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RESOURCE WRAP-UP

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EDD Announcements

[Trails+ Grant](#)

Supports projects that connect people to nature, promote equitable access to the outdoors, and inspire stewardship of New Mexico's landscapes. **Deadline: March 13.**

[Quantum Technologies Award Pilot Program](#)

\$100,000 grants to early-stage companies working in quantum technologies. Applications accepted on a rolling basis through **May 30.**

[Career Opportunities at EDD](#)

- **Outdoor Recreation Division Grants Coordinator** (Albuquerque) Job ID 152219
- **Economic Development Representative** (Las Cruces) Job ID 152191

Articles/Links

[A Practical Guide to Funding Your Small Business with Business Loans](#)

Business Resources

[B:side Capital and Fund](#)

Offers accessible and affordable capital, grants, and program-related investments for small businesses and entrepreneurs.

[Highlights from the 2025 UNM Business & Economic Summit](#)

On January 14, UNM Rainforest Innovations hosted its annual Business & Economic Summit centered around the theme "New Mexico: a National Leader in Entrepreneurship." Watch the talks, panel sessions, and keynote presentation.

[NM Legal Workshops](#)

A series of legal workshops for small and aspiring business owners.

[Unlock Capital Investment Readiness](#)

Provides tailored assistance to founders and high-growth businesses seeking to attract growth capital. **Deadline: February 28.**

[Artist INC Live Training Seminar](#)

Seminar addresses specific professional and entrepreneurial challenges that artists of all

[and Beyond](#)

[Legislation addressing site readiness for developers clears first hurdle](#)

[New Mexico Creative Industries Division awards \\$1.8M to boost state's creative economy](#)

[Laboratory economic impact 2024: Over \\$1B spent with New Mexico businesses; \\$1.96B in employee salaries](#)

[Legislators want to add trade ports in New Mexico](#)

disciplines face in their practices. 25 artists will be selected for this in-person Albuquerque training. **Apply by March 3 for the May 3 - June 28 seminar.**

[Governor's Awards for Excellence in the Arts](#)

Nominations are being accepted from any New Mexico resident or organization, except for New Mexico Arts Commissioners and New Mexico Arts Division staff. Awardees will be honored at a ceremony on October 16 in Santa Fe. **Deadline: March 17.**

[RDC TEAM Fund](#)

No-interest loans for growth-oriented manufacturing and technology-based businesses based in Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Northern Sandoval, Santa Fe, and Taos Counties.

Information Session: February 26. Deadline: March 17.

[Opportunity Enterprise Financing](#)

Provides low-cost financing for developing commercial facilities, workforce housing, and infrastructure for affordable housing. **Deadline: March 21.**

[Rural Energy for America Program](#)

Provides guaranteed loan financing and grant funding for rural small businesses and agricultural producers to implement renewable energy systems or make energy efficiency improvements.

Deadline: March 31.

[Honeycomb Credit Breakthrough Grant](#)

\$10,000 small business grants. **Deadline: April 11.**

[Value-Added Producer Grant](#)

Assists agricultural producers in starting or expanding value-added activities related to processing and/or marketing. **Deadline: April 17.**

Creative Industries Division Resource Center

The Creative Industries Division's new resource center is now live!

You can use the platform to find resources, small businesses, and creative economy assets across the state.

We also invite you to submit your business or creative venture for inclusion.

And don't forget to sign up for the [Creative Industries Newsletter](#) to stay informed about all the creative news in New Mexico!

[Check out the resource center](#)



Community Resources

[Community Wildfire Defense Grant](#)

Grant supports communities in restoring and maintaining landscapes, creating fire-adapted communities, and improving wildfire responses. **Deadline: February 28.**

[Rural Business Development Grant](#)

Promotes economic development and job creation in rural areas by providing grant funding for either business opportunity grants or business enterprise grants to local, county, and state governments, nonprofits, and Tribal entities. **Deadline: February 28.**

[Main Street Disaster and Resilience Toolkit](#)

Downloadable toolkit to help you plan for, prepare for, and recover from natural disasters in your community. [Free webinar on March 6.](#)

[Santa Fe Community Foundation Spring Grant Cycle](#)

Accepting proposals from organizations serving Santa Fe, Mora, Rio Arriba, and San Miguel Counties. **Deadline: March 9.**

[Cultural Properties Restoration Fund](#)

Up to \$250,000 grants to state agencies and other political subdivisions to fund historic preservation efforts. Guidance webinar on February 26. **Deadline: March 18.**

[NMDA Healthy Soil Program](#)

Provides grants to local government entities with proven land management to support healthy soil to implement projects that support at least one of the five soil health principles: keeping soil covered; minimizing soil disturbance on cropland and minimizing external inputs; maximizing biodiversity; maintaining a living root; integrating animals into land management, including grazing animals, birds, beneficial insects or keystone species, such as earthworms. **Deadline March 19.**

[Promoting Internet Needs of New Mexicans \(PINON\) Grant](#)

Grants from \$25,000-\$500,000 to support subgrantees in enhancing their digital equity programs tailored for populations vulnerable to digital exclusion. **Deadline: March 21.**

[Connectivity to Declared Disaster Areas Grant](#)

Infrastructure grants for broadband deployment to unserved and underserved communities impacted by environmental disasters, including wildfires and floods. **Deadline: March 21.**

[Albuquerque Community Foundation 2025 Annual Grant Cycle](#)

Grants are available in all seven fields of interest:

- Animal Welfare
- Arts & Culture
- Economic & Workforce Development
- Education
- Environmental & Historic Preservation
- Health
- Human Services

Deadline: March 27.

[T-Mobile Hometown Grant](#)

Up to 100 small towns will receive placemaking project funding of up to \$50,000 each for a town project of your choice. **Deadline: March 31.**

[The New Mexico Tourism Department FY26 Grant Programs](#)

- **Cooperative Marketing Grant Program:** eligible entities must complete the online Partner Priorities & Situation Assessment Survey by **February 26.**

- **Clean and Beautiful Grant Program:** funding and technical assistance for local governments on litter eradication, waste reduction, and community beautification. **Informational webinar: February 28. Deadline: April 4.**
- **Tourism Event Growth and Sustainability Grant Program:** technical assistance, marketing, and sponsorship to qualified tourism events. **Informational webinar: March 14. Deadline: April 17.**

[Community Connect Grant Program](#)

Financial assistance to entities that will provide broadband services in rural, economically challenged communities. **Deadline: April 21.**

More Upcoming Webinars & Live Events

- Feb 25 | [Visualize Your Success: Strategic Planning Tools](#)
- Feb 25 | [Route 66 Centennial Coordination Group Special Meeting](#) (11am in Santa Fe)
- Feb 26 | [RDC TEAM Fund Information Session](#)
- Feb 28 | [Black Business Summit](#)
- Feb 28 | [Clean and Beautiful Grant Application Webinar](#)
- Mar 4 | [Innovate New Mexico Technology Showcase](#) (Albuquerque)
- Mar 6 | [Sandia National Laboratories Small Business Forum](#)
- Mar 6 | [Main Street Disaster and Resilience Toolkit Webinar](#)
- Mar 7 | [New Mexico MainStreet #LearnGrants Online Summit 2025](#)
- Mar 11 | [Business Formation & Operating Documents](#) (Roswell)
- Mar 14 | [Tourism Event Growth & Sustainability Program Grant Application Webinar](#)

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](#)

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.

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