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## State seeks public members for new Technology & Innovation Board

**SANTA FE** — The New Mexico Economic Development Department is seeking applicants for a new advisory board to help shape the state's growing technology and innovation sectors.

Community and industry leaders are invited to join the new Technology and Innovation Network Advisory Board, established by House Bill 20 and signed into law by Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham on April 9. The board will help shape the future of the state's tech economy by guiding strategic planning for the newly created Technology and Innovation Division.

The board will provide recommendations, ensure active engagement between the state and relevant private sectors, and assist with administering the Research, Development, and Deployment Fund.

The department seeks board representatives with diverse backgrounds and interests, including skilled tradespeople, economic development professionals, Indigenous community members, venture capitalists, and others. Members must be available to meet at least quarterly and are expected to actively participate, including serving on relevant subcommittees. The board's work is expected to begin by September 1, 2025.

Board members will be appointed by the Economic Development Department Cabinet Secretary Rob Black. <u>Interested parties can apply online by June 30</u> at forms.monday.com/forms/2f495eb8777719fd6f789e675dobe4ad?r=use1

The state is seeking New Mexico representatives from:

- skilled trades associations
- regional economic development organizations
- Indian nations, Tribes, or Pueblos
- private equity industries with at least five years of relevant experience
- venture capital industries with at least five years of relevant experience
- private sector business owners who cannot be classified as a representative of employers or employees
- business incubators or accelerators with at least five years of relevant experience
- aerospace and space sector who are industry alliance members or have at least five years of relevant experience
- bioscience sector who are industry alliance members or have at least five years of relevant experience
- clean energy and water sector who are industry alliance members or have at least five years of relevant experience
- advanced computing sector who are industry alliance members or have at least five years of relevant experience

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