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New Mexico All Together – State of New Mexico COVID-19 response

The New Mexico Coalition of Community Foundations spearheaded and will coordinate the fund. Its member organizations include: the Albuquerque Community Foundation, the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, the Santa Fe Community Foundation and the Taos Community Foundation. These organizations will, in turn, work with the larger philanthropic community across New Mexico and consult with the State of New Mexico to determine the most urgent needs to be addressed through grant making from the All Together NM Fund.

The Fund will provide a phased response to the pandemic, beginning with immediate needs in New Mexico communities, including:

- Procurement of food and medical and cleaning supplies for at-risk communities;
- Support for childcare workers who are supporting front-line employees; and
- Grants to address income insecurity among smaller businesses and employees affected by COVID-19 disruptions.

The grant making process will shift to address income insecurity among affected workers and businesses and to fill gaps left by the government response. The fund will also support recovery efforts.

Website: <https://santa-fe-community-foundation.snwbll.com/all-together-nm-fund#action>

New Mexico Small Business Investment Corporation (NMSBIC)

At its March 23, 2020 meeting, NMSBIC committed up to \$25 million to its lending partners to assist New Mexico businesses that have been impacted by market disruption related to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Loan Fund, a nonprofit organization that offers business loans and lines of credit up to \$500,000 throughout New Mexico. Website: www.loanfund.org. Call (505) 243-3196 or info@loanfund.org

DreamSpring, a nonprofit organization that increases access to business credit, offers loans, and provides training throughout New Mexico. Website: www.dreamspring.org. Call (800) 508-7624 or info@dreamspring.org

LiftFund, a nonprofit organization that provides education and capital up to \$500,000 to business owners and entrepreneurs in Southern New Mexico. Website: www.liftfund.com. Call (888) 215-2373 or info@liftfund.com

Homewise, a nonprofit organization that provides business real estate loans up to \$375,000 in Santa Fe and Albuquerque. Website: <https://homewise.org/>. Call (505) 469-6195 or jgilligan@homewise.org

New Mexico Economic Development Department

Webinar: Information and Resources for Businesses

https://gonm.biz/uploads/documents/COVID_%2800000003%29.pdf

COVID-19 Business Loan Guarantee Program

The Economic Development Department (EDD) has created a program to assist businesses seeking emergency loans or lines of credit to deal with negative economic impacts from COVID-19. EDD can guarantee a portion of a loan or line of credit up to 80% of principal or \$50,000. Loan proceeds are flexible and can be used for (and not limited to) the following: working capital, inventory, and payroll.

Lenders and borrowers can [apply online](#), for more information contact <mailto:EDD-Finance@state.nm.us>, 505-469-6204 or mark.roper@state.nm.us, 575-562-0327.

Local Economic Development Act (LEDA)

LEDA is a signature program at the EDD that provides grants to help economic development-based businesses pay for land, buildings, and infrastructure to relocate or expand. Under the Statewide Public Health Emergency declaration, Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham has authorized the EDD to make no-interest loans from LEDA to assist COVID-19 impacted businesses. The loans are limited to expenditures for land, building, and infrastructure, and can be used for lease abatement or mortgage assistance. Companies applying for the loans must be a qualified manufacturing business with over 50% of its revenue outside of New Mexico or a retail



business in a community under 15,000. All loans will be required to provide security equal to the amount of the loan. Businesses interested in LEDA should contact their regional development representative.

- **Cibola, McKinley, San Juan & Sandoval counties**, contact Lorraine Ruggles, 505.490.7662 or Lorrainel.Ruggles@state.nm.us
- **Los Alamos, Rio Arriba & Taos counties**, contact Peter Mitchell, 505.827.2199 or Peter.Mitchell@state.nm.us
- **Bernalillo, Santa Fe, Torrance & Valencia counties**, contact Max Gruner, 505.412.5036 or Max.Gruner@state.nm.us
- **Colfax, Guadalupe, Harding, Mora, Quay, San Miguel & Union counties**, contact Tim Hagaman, 505.862.2322 or Tim.Hagaman@state.nm.us
- **Catron, Dona Ana, Grant, Luna, Sierra & Socorro counties**, contact Christine Logan, 575.373.5602 or Christine.Logan@state.nm.us
- **Chaves, Curry, De Baca, Eddy, Lea, Lincoln, Otero & Roosevelt counties**, contact Susie Russell, 575.626.6653 or Susanl.Russell@state.nm.us

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Small Business Administration (SBA) Programs

Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL): Open to all businesses, including cooperatives, with fewer than 500 employees.

- The SBA EIDL program has been expanded to provide low-interest loans to businesses facing financial hardship due to the impacts of the coronavirus.
- A loan advance of \$10,000 will be distributed by the SBA within 3 days of application approval and can provide working capital loans up to \$2 million.
- Waives certain requirements on loans less than \$200,000 including the credit elsewhere requirement.
- The loan can be used to cover paid sick leave, payroll, increased costs, rent or mortgage, and additional bills that can't be paid because of revenue losses due to the pandemic.
- Loans are eligible to be converted into the larger SBA 7(a) loan program where the loan may be forgiven (see below in Paycheck Protection Program).
- To apply for an Economic Injury Disaster Loan, visit <https://covid19relief.sba.gov/#/>
 - ◇ The following forms will be requested when applying:
 - ⇒ Completed SBA loan application (SBA Form 5)
 - ⇒ Tax Information Authorization (IRS Form 4506T) for the applicant, principals and affiliates
 - ⇒ Complete copies of the most recent Federal Income Tax Return
 - ⇒ Schedule of Liabilities (SBA Form 2202)
 - ⇒ Personal Financial Statement (SBA Form 413)
 - ⇒ Income, balance sheet and cash flow documents
 - ⇒ Other information may also be requested
- For assistance or questions on the program, contact SBA Offices:
 - ◇ CO and WY: Rocky Mountain Regional Office, (303) 844-0506
 - ◇ NE: Great Plains Regional Office, (816) 426-4840
 - ◇ NM: South Central Regional Office, (817) 684-5581



Paycheck Protection Program: Not open to electric cooperatives at this time, however NRECA is working to change this. Businesses and 501(c)(3) organizations in communities served by cooperatives with fewer than 500 employees are eligible and can apply starting April 3rd.

- This is an SBA program that provides loans covering up to 2.5 months of average payroll costs or \$10 million, whichever is less.
- A loan can be fully or partially forgiven if it is used for covered expenses including payroll, healthcare premiums, rent, mortgage, and utilities, and if the employer continues to employ its workers
- These loans are being provided under the framework of the SBA 7(a) loan program, which many small businesses may be familiar with.

Take Action

- Make contact as soon as possible with a current lending institution to see if they are a preferred SBA lender and work with the SBA 7(a) loan program. Ensure they will be able to help navigate the program once the program is open for applications. If not, ask for a referral to a lender that can help.
 - ◇ Note: Lending institutions that are part of the Farm Credit System (CoBank, CFC, AgriBank) may also become SBA 7(a) lenders specifically for this program. Contact those lenders in the coming days to see where their status as a 7(a) lender stands.
- Get financials and payroll documents together to help speed the application process. Documents should also include a good-faith certificate including information on how the loan will be used, why it's needed, current loan applications, and the date the businesses started.
- For complete information click here: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/PPP%20Borrower%20Information%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>
- Application for the Paycheck Protection Program can be found in this link. Applications start being accepted April 3rd: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/Paycheck-Protection-Program-Application-3-30-2020-v3.pdf>

Additional Resources

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) and the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act have additional provisions including tax, loan, labor, and small business relief that may benefit or impact electric cooperatives and their members.

To view a webinar with more complete information on all programs and provisions of the new laws, visit <https://www.dorsey.com/newsresources/events/videos/2020/03/webinar-playback-the-stimulus-act>.

Additional resources for the new federal laws and programs surrounding the coronavirus pandemic can be found below. The rules and guidance for the new laws and programs are evolving quickly, so check the links below regularly for updates.

- Department of the Treasury: <https://home.treasury.gov/cares>
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS): <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus>
- Small Business Administration (SBA): <https://www.sba.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-small-business-guidance-loan-resources>
- Department of Labor: <https://www.dol.gov/coronavirus>
- Cyber + Infrastructure Security Administration: <https://www.cisa.gov/identifying-critical-infrastructure-during-covid-19>
- Centers for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>