

NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

RESOURCE WRAP-UP

March 10, 2024

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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.**

<u>Creative Industries Business</u> Development & Expansion Grant

Grants for creative businesses and organizations that support creative companies and workers. **Deadline: March 30.**

<u>Quantum Technologies Award Pilot</u> Program

\$100,000 grants to early-stage companies working in quantum technologies.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis through May 30.

Articles/Links

New Mexico Economic Development's JEDI Office Publishes Outcomes

Business Resources

NM Legal Workshops

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

Enterprise University Skill Development Program

No-cost live and interactive webinars from introductory to executive levels to sharpen your business acumen. Courses run from **March 11 - May 21**.

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. **Deadline: March 17.**

Report

BorderPlex Digital Assets Plans Santa Teresa, New Mexico, Operations

New Mexico leads in Tech Sector

Laid-off federal workers in New Mexico urged to apply for unemployment benefits

Sunbelt Project supporter: 'Our region needs healthier alternatives to fossil fuel operations'

Opportunity Enterprise Financing

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

Scale Up NM TechSprints

Online accelerator for tech startups looking to enhance their sales and marketing strategies using generative AI. Runs from April 10 - May 15. **Deadline: March 28.**

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.**

The Future of New Mexico Arts Cooperatives Workshop

April 18, 2025 in Santa Fe

As New Mexico continues to invest in its vibrant creative industries, we invite you to be at the forefront of shaping the future of our state's artistic landscape.

This workshop offers a rare opportunity to explore and envision the potential of arts cooperatives in fostering a thriving creative economy.

Your participation will contribute to the state's efforts to become a creative sector leader among global cities and a major force in New Mexico's economy.



Register online

Community Resources

NM Catalog of Local Assistance Programs

Contains programs administered by the State of New Mexico and the US Federal Government for municipalities, counties, Tribes and Pueblos, special districts, nonprofits, and private businesses.

Downloadable toolkit to help you plan for, prepare for, and recover from natural disasters in your community.

Cultural Properties Restoration Fund

Up to \$250,000 grants to state agencies and other political subdivisions to fund historic preservation efforts. **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.

NM State Historic Preservation Conference: Call for Presenters

The conference will feature speakers focusing on the many aspects of historic preservation including relevance, sustainability, affordable housing, gentrification, cultural preservation, preservation law, funding, and case studies. **Speaker deadline: March 28.**

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

- Clean and Beautiful Grant Program: funding and technical assistance for local governments on litter eradication, waste reduction, and community beautification. 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.

Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities

Federal grants for Tribal and local governments for hazard mitigation activities that promote climate adaptation and resilience. **Deadline: April 18.**

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

Mar 11 | Business Formation & Operating Documents (Roswell)

Mar 11 | <u>Understanding Nontaxable Transaction Certificates (NTTC) and how does it apply to my business</u>

Mar 13 | Intellectual Property Considerations (Silver City)

Mar 14 | Tourism Event Growth & Sustainability Program Grant Application Webinar

Mar 20 | Equity, Valuation, and Tax Strategy: Navigating Priced Rounds and Entity

Structures for Growth (Albuquerque)

Mar 20 | Resources for Small Businesses (Farmington)

Mar 26 | Using Canva with Confidence, Part 2. Business Materials!

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
- <u>US and Foreign Commercial Service Trade Events</u>
- Albuquerque SCORE Webinars

Visit <u>our YouTube channel</u> to view previously recorded EDD webinars.

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

<u>Email your suggestions to our editor</u> 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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