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NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WEEKLY RESOURCE WRAP-UP

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UPCOMING WEBINARS AND EVENTS

Procurement Series

Every Thurs. at 3 pm (began on Jan. 21, runs through Feb. 25)

[See series schedule and register](#)

Paycheck Protection Program

Re-Launch Overview

February 3 at 3 pm

[Register](#)

USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP)

February 4 at 11 am

[Register](#)

One Albuquerque: 2021 Youth Job & Volunteer Fair

February 6 at 10 am (ages 14-25) - Apply for jobs by Feb. 5

[Register](#)

USDA Webinar: FY 2021 Strategic Economic and Community

COVID-19 Recovery Resources

NEW! Small Business Grants COVID-19 Relief: Where to Find Free Money

Whether you're looking for grants to help you weather the rest of the COVID-19 pandemic or are just looking for a small business grant to take your company to the next level, you'll find many options here.

[Learn More](#)

NEW! The Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation's Quality of Life Grants

The COVID-19: Addressing Social Isolation track is designed to address social isolation during the COVID-19 pandemic, with the goal of enhancing connectedness of people living with paralysis and their caregivers. Grants ranging from \$25,000 to \$50,000. **Deadline: March 16.**

[Learn More](#)

UPDATED! Shuttered Venue

Development (SECD) Funding Opportunity

February 9 at 2 pm

[Register](#)

USDA Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant

February 16 at 12 pm

[Register](#)

WESST Farmington Training Conversations and Connections: Virtual Networking Meeting

February 17 at 2 pm

[Register](#)

ACE/AES Export Compliance Seminar

February 23-24

[Register](#)

Introduction to Government Contracting

February 26 at 11:30 am

[Register](#)

EmpowHer Forum: Driving Women Empowerment Principles for Locally Women-Owned Businesses

March 5 at 9 am

[Register](#)

What Is Outdoor Recreation 1.0

March 13 at 10 am

[Register](#)

Local On Demand SCORE Webinars:

- [PPP Loan Forgiveness Application Requirements](#)
- [Economic Injury Disaster Loan](#)

[N.M. Tax and Revenue New Businesses and New Employers workshops](#)

ARTICLES/LINKS

[Legislature: Economic Security Bill Introduced By Rep. Christine Chandler Aims To Bring Back Employees](#)

[These 540 Doña Ana County businesses received CARES Act relief grants](#)

[New Mexico Outdoor Recreation director set to co-chair multi-state effort to boost outdoor economy](#)

[PPP demand driven by New Mexico](#)

Operators Grant (SVOG)

SVOG is a federal economic assistance program for arts organizations, administered through the Small Business Administration. If you are a theatrical producer, talent rep, venue promoter, operate a live venue, live performing arts organization, movie house, or cultural institution you may be eligible to apply.

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[View the SBA Webinar](#)

[View the EDD Webinar](#)

REMINDER: New Mexico Safe Certified Training Programs

New Mexico businesses in all sectors are encouraged to receive training in COVID-safe practices to help ensure everyone's safety as New Mexico reopens for business and recreation.

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CARES Act Provider Relief Fund

The Provider Relief Fund supports families, workers, and the heroic healthcare providers in the battle against COVID-19. HHS is distributing \$178 billion to hospitals and healthcare providers on the front lines of the coronavirus response.

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Poetry Organization Emergency Grants

The Poetry Foundation's Emergency Grants Fund supports poetry and affiliated art organizations struggling during the COVID-19 pandemic. This fund is open to poetry organizations and organizations that use poetry as an expression of their missions. This includes organizations fighting for social justice and working to advance racial equity in poetry and affiliated art.

Deadlines: January 31 and March 31.

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NDC Accepting PPP Applications

The National Development Council's (NDC) Grow America Fund is taking applications for Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) First Draw and Second Draw Loans.

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PPP Resumed on Jan 11

1st and 2nd draw PPP loans resumed on Jan 11 with some updated rules. For application assistance, go to the [NM Small Business Development Center website](#).

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[companies hit the hardest by the pandemic](#)

[New IRS Notice Extends Several Opportunity Zone Deadlines](#)

[Albuquerque again ranked No. 1 for filmmaking](#)

[Spaceport America Podcast Number 1: New Mexico is a Place for Space](#)

[For the economy to restart, everyone must have the opportunity to participate](#)

EIDL Deadline

The U.S. Small Business Administration announced that the deadline to apply for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program for the COVID-19 Pandemic disaster declaration is extended to Dec. 31, 2021.

[Learn More](#)

Emergency Rental Assistance Program

The Emergency Rental Assistance program makes available \$25 billion to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds are provided directly to states, U.S. Territories, local governments, and Indian tribes. Grantees use the funds to provide assistance to eligible households through existing or newly created rental assistance programs.

[Learn More](#)

Restoration and Resilience COVID Recovery Fund

The Restoration and Resilience COVID Recovery Fund is providing grants to support public lands, including parks, nature areas, and other green spaces, that have been impacted by increased use during the COVID-19 pandemic. The focus is on supporting agencies and organizations responsible for maintaining public lands by distributing resources and mobilizing volunteers to help keep up with increased human presence in these delicate ecosystems. Grants of up to \$2,500 will be awarded. Nonprofit organizations, state or federal government agencies, federally recognized tribes and local governments, and educational institutions are eligible to apply. **Deadlines: February 1, April 1, and June 1.**

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TRIBAL RESOURCE: Chamiza Foundation Covid-19 Emergency Relief Fund

The Chamiza Foundation is accepting applications from Pueblo Indian organizations and organizations serving Pueblo communities in New Mexico that are responding to direct threats from COVID-19. The grant awards will range from \$3,000 to \$12,000. Specific areas of interest include food, medical supplies, and personal items; water; community relief and recovery needs; and internet access and connectivity. **Deadlines: February 12 and May 7.**

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This Week's Highlight: Small Business Administration (SBA) Resources



U.S. Small Business
Administration

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): Small Business Guidance & Loan Resources](#)

SBA offers several different [relief options](#) to help businesses, nonprofits, and faith-based organizations recover from the impacts of COVID-19:

- [Paycheck Protection Program \(PPP\)](#):

- [First Draw PPP Loans](#)
- [Second Draw PPP Loans](#)

- [COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loans \(EIDL\)](#)

- [Express Bridge loans](#)

- [SBA Debt Relief](#) (for existing borrowers)

SBA is preparing to offer:

- [Shuttered Venue Operators Grants](#)
- [Targeted EIDL Advance \(limited eligibility\)](#)

Additional Business Resources

NEW! REAP Energy Audit & Renewable Energy Development Assistance

USDA Rural Development is now accepting applications for the Rural Energy for America Program Renewable Energy Systems & Energy Efficiency Improvements (REAP RES/EEI). REAP provides funding to eligible applicants to make energy efficiency improvements or install renewable energy systems for their operations. **Deadline: March 31.**

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NEW! TRIBAL RESOURCE: Native Arts and Cultures Foundation (NACF)

NACF is dedicated to the perpetuation of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian arts and cultures nationwide. It is currently offering the following new programs:

SHIFT—Transformative Change and Indigenous Arts program supports artist and community-driven projects responding to social, environmental, or economic justice issues through a Native lens. Up to ten projects will receive two-year grants totaling \$100,000 as well as other support services. Native artists or Native artist collectives, in partnership with partner organizations (nonprofit organizations, for-profit businesses, or tribal agencies), are eligible to apply.

LIFT—Early Career Support for Native Artists provides one-year grants of up to \$10,000 to early career Native artists to help them develop and realize new projects.

Deadline for both programs: March 16.

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Next Phase of Comcast RISE

Comcast is accepting applications for the next phase of RISE. If your business qualifies, you'll have the opportunity to receive one or more of the following business services:

- Marketing and advertising consultations
- Media placements over a 90-day period
- Commercial creative production services
- Technology services from Effectv and/or Comcast Business

Deadline: February 7.

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Biorefinery, Renewable Chemical, and Biobased Product Manufacturing Assistance Program

This program provides loan guarantees up to \$250 million to assist in the development, construction, and retrofitting of new and emerging technologies. These technologies are advanced biofuels, renewable chemicals, and biobased products.

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Ascent Learning Program for Women Entrepreneurs

Ascent is a first-of-its-kind, free digital e-learning platform geared to help women entrepreneurs grow and expand their businesses. Ascent has valuable content, such as tips on preparing and recovering from disasters, strategic marketing, and business financial strategy development.

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USDA Value-Added Producer Grants

The objective of this grant program is to assist viable Independent Producers, Agricultural Producer Groups, Farmer and Rancher Cooperatives, and Majority-Controlled Producer-Based Businesses in starting or expanding value-added activities related to the processing and/or marketing of Value-Added Agricultural Products. Grants will be awarded competitively for either planning or working capital projects directly related to the processing and/or marketing of value-added products. All proposals must demonstrate economic viability and sustainability to compete for funding.

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Additional Community Resources

NEW! National Trust Preservation Funds (NTPF)

Grants from NTPF support on-going preservation work and provide seed money for preservation projects. These grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for preservation projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. **Deadline: February 1.**

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NEW! Blooming Prairie Foundation

The Blooming Prairie Foundation is dedicated to promoting innovative ideas and practices in the area of organic and natural foods in order to further the health of people, the planet, and the cooperative business model. The Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations that conduct any of the following activities: developmental, research, and educational efforts in the organic industry and the cooperative community; the development of organic and natural products; and cooperative development in the natural products industry. **Deadline is March 1.**

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NEW! Citizens' Institute on Rural Design (CIRD)

The goal of CIRD is to enhance the quality of life and economic viability of rural America through planning, design, and creative placemaking. Through the **Local Design Workshops track**, up to four communities will be selected to participate in an on-site rural design workshop. The workshops will bring together local residents and leaders from nonprofits, community organizations, and government agencies to develop actionable solutions to the community's specific design challenge. Each workshop includes a \$6,000 stipend to the host community. In addition, up to 15 rural communities will be selected to participate in the **Design Learning Cohort track**. Rural community leaders from government, nonprofits, local businesses, and civic organizations will be invited to gather together for learning, training, and support to make their community's vision a reality. **Deadline: March 12.**

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NEW! The Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program, Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program, and the Homeless Female Veterans' and Veterans' with Families Program

These programs support services to reintegrate homeless veterans into the labor force by placing them into family-sustaining employment and to stimulate the development of effective service delivery

systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans. Grant recipients will provide an array of client-centered services utilizing a case management approach that directly assists homeless veterans and provides critical linkages to a variety of support services available in their local communities. **Deadline: March 1.**

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Brighter Future Fund

The Brighter Future Fund is a statewide grant program ensuring that philanthropic funds are invested strategically in communities throughout New Mexico. The first grant round of 2021 will focus on the Northern New Mexico; future rounds in 2021 will focus on Central and Southern New Mexico. Organizations located in the following counties are eligible to apply for this round: San Juan, Rio Arriba, Taos, Colfax, Union, McKinley, Los Alamos, Santa Fe, Mora, Harding, Cibola, San Miguel, Guadalupe, and Quay. Grants will range from \$5,000 - \$10,000.

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Smart Cities Council's Readiness Challenge for Cities

The Readiness Challenge for Cities is aimed at helping cities prepare critical foundational components that can help drive implementation. The challenge will open to any city beginning on February 1 and will provide a range of technical assistance and peer support.

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Workforce Pathways for Youth Grant Program

The purpose of this program is to increase alignment between workforce and OST programs (an OST organization is a non-profit that operates a supervised program that young people regularly attend when school is not in session) to expand job training and workforce pathways for youth and disconnected youth, including soft skills, career exploration, job readiness and certification, summer jobs, year-round jobs, and apprenticeships. **Deadline: February 4.**

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Andrew Family Foundation

The Andrew Family Foundation seeks to partner with one or more nonprofit organizations offering creative solutions that address issues facing under-resourced communities as well as the protection and preservation of the natural environment in which they live. The Foundation seeks to support organizations focused on alleviating disparities in food access, affordable housing, high quality education, physical and psychological healthcare, and/or criminal justice. Preference will be given to organizations whose programming is intersectional, alleviating these disparities while demonstrating an interest to conserve our planet's natural resources and promote environmental sustainability. The foundation will award grant(s) of up to \$600,000 to be paid over a three-year period. The annual program budget for applying organizations should be \$1 million to \$4 million. **Letters of inquiry are due by March 15; deadline for invited full proposals is May 1.**

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Visionary Freedom Fund

The Visionary Freedom Fund seeks to ensure that Black, Brown, and Indigenous (BIPOC) youth impacted by the youth justice system have the resources, capacity, infrastructure, and relationships they need to develop and implement inspiring long-term, visionary change in their communities. Grants ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000 will support organizations where leadership is impacted by the carceral state, criminal legal system, and/or systems of criminalization. Applying organizations must have young people in decision-making leadership roles. General operating grants are provided, with an emphasis on funding for organizations that are often left out of traditional philanthropic giving. **Deadline: February 26.**

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Nature's Path: Gardens for Good

The Nature's Path Gardens for Good program supports nonprofit organizations with community

garden projects. The focus is on community gardens that make fresh organic food more accessible in the local neighborhood. Grants must be used specifically for the development of an organic garden that will supply food to a nonprofit feeding agency such as a food bank, soup kitchen, emergency pantry, shelter, before- or after-school program, or other similar program. Nature's Path will award 21 grants of \$5,000 each. **The application cycle will be open from February 5 to March 24 .**

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Dollar General Literacy Foundation

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation supports nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and libraries that offer literacy programs in communities served by Dollar General. The Foundation provides support through the following grant programs: Adult Literacy Grants, Family Literacy Grants, and Summer Reading Grants. **Deadline: February 18.**

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North American Wetlands Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants Program

The North American Wetlands Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants Program offers matching grants to support public-private partnerships carrying out projects that further the goals of the act. Projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, enhancement, or establishment of wetland and associated upland habitats to benefit migratory birds. **Deadlines: February 26 and July 9.**

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Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program

The Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program supports fire prevention programs and firefighter health and safety research and development. Categories of support include activities designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate incidences of death and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards, and research and development activities aimed at improving firefighter safety. The program is open to fire departments; national, regional, state, local, tribal, and nonprofit organizations, such as academic institutions; public health and occupational health organizations; and injury prevention institutions. **Deadline: February 26.**

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Albuquerque Community Foundation Grant Program

The Albuquerque Community Foundation is currently accepting applications for the 2021 Competitive Grant Program in the following fields of interest: Arts & Culture, Education, and Environmental & Historic Preservation.

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TRIBAL RESOURCE: Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations Nutrition Education (FDPNE) Grant Program

Nutrition education should focus on how USDA Foods in the FDPIR food package may be used to contribute to a healthy diet. The Indian Tribal Organization (ITO) or State Agency (SA) shall work with appropriate organizations and partners such as: extension agents, registered dietitians, diabetes coordinators, and public health nutrition professionals to provide food and nutrition information, recipes, or cooking demonstrations for households who participate or are eligible to participate in the FDPIR program.

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Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRLF)

DWSRLF finances drinking water projects through the New Mexico Finance Authority. Project Interest Forms are welcome anytime, however, to take full advantage of the DWSRLF's limited annual principal forgiveness subsidy, you must submit your Project Interest Form by **February 8**. Once you submit your Project Interest Form, a community services team member will contact you to walk you through the application process and help ensure your project qualifies for funding.

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Henry Luce Foundation Theology Program

The Henry Luce Foundation's Theology Program is inviting inquiries for collaborative, experimental, and field-shaping initiatives that enliven the practice of public scholarship on—and promote public understanding of—race, justice, and religion in America. The focus is on projects that seek to rethink understandings of religion and race in America, imagine alternative possibilities, and alter the terms of public discourse. Seminaries and divinity schools, colleges and universities, and other institutions and organizations committed to enriching public discourse on this topic are eligible to apply. Collaborative engagement across sectors and contexts—including religious, academic, media, policy, activist, and/or art communities—is particularly encouraged. Grant requests ranging from \$250,000 to \$750,000 will be considered. **Letters of inquiry must be submitted by February 15, invited proposals will be due June 15.**

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Bank of America Charitable Foundation

In 2021, the Foundation will issue two requests for proposals that address the following focus areas:

The Economic Mobility Focused on the Needs of Individuals and Families category provides support for workforce development, education, and basic needs. **Applications will be accepted from January 25 through February 19, 2021.**

The Economic Mobility Focused on the Needs of the Community category provides support for affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization, and small businesses. **Applications will be accepted from May 31 through June 25, 2021.**

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NPS Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program

The National Park Service is accepting applications for technical assistance to design trails and parks, conserve and improve access to rivers, protect special places, and create recreation opportunities. **Deadline: March 1.**

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Recent Webinar Recordings

[Overview of International Trade Resources](#) (1/27/21)

[Update on the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant \(SVOG\)](#) (1/26/21)

[SBA's Paycheck Protection Program Round Two Updates](#) (1/15/21)

To see a full list of upcoming webinars and links to more previously recorded webinars:

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