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RESOURCE WRAP-UP

July 1, 2024

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EDD Announcements

[New Mexico C-PACE](#)

Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) program assists property owners in obtaining long-term financing for energy efficiency and resiliency improvements. Available now in Albuquerque and Bernalillo County.

[Trails+ Grant](#)

Invests in conservation-minded, shovel-ready projects. Approved projects go beyond trail infrastructure! First round of applications for FY25 closes **September 30, 2024**.

[Requests for Proposals \(RFPs\):](#)

- State Small Business Credit Initiative 2.0 Technical Assistance (SSBCI 2.0 TA) -Proposal Due Date: **July 19**.
- EDD-Grants Administrator - Proposal Due Date: **July 13**

Articles/Links

Business Resources

[Agricultural Workforce Development Program](#)

Offers incentives for agricultural businesses to hire interns. Provides hands-on educational opportunities for students aspiring to careers in agriculture, and young or beginning farmers and ranchers. Applications accepted until funds run out.

[National ACE Capital Readiness Program](#)

Free coaching consultations for small business owners and entrepreneurs to help develop a business plan, pitch to a capital provider, and get connected to loan options.

[Building or Improving a Website Four Part Series:](#)

Learn how to build and maintain a website with GoDaddy and get 2 years of free hosting. Trainings are from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- Tuesday, July 9: Branding 101
- Thursday, July 11: Domain Names and Website Building Essentials
- Tuesday, July 23: Designing a Great

[NMSU Arrowhead Center receives grant to fund four new Sprint Accelerators](#)

[List of resources for victims of Ruidoso wildfires](#)

[CNM's new 'Activator' program offers mentorship opportunities](#)

[EDD prioritizes science and tech industries for economic development](#)

[New Mexico Unemployment Rate 3.8% In May 2024](#)

- Website
- Thursday, July 25: Writing Great Content

[Women's Business Center Application Readiness and Procurement Assistance](#)

Funds organizations establishing Women's Business Centers to assist women entrepreneurs with application readiness for certification in the Women-Owned Small Business and Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Programs, procurement assistance, and entrepreneurial development. **Deadline August 7.**

[NM PTAC: Contract Ready Series](#)

- Part I: 8/2 from 9-11 am *Understanding Solicitations*
- Part II: 8/2 from 1-3 pm *Proposal Writing*
- Part III: 8/9 from 9-11 am *Labor Law Compliance*
- Part IV: 8/9 from 1-3 pm *Estimating and Pricing*
- Part V: 8/23 from 9 am - 12 pm *Contract Administration*

[The Route 66 Extraordinary Women Micro-Grant](#)

Awards up to \$60,000 to businesses and attractions, owned or operated by a woman or a group of women, located along Route 66. The program is part of the Road Ahead Partnership's efforts to celebrate the upcoming Route 66 Centennial. **Deadline: August 26.**

[Solar Energy Supply Chain Incubator FOA](#)

Funds research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) projects that de-risk solar hardware, manufacturing processes, and software products across a wide range of solar technology areas. Activities will support the government-wide approach to the climate crisis through innovative deployment of clean energy technologies. **Deadline: October 8.**

This Week's Highlight: Statewide Strategic Plan Input Request

EDD has worked alongside numerous stakeholders including state agencies like DWS, HED, IAD, EMNRD, regional and local governments, community groups, Tribes, Nations, and Pueblos, and many other organizations and industry leaders to create a [strategic plan](#) and identify action steps for economic growth.

This state plan is not intended to be the final step, but rather to serve as a critical first step for unifying New Mexico's economic development ecosystem. It is a living document, subject to regular updates.

Initially published in 2021, the plan was recently updated to include input and suggestions from stakeholders statewide in June 2023. EDD is currently requesting public input to inform the plan's third iteration.

- [Read more about the Statewide Strategic Plan](#)
- [Learn about our ongoing efforts on the plan \(2021-2024\)](#)
- Offer input utilizing these [guiding questions](#)

[Complete the input form online now.](#)

If you need further assistance, have issues completing the online form, or need to submit larger files, please send your inquiries to Just Transition Advisor [Kayla Lucero](#)

Community Resources

Wildfire Resources

- Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/nmmea-south-fork-and-salt>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SWIMT5>
- Smoke Outlook: <https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook>
- Lincoln County Government: www.lincolncountynm.gov
- Mescalero Apache Tribe: <https://mescaleroapachetribe.com>
- Village of Ruidoso: www.ruidoso-nm.gov/south-fork-fire

Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant

Funds public bodies and private nonprofits to provide technical assistance and/or training in essential community facilities programs and help identify and plan for community facility needs that exist in their area. **Deadline July 3.**

Underserved and Veteran Farmers 2501 Program

Grants to community-based and nonprofit organizations, higher education institutions, and eligible Tribal entities with at least 3 years of experience working with socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers or veteran farmers and ranchers. Informational webinar on June 26. **Deadline: July 5.**

Disability Innovation Fund

Creating a 21st-century workforce of youth and adults with disabilities through the transformation of education, career, and competitive integrated employment. **Deadline: July 8.**

Rural Community Development Initiative

The RCDI structure requires the intermediary (grantee) to provide a program of financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development. Qualified private, nonprofit and public (including Tribal) intermediary organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs will be eligible. **Deadline: July 10.**

Sorenson Impact Foundation 2024 RFP

The Foundation is seeking to support organizations through grants or Program Related Investments (PRIs) that equip the investor community with the knowledge and tools and catalytic capital required to deploy greater and more effective investments in the ownership economy. They promote strategies for home ownership, community real estate, stakeholder trusts, employee ownership, and broad-based entrepreneurship. **Deadline: July 12.**

Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages

The primary objective is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons of low-and moderate-incomes. **Deadline: July 15.**

Revitalize San Pedro Partnership is Hiring

Revitalize San Pedro Partnership (ABQ) is hiring an Executive Director to lead revitalization efforts in collaboration with its board of directors. The ED will be responsible for day-to-day operations and support the board's efforts to move from a New Mexico MainStreet Accelerator designee to a MainStreet America Accredited program. **Apply by July 19.**

Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program

New Mexico licensed teachers working in high-need fields and schools statewide may be eligible for up to \$6,000 per year for two years toward principal debt and interest on federal student loans related to teacher education. **Deadline August 1.**

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program

Funding to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and other alternative fueling infrastructure. This grant program has two tracks:

1. Community Charging and Alternative Fueling Grants (Community Program)
2. Charging and Alternative Fuel Corridor Grants (Corridor Program)

Deadline: August 28.

Composting and Food Waste Reduction Pilot Program

Financial assistance to municipalities, school districts, counties, local governments, special district governments, Tribal governments, or Tribal organizations to carry out food waste reduction and composting objectives. **Deadline: September 4.**

More Upcoming Webinars & Live Events

July 10 and 11 | [**Taxpayer Advocate Service Problem Solving Day**](#) ([en español](#))

Ongoing Webinars:

- [**NM Small Business Administration \(NMSBA\) Events**](#)
- [**NM Small Business Development Center Trainings and Webinars**](#)
- [**NM Tax and Revenue New Businesses and New Employers workshops**](#)
- [**NM Taxation and Revenue overview of business tax programs**](#)
- [**US and Foreign Commercial Service Trade Events**](#)
- [**Albuquerque SCORE Webinars**](#)

On-Demand NM SCORE Webinars:

- [**Get Your Local Business on Google Search and Maps**](#)
- [**Reach Customers Online with Google**](#)

Visit [**our YouTube channel**](#) to view previously recorded EDD webinars.

Have a great resource you want to share with our community?

[**Email your suggestions to our editor**](#) by the Wednesday prior to when you want it to appear. Please be cognizant of dates and deadlines, as we publish the Resource Wrap-Up every other Monday.

Note: Some email platforms will not allow you to access the links in this newsletter.

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