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## NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# RESOURCE WRAP-UP

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## EDD Announcements

### EDD Job Openings:

#### **Exec Secretary/Admin Assistant**

Full Time/Santa Fe

Job ID 135934

Posting End Date: 8/14/23

Spaceport Aerospace Engineer

Full Time/Spaceport Authority

Job ID 136155

Posting End Date: 8/22/23

### Creative Industries Opportunities

#### **Request for Proposals - Creative Industries Division Study**

EDD is soliciting proposals from a qualified organization or person to develop a Creative Industries Division Study. **Deadline August 21, 2023.**

#### **Request for Projects - Creative Industries Division Funding Opportunity**

EDD announces a Call for Projects to provide funding for local government projects and

## Business Resources

### Science & Tech Business Startup Grants

Grants of \$10,000-\$25,000 available to New Mexico-based for-profit science or technology companies in the one of the following industry sectors - aerospace, biosciences, cybersecurity, intelligent manufacturing, or sustainable and green energy. **Deadline: September 4.**

### Northern New Mexico Small Business Conference

The conference will include keynote speakers, workshops, trainings, networking, resources, and more for the small business community. **August 24 at Luna Community College, Las Vegas.**

### 1 Hotels Fellowship at E2

Invests in young entrepreneurs and emerging business leaders with projects that accelerate smart climate policies. The fellowship will award \$20,000 each to 6 early- and mid-level professionals. **Deadline: September 5.**

programs that demonstrate the potential to stimulate community or economic development through creative industries.

#### Science and Technology Business Startup Grant

Grants of \$10,000-\$25,000 available to small Science and Tech companies.

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## Articles/Links

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#### New Mexico Set for Second Commercial Space Tourism Launch at Spaceport America

#### New Mexico film industry wages reach record high

#### State seeks proposals, public input on creative industries

#### MVEDA surpasses economic development goals for county

#### New Mexico aerospace coalition gets a step closer to federal funding

#### The Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Program (SBIR/STTR) - Phase 1

Supports small businesses in the creation of innovative, disruptive technologies and enables the application of research advancements from conception to market. STTR aims to foster technology transfer through cooperative R&D between small businesses and nonprofit research institutions. **Deadline: September 19.**

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#### New Mexico Environment Department Funding Opportunities

Opportunities available for sustainable business funding needs. If your organization is looking to improve sustainability, lower its carbon footprint, or reduce water usage, [schedule a meeting](#).

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#### Hyperspace Challenge

The U.S. Space Force's Space Rapid Capabilities Office is looking for companies with proven track records and mature technologies to help protect space assets from threats.

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#### Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Program

Guaranteed loan financing and grant funding to agricultural producers and rural small businesses for renewable energy systems or energy efficiency improvements.

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## This Week's Highlight: Creative Industry Division Opportunities

### **Request for Proposals: Creative Industries Division Study**

EDD is soliciting proposals from a qualified organization or person to develop a **Creative Industries Division Study**.

EDD seeks a contractor to work with its team to develop a statewide plan for the Creative Industries Division that includes viable program models, implementation partners, projected budgets, and an analysis of creative industry opportunities within the state.

Submit questions to [Shani.Harvie@edd.nm.gov](mailto:Shani.Harvie@edd.nm.gov)

### **Call for Projects: Creative Industries Division**

EDD announces a Call for Projects to provide funding for local government projects and programs that demonstrate the potential to stimulate community or economic development through creative industries.

Funds may be awarded in the form of an IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement) to a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state, an Indian nation, or a federally/state recognized Tribe or pueblo.

Submit questions to [Lucas.Pedraza@edd.nm.gov](mailto:Lucas.Pedraza@edd.nm.gov)

- Deadline for both the CFP and RFP: **August 21, 2023**
- [For more information, visit the Creative Industries webpage](#)

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## Community Resources

### [New Mexico Outdoor Equity Fund](#)

Supports transformative outdoor experiences that foster stewardship and respect for New Mexico's lands, waters, and cultural heritage. Applicants must plan to engage low-income youth in nature-based outdoor recreation activities, serve a population where at least 40% are low-income youth, and include some of type climate/environment education plan. **Deadline: December 31.**

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### [Outdoor Recreation Trails+ Grant](#)

Invests in conservation-minded shovel-ready projects that show demonstrable benefit to the local community, either by attracting/retaining residents or attracting visitors. The project must be open for public use (projects on Tribal lands do not have to be open to the public but should be open to Tribal members). Join the August 23 virtual meeting at 5pm. **Deadline: Open until all funds are expended, apply early.**

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### [The Rural Healthcare Delivery Fund](#)

Defrays operating losses, including rural health care provider or rural health care facility startup costs incurred in providing new or expanded health services. Informational webinars on August 17 and 18.

**Applications accepted from August 21- October 6.**

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### **New Mexico WIOA State Plan Public Input Forums**

Two-hour virtual forums for the public to gain feedback on how the state can better support people in their pursuit of meaningful education, training, and employment opportunities. Participant feedback will inform the development of New Mexico's 2024-2028 State Plan for Workforce Development.

- [Session 1: August 14 at 11am](#)
  - [Session 2: August 15 at 9am](#)
  - [Session 3: August 16 at 3pm](#)
  - [Session 4: August 17 at 2pm](#)
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### [Arts & The Military 2024 Mini Grants](#)

Funding opportunity for arts and veteran-focused organizations to create or expand opportunities for veterans and active-duty service members to engage with the arts. Proposed projects should serve military and veteran audiences. **Deadline: October 6.**

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### [Empowering Rural America Program](#)

Provides rural utilities services with loan and grant funds to achieve the greatest reduction in greenhouse gas emissions while advancing the long-term resiliency, reliability, and affordability of rural electric systems. **Deadline: September 15.**

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### [Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas Fixed Award Grant Program](#)

Provides financial investment, technical assistance, and other resources to advance clean energy demonstrations and energy solutions that benefit rural and remote communities. **Deadline: October 12.**

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### [Community Wildfire Defense Grant](#)

Assists at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. **Deadline: Oct. 3.**

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### [EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program](#)

Designed to meet the full range of communities' and regions' economic development needs from planning and technical assistance to construction of infrastructure. **Applications accepted year round.**

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### [Single Family Housing Section 504 Home Repair Loans and Grants in Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas \(PDDAs\) Pilot Program](#)

The Rural Housing Service is issuing this notification to waive four regulatory requirements for the pilot program. The Agency's intention is to evaluate the existing regulations and remove regulatory barriers to assist eligible applicants in PDDAs to improve the program usage for very-low-income homeowners that are seeking to repair their damaged homes. This notification briefly discusses the four waivers and provides contact information for additional details about the pilot.

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### [Underserved and Indigenous Community Microgrids](#)

Specifically focused to conduct research, development and demonstrations (RD&D) to develop and implement replicable microgrid solutions for underserved and Indigenous communities in remote and islanded regions throughout the US. **Deadline: September 15.**

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### [Solar for All](#)

Awards up to 60 grants to states, territories, Tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits to expand the number of low-income and disadvantaged communities primed for distributed solar investment. Grantees will use funds to expand existing low-income solar programs or design and deploy new Solar for All programs nationwide. **Deadline: September 26.**

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### [Neighborhood Access and Equity Program](#)

Supports economically disadvantaged or underserved communities in planning, capital construction activities, and regional partnerships that aim to restore community connectivity through the removal, retrofit, mitigation, or replacement of highways, roadways, or other infrastructure facilities that create barriers to mobility, access, or economic development. **Deadline: September 28.**

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### [Affordable Connectivity Program](#)

Provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

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## More Upcoming Webinars & Events

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August 19 | [Basics of Starting a Business](#)

August 23 | [UNM-Los Alamos Business Scholars Luncheon: Film Industry](#)

August 29 | [STARTUP FIESTA! Success Story Edition](#)

August 30 | [2023 DisrupTECH & Feynman Awards](#)

#### 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](#)

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- [Get Your Local Business on Google Search and Maps](#)
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[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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