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## **Seven NM districts win grants for economic development** *Resilient Communities Fund targets rural and underserved communities*

**SANTA FE** — NM MainStreet and the NM Resiliency Alliance awarded Resilient Communities Fund seed grants to economic development projects in seven MainStreet districts.

Created in 2014 in partnership with the McCune Charitable Foundation, the Resilient Communities Fund provides seed grants that can be leveraged to attain additional matching resources. Awarded projects are designed to engage local volunteers for meaningful community projects and boost local economic vitality.

“These projects make a positive impact on our state’s economic landscape,” said EDD Secretary **Rob Black**. “They are essential in providing support on a hyper-local level and driving economic growth in communities that need it most.”

For every dollar in grant funding awarded from 2014 to 2023, \$3.72 in cash and in-kind contributions is leveraged by its grant recipients. Since 2020, a total of 640 businesses across New Mexico have benefited from NMRA grants.

“These community projects strengthen local partnerships and support small businesses,” said NM MainStreet Director **Daniel J. Gutierrez**. “The funds will go a long way in making a positive impact on the economic health of New Mexico.”

“I’m thrilled to see local districts put these projects into action,” said New Mexico Resiliency Alliance Board President **Lucas Pedraza**. “These innovative ideas will make positive contributions to the local economy and small businesses.”

*2025 Resilient Communities Fund grantees and projects:*

1. [Barelas MainStreet](#): El Taco de México
2. [Clayton-Union County Economic Development Partnership](#): Let's Restore Phase 2
3. [Grants MainStreet](#): Façade & Signage Partnership Program
4. [Los Alamos MainStreet](#): MainStreet Marketplace
5. [Raton MainStreet](#): Windows of Opportunity
6. [MainStreet Truth or Consequences](#): T or C Curb Appeal
7. [Tucumcari MainStreet](#): Tucumcari Alley Art

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**New Mexico MainStreet** develops local capacity to engage people, rebuild places, and grow the entrepreneurial, creative, and business environment, resulting in economically thriving downtowns, greater business and employment opportunities, and a higher quality of life. NMMS is a program of the New Mexico Economic Development Department and was founded in 1984. They currently serve 32 MainStreet and 13 Arts & Cultural Districts. Learn more at [nmmainstreet.org](http://nmmainstreet.org).



The **Marshall L. and Perrine D. McCune Charitable Foundation** is dedicated to enriching the health, education, environment, cultural, and spiritual life of New

Mexicans. The foundation memorializes its benefactors through proactive grantmaking that seeks to foster positive social change. Learn more at [nmmccune.org](http://nmmccune.org).



The **New Mexico Resiliency Alliance** is a nonprofit organization working to strengthen the capacity of communities to adapt and thrive in a changing economy. The alliance partners with philanthropy and community-minded donors to mobilize resources for locally driven, community economic development activities throughout New Mexico. Learn more at [nmresiliencyalliance.org](http://nmresiliencyalliance.org).



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*EDD's mission is to improve the lives of New Mexico families by increasing economic opportunities and providing a place for businesses to thrive. EDD's programs contribute directly to this mission by funding workforce training and infrastructure that supports business growth, helping every community create a thriving economy.*

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