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Message From the Board:

Why is serving on the NALWDB important to you?



NALWDB Retreat

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Executive Director, Lisa Ortiz, and One-Stop Operator, Ericka Van Eckhoutte, attended the New Mexico Adult Education Conference to learn about upcoming initiatives and create opportunities for further collaboration



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"Serving on our Northern Board is an opportunity to do more for our Northern NM communities, and to also continue to give feedback on NMWC's direction of services and needs, in which I have always had a passion for." – *Maria Herrera*

"It allows me to have input to the workforce development initiatives in my region and gives me networking opportunities to better serve the participants of DVR." -Mario Lucero

"Serving in the NALWDB allows the individuals my agency serves have representation on the local workforce board. Being able to work to provide access, training and opportunities to improve the workforce in Northern New Mexico is needed to improve the local economy and the economic benefit to the individuals we serve." –*Kevin Romero*

"Serving in the NALWDB is important to me because I get to represent my area and contribute to the workforce issues and solutions." –*Martin Sena*

"My main reason for serving is to help ensure businesses in my community have access to the skilled workforce they need to be successful while also providing job seekers with the skills and resources they need to find good jobs and build successful careers." -David Romero

Board Chair-Joseph Weathers

Executive Director-Lisa Ortiz Operations Manager-Barney Trujillo Project Specialist/Communications-Amber Gomez Program Specialist-Brittany Valencia Program/Policy Monitor-Kevin Boyer

One-Stop Operator-Ericka Van Eckhoutte

"Driving my interest in the work of the NALWDB is its potential to provide academic and career opportunities given its role in overseeing an annual budget providing financial assistance to students/participants to attend training programs – typically regional colleges and universities. For individuals who qualify, these funds allow students to pursue education and careers by providing financial assistance beyond or in place of federal and state financial aid. This means, that often, students unable to benefit from traditional financial aid sources, may still benefit from the funds provided by the NALWDB. New Mexico's 19.5% poverty and low 27.1% Bachelor's degree or higher attainment rates (U.S. Census Bureau, 2019) position the NALWDB with power to make a difference. " – Rebecca Estrada

"Be more informed and involved with in the community"

–Art Sparks

"I was raised in Santa Fe, and I am passionate about strengthening our communities in Northern New Mexico. I have expertise in workforce development efforts, leadership, and facilitation skills and I'd like to be of service to my community." –Kristen Curtis-Krell

"To help people in Northern New Mexico" - Jolene Nelson

"To represent business interest and provide guidance to our in relation to business" -*Vince Howell*

"To ensure that the local workforce development is meeting the needs of our employers and citizens who are seeking employment & career advancement opportunities "-*Mike Stark*

"Serving on the NALWDB is important to me as it allows me to represent our county in assisting our community members in finding meaningful employment opportunities." - Patricia Maule

"Our work expands existing programs like apprenticeships to the 21st century jobs like 3D Printing operator and Laser machining technician. Workforce boards are impactful in our citizens lives and can allow people to support their families." *—Sara Boisvert*



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Members and CEOs

GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION

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Maria Herrera, NM Department of Workforce Solutions, sits on the NALWDB One-Stop Committee. Mario Lucero, NM Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, sits on the NALWDB One-Stop Committee, Sector Strategy Committee, and is Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee.



Kevin Romero, NM Commission for the Blind, sits on the NALWDB Strategic Planning Committee.



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BUSINESS REPRESENTATION

Floyd Archuleta, Amigo Promotions, LLC., sits on the NALWDB One-Stop Committee, Finance Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, and is Chair of the NALWDB Youth Committee.

Krutik Bhakta, Best Western Montezuma Inn, sits on the NALWDB Sector Strategy Committee and Youth Committee. Rebecca Estrada, Los Alamos National Laboratory, sits on the NALWDB ETPL Committee and is the Chair of the NALWDB Sector Strategy

Committee.

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Vince Howell, Phillips 66, is Chair of the NALWDB One-Stop Committee and Vice Chair of the NALWDB Executive Committee.





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Pablo Lujan, Ken'z Cuisine, sits on the NALWDB One-Stop Committee, Youth Committee, and Executive Committee, and is the Chair of the NALWDB Finance Committee.

Patricia Maule, San Juan Regional Medical Center, sits on the NALWDB ETPL Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, and Rules Committee.

Sean Medrano, Northeastern Construction, is the Chair of the NALWDB ETPL Committee.

Jolene Nelson, Rose Water Farms, LLC., sits on the NALWDB Rules Committee.





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David Romero, Romero's Automotive, sits on the NALWDB Executive Committee and is the Chair of the NALWDB Rules Committee.

John Paul Romero, Cordova Contracting & Development, sits as the Board Secretary on the NALWDB Executive Committee. New Mexico-Workforce Connection

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Joseph Weathers, Papetes de Lana, proudly represents the Northern Area as the Northern Area Local Workforce Development Board Executive Committee Chair.



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATION

Eileen Yarborough, Cibola Communities Economic Development, sits on the NALWDB Finance Committee, Sector Strategy Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, and Rules Committee.



Strategy Committee.

Kristen Curtis-Krell, Santa Fe Community College, represents Adult Education and sits on the NALWDB Youth Committee.



Dr. Lorenzo Reyes, San Juan College, represents Higher Education and sits on the NALWDB Sector Strategy Committee.

EDUCATION REPRESENTATION



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APPRENTICESHIP REPRESENTATION



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Sarah Boisvert, Fab Lab Hub, sits on the NALWDB Youth Committee. Arthur Sparks, Union Local 412, sits on the NALWDB ETPL Committee and Sector Strategy Committee.



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Chief Elected Officials





Mike Stark San Juan County

Kate Fletcher Cibola County

Anthony Dimas McKinley County





Alex Naranjo *CEO Board Chair* Rio Arriba County

Martin Sena CEO Board Vice Chair San Miguel County New Mexico-Workforce Connection

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Brent Jaramillo Taos County



Camilla Bustamante Santa Fe County



Daniel Torrez-Cibola County Monte Gore-Colfax County Steve Lynne-Los Alamos County Harry Burgess-Los Alamos County Robert Baca-McKinley County Eugene Martinez-Mora County Justin Greene-Santa Fe County Jack Fortner-San Juan County Mark Gallegos-Taos County



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San Juan







NMWFC Staff and NALWDB One-Stop Operator attended the Bank of America Small Business Community Roundtable to discuss the needs of small businesses, learn of resources, and identify opportunities for collaboration.



Whataburger **On-Site Interviews**

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The Farmington New Mexico Workforce Connection Center began hosting monthly career fairs and provided on-site workshops for individuals. These events and workshops have been organized into a Calendar of events that is posted both internally and externally.



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Every Monday join us in office NMWFC Orientation-10:30am 11:30am-learn about our programs, services and workshops that can help you level up your job search

Every Friday join us Resume/ Cover letter Workshop- 10:30am-12:00nm-learn how to create an effective resume and cover letter or improve on the ones you have. You will learn to list essential information and how to develop a great resume for a competitive iob environment

September 20- Community Career Fair- 1:00PM - 3:00PM- Join us the Farmington Workforce Connection office as we have a small career fair

September 27- Community Career Fair- 1:00PM - 3:00PM- Join us the Farmington Workforce Connection office as we have a small career fair.





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McKinley & Cibola

Ft. Defiance Commanders Meeting (Ft. Defiance Agency Veterans Organization)





On July 7th, the Gallup New Mexico Workforce Connection Center attended the Ft. Defiance Commanders Meeting. This meeting was their regular monthly meeting, with NMWFC staff presenting information on available resources.

This meeting took place in Arizona, but provided a great opportunity for the team to strengthen their relationship with the Navajo Nation and provided an opportunity to speak with the individual that oversees Veteran Representatives in Arizona, and now can make direct referrals to her for Veterans that he is currently working with that live in Arizona.

Also in attendance, was the Navajo Nation president along with other organizations and individuals who assist veterans.







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Navajo Nation Stand Down Resources Fair & Gourd Dance

On July 14th, the Gallup New Mexico Workforce Connection Center attended the Navajo Nation Stand Down Resources Fair & Gourd Dance. Also, in attendance with Jose at the event was the DVOP (Gregory Johnson) from the Albuquerque office. The event was held at Window Rock High School. Jose met with about 20 veterans or spouses of veterans. About 8 of the 20 were interested in services from Workforce Connection and referred to the office. There was a great turn out of organizations and individuals. This was a successful event as new partnerships were created with the Navajo Nation!





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Zuni Housing Summit





Top Gunners Meeting

On July 13th, NMWFC staff attended the Top Gunners meeting. This new group is comprised of different organizations throughout the community, all working together to identify ways to assist Veterans in the community, along with the general public. Although there were no opportunity-seekers in attendance, staff was able to give an overview of services to the community partners.

The DAV-Vice Commander in Albuquerque attended the meeting to talk about ways to assist people with transportation issues in rural areas. In attendance was also the Mayor and Chief of Police. There was a lot of networking that occurred at the event and every organization went over what they have to offer so that other agencies know where they can refer individuals.

New Mexico Workforce Connection Staff attended the Zuni Housing Summit and presented NMWFC services to 50+ individuals.



9/11/2023 - Pinedale Chapter House Veterans Meeting Veterans from the Pinedale chapter house got together to go over any new updates. I was added to the agenda and given 30 min to give all in attendance an overview of what services are provided.

<u>9/12/2023 - Crownpoint Chapter House Veterans Meetinig</u> Veterans from the Crownpoint chapter house got together to go over any new updates. I was given 30 min to give all in attendance an overview of what services are provided.

9/13/2023 - Round Table Meeting W/ Navajo Nation Council Round table discussion to go over current issues plaguing the Navajo Nation. Organizations got together to network and create action plans to overcome those challenges.

9/20/2023 - Crownpoint Jail

Inmates currently incarcerated in the Crownpoint Jail were given an overview of services. Two inmates were interested in services and comprehensive registrations were completed for them.





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Taos & Los Alamos & Rio Arriba

Taos Fall Hiring Event







The Taos New Mexico Workforce Connection Center held their Taos Fall Hiring Event in the NMWFCC parking lot. This event had 14 employers in attendance with one-site interviews. There were 20 opportunity-seekers in attendance.

TAOS

August 3rd, 2023 10am-2pm **UNM-Taos** Padre Martinez Hall 1157 Co Rd 110 Ranchos De Taos, NM 87557













Taos Hiring Event

On August 18th, the Taos **NMWFCC** hosted their first large event! This included 16 employers/resources, with 28 opportunity-seekers in attendance.





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July 27th, 2023

2pm-7pm

SFCC-Campus Center 6401 Richards Ave, Santa Fe, NM 87508







The Fall Education Enrollment Drive was an initiative made to drive potential students to campus for Adult and Higher Education needs. We had services available on-site such as assistance with financial aid, registration, childcare, transportation, LIHEAP, TANF amongst others to enroll and complete educational training along with addressing other needs and or barriers. Our Santa Fe team recruited a number of local community agencies to include Childcare Bureau, Youth Services, WIOA Services, DVR, WIN Navigators, TANF, LIHEAP, Food Depot, Goodwill- Veteran Services, Immigration and Citizenship, RTD and SF Trails to name a few.













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Santa Fe

¡Fiesta Familiar Extravaganza!















Saturday Aug 26th from 11am-2pm Fiesta Familiar Extravaganza- Family Resource Fair

Santa Fe New Mexico Workforce Connection Staff attended the Saturday event to network and promote WC services with more that 250 attendees. The event was hosted by Growing up NM and geared towards early childhood childcare, services and programs. Face painting, children's activities, bouncy house, magic show, live entertainment, etc.

<u>Feria South Side Event- August 17th 4-7pm</u> Food, music, activities, vendors, resources for small

business NMWFC represented the local WC office where they networked with over 25 small local businesses and shared information on local WC services.

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FEMA Claims- Resume Writing Workshop (virtual) 8/24, and 8/29 from 630-730pm

FEMA

According to our friends at FEMA, 80% of the individuals that apply are not deemed qualified because they fail to follow federal resume format requirements when applying for the FEMA claims positions.

Federal Resume Writing Webinar

To help you prepare for these events, FEMA hosted a Federal Resume Writing webinar on August 24 and 29, 2023, from 6:00pm to 7:30pm MT.

FEMA was in attendance of the 8/30 Pre-Apprenticeship Event

Federal Resume Writing and Hiring Event for the Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Claims Office

The Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Claims Office is hiring full-time positions to support the processing of claims and provision of compensation to claimants impacted by the Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Fire. The duty station for these positions is Santa Fe, NM, and the pay grades range from IC-7 (\$46,696) to IC-12 (\$108,724).

The first hiring event will be in Santa Fe, NM, on August 30 where you can learn more about the available positions. A second event will follow the week of September 12, by invitation only.



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Santa Fe



The Santa Fe New Mexico Workforce Connection Center was a proud host of one of the State Personnel Summer Interns, Mr. Elias Arellano. Upon completing his internship, he was nominated and selected to develop and present a Capstone Presentation, which gave him an opportunity to reflect on his experience and what he learned. He also got to share this experience with other mentors, peers, and state agency stakeholders. This presentation took place on August 8th, at the State Capital Rotunda. During this presentation, Mr. Arellano self-assessed his performance and identified the goals that had been met as well as the skills that had been gained during his internship.

Elias has since been featured in Round the Roundhouse, has returned to his Junior year of High School, and excited to join us again next summer!

Elias was one of the few in the state to be given the opportunity and represented our local office so very well! The team is so very proud of Elias and appreciate his efforts while he was with us. We look forward to next year!

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Pre-Apprenticeship Hiring Event

Workforce Connection hiring event 8/30/2023

Local Hiring event with 11 employers; including SF county, FEMA, Wal-Mart, Growing up NM, Blakes, Jiffy Lube, Sams Club, NM Surf, NM Game and Fish, Allied Electric, the Food Depot

The focus for this event was 16-24-year-olds, and employers signed up for the Pre-apprenticeship program, however all employers and job seekers were welcomed. Participating employers had multiple opportunities available to include full- and part-time opportunities.



City of Santa Fe Event

8/11 8am-4pm

The Santa Fe NMWFC team attended an event at the Genoveva Chavez Community Center to provide support to the City of Santa Fe Recreation Division, assist job seekers with online City of SF online account profiles, and upload credentials and COSF applications for much needed positions like Lifeguards/Lifeguard Trainees, Swim Instructors, Youth Specialists, Teen Center staff, etc.

9 positions were filled as a result of the event.



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San Miguel & Mora & Colfax

FEMA



Las Vegas: FEMA Hiring Event on Sept. 20th was a great success for Las Vegas and Santa Fe. There were 30 plus qualified applicants interviewed. There were multiple positions filled for Las Vegas and 3 for Santa Fe; with all Las Vegas area positions filled and Santa Fe nearly filled. Pre-Apprenticeship Department of Transportation



The Las Vegas Pre-Apprenticeship program completed 9 placements with the Department of Transportation. These placements were made through a variety of DOT departments, to include Shop-Mechanics, Survey, Lab Tech, Human Resources, Finance, and Switch Board. All the placements have been doing an amazing job and attaining skills in their career pathways.

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San Miguel/Mora/Colfax

City of Las Vegas Hiring Event

The Las Vegas New Mexico Workforce Connection Center hosted a city-wide hiring event at the Abe Montoya Recreation Center. There were 27 employers in attendance, with approximately 10- opportunity-seekers in attendance; more than a dozen of which received job offer. This event included the Department of Transportation (along with their new tow truck), the City of LV Fire Department (including their new Fire Unit), and the DWS Mobile Unit.



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NORTHERN AREA NEWSLETTER -PY23 1st Quarter

Upcoming **Events**

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For more information

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Farmington, NM 87402

WIOA Title I-financially assisted programs and activities are an Equal Opportunity E services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Relay New Mexico FUNDED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

New Mexico Calling all Job Seekers **Hiring Event for October** Wednesday, October 18, 2023 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Montañita Food Co-op, Smith's Food Drug. DVR (LEWES)



Nov. 8th

11am-2pm

NNMC Admin

Upper Level



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Spring Education Enrollment Drive

Meet Representatives & Learn about Programs & Funding available for High-School Equivalency and/or Post-Secondary Certificate &

Plant the SEED for your future



The 2023 New Mexico Workforce Conference registration is now open! Register today by clicking on the link below. Participants will learn about the partnerships, resources, and tools available to enhance opportunities and inspire innovation to meet the unique challenges of New Mexico's job seekers and businesses

Four tracks will be available to attendees to choose from including Leadership, Skills, Partnerships, and Youth. No need to register for a specific track, all track sessions are oper to all attendees throughout the conference

Bookmark the website https://www.dws.state.nm.us/2023NMWorkforceConference where the latest news and updates will be posted. Information on room blocks is now available at several locations including the conference hotel, Marriott Albuquerque

We look forward to seeing you at the 2023 New Mexico Workforce Conference

