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Giving Together

Animal Welfare, Arts,
Health and Human Services

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The Santa Fe Community Foundation's *Giving Together* program supports our efforts to build healthy and vital communities in our region. The fall 2017 grant round includes organizations working to increase animal welfare, create engagement in the arts, improve the health of underserved residents, improve access to affordable healthy food, and improve early childhood health and development outcomes.

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*Since its inception in 2010, the *Giving Together* program has generated over \$3.5 million in additional funds to area organizations.*



In this cycle, the Foundation has approximately \$240,000 available for granting, a small portion of the total amount requested.

The *Giving Together* catalogue is a service to our Donor Advised Fundholders. They can use this catalogue to add to the total amount of grants made during the cycle, helping us address critical local needs.

Community members can use this catalogue to gain greater understanding of the organizations working in these areas.

By giving together, we can have a greater impact in our communities by insuring that much-needed services and resources get delivered to those who need them. We ask you to join us in supporting our local community.

Giving Together is easy...

1 Decide whether you want to direct your grant recommendation to the Foundation's Community Leadership Fund, to the general grant pool, to a specific proposal, or to all three. Don't forget! You can always make an unrestricted grant to the Foundation's pool of funds used for the spring and fall competitive grant cycles.

2 Use the form at the back of this catalogue or download it from our website (Donors/Giving Together Program/Giving Together Grant Request Form) for indicating your grant choices. Grant minimum is \$250.

3 Fax your signed Donor Request Form to 505-988-1829 or scan and email to ccoggins@santafecf.org.

If you are interested in learning more about any of the enclosed grant proposals, please contact Christa Coggins at 505-988-9715 ext 7002 or ccoggins@santafecf.org.

Animal Welfare



We view the inclusion of animal welfare-related proposals in the *Giving Together* catalogue as a service to our fundholders who support animal welfare. Many appreciate seeing what animal welfare-related needs exist in the community, and have chosen to support such requests in the catalogue.

Animal Welfare

Grant Proposals



Animal Protection of New Mexico, Inc. (APNM)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Since 1979, APNM has advocated for the humane treatment of all animals by challenging the root causes and systems that harm or allow harm to animals. APNM accomplishes its goals through educational programs and campaigns, direct services to animals, and advocacy in support of animal protection laws.

Proposal: Funds will be used for our lifesaving work to run a statewide Animal Cruelty Hotline (877-5-HUMANE); provide safe haven for animals of domestic violence victims; teach local students kindness and responsibility for animals; end coyote killing contests and wildlife trapping on public lands; protect horses from the slaughter pipeline; and more.

Noteworthy: New Mexico ranks in the bottom 5 states in the U.S. for animal welfare. Because the treatment of animals is a reflection of the health of our communities, and the link between cruelty to animals and human violence is well known, efforts to make “humane” the new normal, uplifts us all.

Animal Welfare Coalition of Northeastern New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Guided by humane ethics and in recognition of the bond between humans and animals, the Animal Welfare Coalition of Northeastern New Mexico exists to promote humane principles, compassionate care, and prevention of cruelty to animals.

Proposal: Funds will support low-cost spaying and neutering of dogs and cats in northeastern New Mexico. We are proud that 91% of the animals entering our facility leave alive, and low-cost spay/neuter options help us return animals to their owners while reducing over-population caused by unwanted litters.

Noteworthy: The number of animals we transport out of our small community is indicative of the dog and cat over-population in the northeastern counties in New Mexico. We transported more than 1,200 dogs and cats for adoption out of state during 2016.

Athena Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Housed at the Santa Fe Community Foundation, this fund assists individuals (of low to moderate income) with veterinarian expenses related to cancer care for their pet.

Proposal: We seek funds to help cover expenses including surgery, alternative chemotherapy, radiation treatment, medications, pain management and supportive care.

Noteworthy: There are 65 million dogs and 32 million cats in the United States. Of these, roughly 6 million new cancer diagnoses are made in dogs and a similar number made in cats each year. Many of them are put down due to the expense of treatment(s).

Friends of Estancia Valley Animals

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To reduce the number of strays and unwanted companion animals in the East Mountain and Estancia Valley area of New Mexico. Our efforts are focused on offering low-cost spay/neuter options and education to local residents.

Proposal: Funds will help cover the cost of low-cost or free spay/neuter services for financially struggling families in southern Santa Fe County and Torrance County.

Noteworthy: Torrance County is our target area for low-cost spay/neuter services. Torrance County is one of the poorest counties in New Mexico (32.3% living below poverty level compared to the state average of 20.4% in 2016). The town of Edgewood in southern Santa Fe County has a poverty level of 7.7%.

Heart and Soul Animal Sanctuary

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The Heart and Soul Animal Sanctuary is a place of refuge for animals who otherwise would perish: the abandoned, the abused, the sick, the old, the suffering.

Proposal: The Heart and Soul Animal Sanctuary serves a region of desperate need. Northern New Mexico has a long history of neglect, ill-treatment, and heedless overpopulation of animals. Many of the dogs and cats who come to us have been dumped in trash cans, dropped into roadside ditches, or left at gas stations to fend for themselves.

Noteworthy: We rescue several hundred of the thousands of abandoned animals in New Mexico every year, and adopt out dozens of puppies and older dogs to safe homes. We spend over \$100,000 a year on veterinary bills alone and provide permanent homes to horses, llamas, cats, goats, and dogs.

Horse Shelter

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To serve as a sanctuary for New Mexico's abandoned, abused and neglected horses. Rescued horses will be rehabilitated and adopted out whenever possible to environments that support their well-being and future long-term care.

Proposal: Funds will help train our rescue horses. We also need help funding our growing volunteer program that currently has 45-50 committed volunteers with a total of 700 hours/month. Volunteers receive classes in horse handling and in turn work with our horses to help socialize them.

Noteworthy: With currently a maximum capacity of 80 horses on site, the only way we can help more horses in need is to increase our adoption rates. In 2016, we were able to adopt 37 horses into good homes and take in as many horses in need of rescue. Training our volunteers is vital in helping to achieve this goal.

Max & Tucker Canine Welfare Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Housed at the Santa Fe Community Foundation, this fund assists individuals (of low or moderate income) over age 60 with veterinarian expenses for their companion dog.

Proposal: We seek funds to help cover expenses including those for middle-aged dogs receiving treatment for a curable condition. Individuals may apply from anywhere in New Mexico.

Noteworthy: For elderly pet owners, who often live alone or in group facilities, pets can help reduce stress, lower blood pressure, increase social interaction and physical activity, and help them learn.

Mexicanwolves.org

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Mexicanwolves.org is a collaborative effort of concerned citizens and local, regional, and national conservation, scientific and sportsmen's organizations working to ensure the future of the endangered Mexican gray wolf by achieving recovery of the species and restoring it to its essential role.

Proposal: Mexicanwolves.org motivates and trains local activists in grassroots organizing skills. Funds will be used to support our activist training program in New Mexico through leadership building, volunteer training, and educational outreach to support recovery of the endangered Mexican gray wolf.

Noteworthy: In a 2013 poll of registered voters, 87% of New Mexicans agreed that "wolves are a vital part of America's wilderness and natural heritage." And 80% of New Mexicans agreed that "the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should make every effort to help wolves recover and prevent extinction."

New Mexico Rescue Resources

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide organizational structure for associated small rescues to assist in dog/cat rescues in Santa Fe and several surrounding counties. Goals are to ensure uniform protocols for vetting, licensure, fostering/adoptions; and create/sustain successful venues for pet adoptions.

Proposal: Funds will maintain and increase the capacity of several small animal rescues working with high kill shelters in Chaves, Valencia, San Miguel, Rio Arriba counties, to re-home animals in higher density areas, transport to rescues in other states, cover medical and admin costs, and provide support services to foster homes.

Noteworthy: Animal Protection of New Mexico estimates that yearly 135,000 dogs and cats enter animal facilities across the state and about half are euthanized due to lack of space or homes. Small rescues save many by pulling adoptable animals, vetting, keeping a network of fosters, adoption events and transport options.

Northern New Mexico Street Homeless Animal Project, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To assist the street homeless community in obtaining veterinary care and supplies for their companion animal and to keep these families together.

Proposal: Funds will increase our capacity to assist the beloved companion animals of people who are homeless on the streets of Santa Fe. We help in obtaining emergency veterinary care, food, supplies, preventative care, spay and neuter services, and advocate for their welfare.

Noteworthy: Street Homeless Animal Project provides assistance to approximately 300 companion animals of people who have no permanent housing. The health and welfare of these animals can be a determining factor in the mental health of their owners, especially youth on the streets.

Santa Fe Raptor Center

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To care for all wild, native injured, or orphaned birds in the state of New Mexico, with the goal of releasing them back into the wild; we also provide vital education about raptors and other birds to schools and our communities.

Proposal: Funds will assist us in our feeding and care of injured or orphaned birds that come to us year-round so that they may be released back into the wild. Funding is also necessary to continue our educational programs which focus primarily on children's programs and serves 9 counties in New Mexico.

Noteworthy: The Santa Fe Raptor Center is addressing the statistic of human caused injuries to native bird species in New Mexico. According to U.S. Fish and Wildlife statistics, there are 200,000,000 car collisions a year. Poisoning and window strikes are also high. We work to turn some of this around.

WildEarth Guardians

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: WildEarth Guardians protects and restores the wildlife, wild places, wild rivers, and health of the American West. We are working to end trapping, poisoning, and aerial gunning of native species on their native landscapes and shift the paradigm to one of non-lethal management and coexistence.

Proposal: Funds will support our "End the War on Wildlife" campaign, focused on reforming Wildlife Services, a federal program that inhumanely kills tens of thousands of coyotes and prairie dogs, hundreds of foxes, wolves, mountain lions, black bears, bobcats, otters, and other native wildlife, predominantly on public lands.

Noteworthy: A key challenge to reforming Wildlife Services is its deep entanglement with counties via cooperative agreements to provide lethal wildlife control "services." We are working to reverse this trend in New Mexico by implementing a campaign to replace these agreements with non-lethal coexistence plans.

Sky Mountain Wild Horse Sanctuary

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To create balanced, healthy ecosystems for wild horses and to provide sanctuary for vulnerable mustangs where they live free.

Proposal: Funds will keep more wild horses free and protected. The sanctuary seeks to adopt 2 additional wild horses to provide them with a life-long haven, and seeks to treat 77 wild horses with immunocontraception, which limits reproduction and keeps wild horses free in numbers healthy for them and the ecosystem.

Noteworthy: 50,000 wild horses in holding facilities are now vulnerable to mass euthanasia or slaughter due to proposed legislation. Keeping wild horses free using immunocontraception to maintain herd numbers that are healthy for wild horses and the ecosystem is a humane, effective, and economical alternative.



Arts



The Foundation strives to create communities where diverse audiences enjoy the many arts and cultural heritages of our region. Specifically, we are interested in work that:

- 1** Increases public engagement in the arts.
- 2** Increases the number of individuals accessing the arts who otherwise would not have had that opportunity.
- 3** Provides support to nonprofits using the arts as a tool to measurably improve future success of marginalized youth.
- 4** Strengthens opportunities for historical or cultural preservation.
- 5** Supports public policy, community organizing or public information to strengthen the arts segment of the creative economy locally.

Arts

Grant Proposals



Abiquiú Chamber Music Festival

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide quality chamber music to northern New Mexico communities; bring exceptional artists to perform classical and contemporary repertoire; engage audiences, fostering greater appreciation of classical music; perform and commission new works; enhance the economic well-being of the local community.

Proposal: Celebrating its 10th season of exciting chamber music in Abiquiú, Abiquiú Chamber Music Festival seeks support for the upcoming 2018 season. Through its concert series the Festival provides an under-served population with exceptional artistry and quality programming of outstanding contemporary and classical music, along with educational tools for music appreciation.

Noteworthy: Only annual music festival in Rio Arriba County. Five concerts each of 90-100 individuals, sold at full capacity. Subscriptions increased from 25-30% to 75%, strongly indicating need for and commitment to music performance in northern New Mexico, beyond the urban centers of Santa Fe, Los Alamos, and Taos.

ARTsmart

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: ARTsmart empowers and transforms lives by teaching art, literacy, and life skills. We ensure that children have the opportunity to explore, experience, and engage in diverse visual expressions.

Proposal: ARTsmart seeks funding to ensure that New Mexico youth have the opportunity to explore, experience and engage in the visual arts, a critical component of every student's education. All of our after school programs are free, we have scholarships for our spring/summer camps, and our during-school programs are either free or fee for service.

Noteworthy: Our students are defined as being at-risk. The majority of the schools served by ARTsmart are Title I schools, meaning that students live at or below poverty. In addition to being low income, the population is 95% Hispanic, 3% White, and 2% Native American—and many students are English language learners.

Axle Projects, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Axle Projects supports the creation and dissemination of contemporary arts in the public sphere in New Mexico. We bring the arts to people by placing art in the path of daily life. We intersect disciplines, and encourage experimental approaches to art-making and presentation.

Proposal: The Axle contemporary mobile gallery brings a wide array of contemporary art to diverse audiences throughout our community, empowering artists and inspiring others. In 7 years we've exhibited the work of hundreds of New Mexican artists to an audience of thousands on city streets, in parking lots, and at community centers and schools.

Noteworthy: The number of visitors to core arts events continues to decline, with just 33.4% of U.S. adults attending one of those between July 2011 and July 2012. A decade earlier the figure was 39.4%, and in 2008 it was 34.6%. NEA- Findings From the Survey of Public Participation in the Arts, 2002–2012.

Center for Contemporary Arts (CCA)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: The CCA is a vibrant art space and Cinematheque offering innovative exhibitions, films, and performances that are socially relevant, provocative and inspiring.

Proposal: The CCA seeks funding to continue our diverse, year-round schedule of public programming. From hands-on art making workshops to film premieres, your support makes art happen at CCA.

Noteworthy: CCA continues to grow and offer significant, mission-driven programming with one of the leanest operating budgets among its peer institutions. Every year, the CCA brings 2,750 film screenings, 12 unique visual arts exhibitions, and over 30 public programs, and events to 60,000 participants.

Concordia Santa Fe, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To enrich the cultural life of northern New Mexico by performing and promoting music of the highest caliber, and to provide an opportunity for musicians to perform in professional wind-centric ensembles that serve culturally diverse populations.

Proposal: Concordia Santa Fe requests funds to continue providing first class music presentations to audiences of northern New Mexico, produce a professional recording, and further develop its acclaim as one of the premier wind instrument-centric music ensembles in the nation.

Noteworthy: Concordia Santa Fe has two branches: its professional wind ensemble and its educational/workshop ensemble. Both groups pull in, on average, over 200 people per concert from different backgrounds, expanding our genre as a reputable form of music performance.

Cornerstones Community Partnerships

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Cornerstones works in partnership with communities to restore historic structures, encourage traditional building practices, and affirm cultural values.

Proposal: Funds will help support Cornerstones in continuing ongoing efforts supporting rural New Mexican communities that want to preserve their architectural heritage. Work is planned for both historic mission churches and community-used structures. Youth training is a major component of the program within the context of economic development.

Noteworthy: Statistics rank New Mexico as being among the poorest states in the nation. The poverty cycle stresses the rich, cultural heritage of communities. Cornerstones provides job opportunities for youth engaging in preserving their heritage. Their publicly visible work helps to energize the community.

Creativity for Peace

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Creativity for Peace trains young Palestinian and Israeli women to partner as leaders by transforming anger and prejudice to mutual respect, facilitating an understanding of the other and inspiring action to promote equality and peace.

Proposal: Through artmaking in multiple genres, Israeli, Palestinian, and New Mexico girls learn to express their feelings about conflict, overcome trauma, break down stereotypes of the “other,” and develop strong bonds that allow them to work together. We partner with organizations such as the Santa Fe Opera, Littleglobe, Wise Fool, and Warehouse 21.

Noteworthy: A 2009 Boston Youth Arts survey of research demonstrated that youth who engage in arts programming develop empathy, respect for others, and an increased ability to communicate and work with those with different cultural identities — skills essential to leadership and peacemaking.

Desert Montessori School

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To foster deep music appreciation and artistic skills through the disciplines of playing instruments, singing, dance and drama.

Proposal: Funds will be used to purchase portable platform risers and assist with travel expenses enabling our students to share the gift of music and theater performance with the greater Santa Fe community. Portable risers would allow us to, easily and safely, bring our performances to senior centers, festivals and other community outreach venues.

Noteworthy: The students at Desert Montessori have performed regularly at El Castillo retirement home. Research shows that when elderly people have regular exposure to music and performance, they demonstrate increased mobility and coordination as well as reduced tension, diminished pain and improved recovery.

Española Public Schools

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To provide and improve a quality education for all students in a safe environment by implementing an educational program that insures students are prepared to meet educational life challenges.

Proposal: The Española Digital Film class requests funds to teach students all aspects of artistic film production, scripts, sound, lighting, editing, use of special effects, so that they can be prepared to enter the growing film production community in New Mexico and the U.S.

Noteworthy: Española Valley High School has a 40% dropout rate whereas students involved in the Digital Film class not only graduate but go on in post-secondary jobs and study at a 90% rate.

Española Valley Fiber Arts Center (EVFAC)

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To cultivate and support multigenerational participation in local, traditional, and contemporary fiber arts. Our vision is to be the hub of a thriving and respected fiber arts community.

Proposal: Funds will support EVFAC expanding programs such as: classes that cover many techniques at every skill level, the Traveling Fiber Trunk (bringing fiber arts activities into schools and youth centers), Walk in and Weave for fiber-enthusiastic visitors, and events (Churro Week and New Mexico Fiber Crawl) to draw the general public to fiber arts.

Noteworthy: Youth programs must be offered for free or for a reduced cost and attendance rose 5% from 2015 as a result. In 2016, free trunks engaged 270 youth, community outreach programs engaged over 750 participants (many of them families), and 16% more visitors came to EVFAC.

Española Valley Fiber Arts Center (EVFAC)

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

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Proposal: EVFAC promotes northern New Mexico's diverse fiber arts legacies, and seeks funding to offer education programs in collaboration with neighboring Pueblo communities focusing on embroidery, manta cloth weaving, and expansion of Traveling Fiber Trunk that take fiber arts activities into schools and youth organizations.

Noteworthy: Neighboring pueblo communities have approached EVFAC for support to develop traditional fiber arts practices. Pueblo Fiber Artists have complemented the opportunity EVFAC's events offer to display their art form, others expressed the need to have a center that offers quality supplies.

Georgia O'Keeffe Museum

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To inspire all current and future generations, the Museum preserves, presents and advances the artistic legacy of Georgia O'Keeffe and Modernism through innovative public engagement, education, and research.

Proposal: We seek funds for arts education programs to improve the future success of youth. Programs are free and target under-served youth in Santa Fe and rural communities in Rio Arriba County. Examples include outreach at the Boys and Girls Club in Abiquiú, internships at the Abiquiú garden, the Art and Leadership Program, and early childhood initiatives.

Noteworthy: Low income students who are highly engaged in the arts are more likely than their peers with low arts involvement to have graduated from high school, be employed, completed college, and have volunteered in their communities (www.americansforthearts.org).

Healthy Native Communities Partnership, Inc.

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Healthy Native Communities Partnership, Inc. works with Native communities to realize their own vision of wellness. Our vision is for Indigenous communities that are healthy and strong.

Proposal: Who is telling your story? As Native Americans, others have been telling our stories filtered through their own perspectives. The Native Digital Storytellers Project will engage Native people to tell their own stories. The power of authentic story strengthens health and wellbeing, preserves Native culture, and increases access to the arts.

Noteworthy: Native Americans represent 9.4% of New Mexico's population. In New Mexico, people of color are worse off than their white counterparts across a range of health indicators. Access to arts empowers communities, enhances health, strengthens cultural identity, heals trauma, and fosters community wellness.

High Road Artisans

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To enhance the economic viability of the artists and artisans of the rural communities along the High Road to Taos in northern New Mexico.

Proposal: Funds will support our annual Studio Tour to enhance historical, cultural, and youth program initiatives as well as provide exposure to build and sustain the rural economy for traditional and contemporary artists who work in the culturally rich region of northern New Mexico.

Noteworthy: The chronic lack of economic opportunities in the rural communities of northern New Mexico is further exacerbated by increased competition caused by globalization, drop in consumer taste and consumption, and ever-changing technologies necessitates the need to attract and engage audiences more.

Indigenous Solutions, Inc.

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Indigenous Solutions, Inc. is dedicated to promoting healthy traditional/contemporary Native lifestyles through sustainable music and artistic expression.

Proposal: Funds will help support a multicultural event that honors diversity, community building and families in Santa Fe and surrounding counties, as well as planning and implementing educational programs, artistic and musical performances, and services based on indigenous sensitivities and values.

Noteworthy: 26.6% of American Indians and Alaska Natives were in poverty in 2015, the highest rate. For the nation, the poverty rate was 14.7%. 26.4% of civilian-employed, single-race American Indian and Alaska Native people, age 16 and older worked in business, science and arts in 2015.

International Folk Art Alliance

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To celebrate and preserve living folk art traditions and create economic opportunities for and with folk artists worldwide.

Proposal: Funds will expand our youth and community outreach programs and services developed specifically to engage Santa Fe and northern New Mexico youth and young adults in learning about folk art, cultures, and societies from around the world.

Noteworthy: Approximately 81% of the children and young adults participating in International Folk Art Alliance youth and community outreach programs attend public schools that provide free breakfast and lunch for children from under-served and low income homes.

Lensic Performing Arts Center

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: The Lensic enriches lives by bringing diverse art and people together in the historic Lensic Theater in downtown Santa Fe. The Lensic presents and supports local, national and international artists and serves as a center for education, community and youth events through accessible and affordable programming.

Proposal: The Lensic seeks support to offer outstanding, high-quality performing arts experiences to more than 14,000 youth each year - including live matinee performances at The Lensic for public school students, plus workshops and master classes taught in schools by visiting artists. We also offer a photography/video program in schools and technical theater internships.

Noteworthy: The U.S. Dept of Education proposes a \$27 million cut to Arts. That—combined with a \$1.6 million cut to the 2018 Santa Fe Public School budget, plus an uncertain State budget—does not bode well for arts in public schools. This will especially impact low income kids—a majority of students in Santa Fe.

Meadow City Academy of Music

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide subsidized music and dance instruction to youth and adults through direct involvement with professional instructors. Numerous concerts scheduled in Las Vegas feature professional New Mexico performing artists, attracting visitors to Las Vegas.

Proposal: Funds will provide excellent subsidized music and dance instruction to youth and adults in Las Vegas, New Mexico. Various financial sources enable professional instructors to share their knowledge with students who might not otherwise experience the power of transformative musical experiences.

Noteworthy: Las Vegas is a unique city with a diverse population and a rich cultural heritage. The art of Flamenco is an example of an art form which is currently being taught to youth and adults in our predominantly Latino community. Frequent concerts feature professional artists in various city venues.

Museum of Indian Arts and Culture/ Laboratory of Anthropology

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To serve as a center of stewardship, knowledge, and understanding of the artistic, cultural, and intellectual achievements of the diverse peoples of the Native Southwest.

Proposal: Funds will support lifeways of the Southern Athabaskans. The bands of Apache in New Mexico and Arizona are advanced and distinct tribes. Over 100 objects with baskets, beaded clothing, horse gear, and several Houser artworks will be on display complemented by public programs: artist demonstrations, scholar forums, and films.

Noteworthy: According to a National Indian Education Study in 2011, only 24-34% of Native Americans 4th graders and 22-28% of Native American 8th graders “attended schools in which members of the Native American community visited 3 or more times during the school year to share Native American traditions and culture.”

Nat Gold Players

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To entertain, educate and motivate the community through performing arts.

Proposal: Funds will provide performing arts in a rural area where opportunities are highly limited. Shows entertain while encouraging community pride and bridging cultural gaps in our minority-majority area. Our shows provide an outlet for a wealth of local talented performers, writers, and directors.

Noteworthy: Nat Gold Players provides quality theatre and encourages positive change through addressing difficult issues. Productions include: “Sheltered Women,” about endangered Iraqi women which won top honors in the 2015 state AACTFest; and the 2017 entry, “Grim Paperwork,” provided laughs and took a hard look at the nature of bigotry.

New Mexico Film Foundation

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To help grow the New Mexico independent film industry while offering financial support and educational opportunities to New Mexico independent filmmakers.

Proposal: The New Mexico Film Foundation provides frequently sought after support for the men and women of New Mexico who desire to make films. By providing the education, financial support, and networking opportunities, we seek to increase and encourage the creative aspect of media story telling while building the economic impact of local filmmakers’ work.

Noteworthy: A recent report states the film industry in New Mexico generated \$505 million in the past year. However, no organization is conducting concentrated outreach and education to explain financial and educational opportunities like the New Mexico Film Foundation.

New Mexico Gay Men’s Chorus

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To reduce homophobia and intolerance by creating a positive image of the LGBTQ community through high-quality, public musical performances. As an empowering voice for the LGBTQ and allied community, we work to increase understanding between diverse people each time we present our musical offerings.

Proposal: Funds will support outreach throughout northern New Mexico. In 2017-18, we are expanding our reach in Santa Fe by adding performances, setting up school tours and outreach performances and by moving from a small church hall to the Lensic Theatre which will provide more opportunities to engage students, arts, LGBTQ, and at-risk communities.

Noteworthy: 92% of LGBTQ youth say they hear negative messages about being LGBTQ, mostly in school, the internet, and from their peers. Government is cutting back on support for LGBTQ rights and arts. By increasing our outreach, we hope to increase understanding between people and help serve the arts community.

New Mexico Highland's University (NMHU) Foundation

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The NMHU Foundation supports NMHU and its communities. The mission of the New Mexico Painter's Exhibition is to expand awareness and access to significant works by local artists in northern New Mexico and to provide one of the only venues for group exhibitions of established and emerging painters.

Proposal: Funds will sponsor its 4th Annual New Mexico Painter's Exhibition, which will make the work of local artists accessible to northern New Mexico and Las Vegas communities. Funds will be used to cover artist talk stipends, advertising, reception, and administrative costs.

Noteworthy: Over the first 3 years of the New Mexico Painter's Exhibition, over 200 artists have exhibited their works, with at least 15 lectures given to NMHU students, faculty, staff, and the communities of northeastern New Mexico each year. Attendance is approximately 1,000 viewers each year.

New Mexico History Museum (NMHM) and the Palace of the Governors

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: The NMHM presents exhibitions and public programs that interpret historical events and reflect on the wide range of New Mexico historical experiences. We serve as a history center for research, education, and lifelong learning.

Proposal: A demonstration horno has been built in the Palace of the Governors courtyard, and we are seeking support for new interpretive programs. In creating a program at the Palace of the Governors that reminds us of our culinary heritage, we recognize how traditional foods have shaped our New Mexico culture and identity through time.

Noteworthy: Cultures have developed rituals, recipes, and stories centered on food. This program will move emphasis on significant events in history to re-examining the domestic history of New Mexico, engage visitors in interactive learning, and show how historic preservation can be brought to life.

New Mexico Music Commission Foundation (NMMCF)

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: NMMCF creates events and educational experiences to preserve and promote New Mexico's musical heritage and history; and works with the New Mexico Music Commission to bring music programs into classrooms where arts funding has eliminated essential music education.

Proposal: Funds will seed the next Platinum Music Awards—a celebration of New Mexico's musical heroes, as well as a showcase of the state's top musical talent. The awards raise money for the NMMCF's school programs, and increase awareness of our state's unique musical culture.

Noteworthy: The first Platinum Music Awards honored New Mexico music legends Bill and Bonnie Hearne, Arlen Asher, and Al Hurricane, with an educational advocacy honor to Catherine Oppenheimer. The highly acclaimed event at the Lensic launched a musical instrument drive to benefit Santa Fe Public School students.

New Mexico New Deal Preservation Association

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To promote the identification, documentation, preservation, and education of people about the New Deal visual and performing arts, literature, crafts, structures and environmental projects.

Proposal: The purpose of this grant is to conserve historical artwork held in the Bandelier National Monument collection, to collect oral histories from the community, and combine them to create visibility and public programming.

Noteworthy: The organization has identified and conserved artwork for 25 years and continues to need funds for this endeavor. To date, over \$500,000 has been spent state-wide. This grant seeks to continue with the restoration of 84 paintings by Pablita Velarde and historical tinworks, as funding becomes available.

New Mexico Performing Arts Society (NMPAS)

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To promote the work of New Mexico-based professional musicians, dancers, actors, and fine artists. NMPAS is committed to high-quality performances of established, well-known masterpieces and lesser-known or new works of art worth experiencing.

Proposal: Funds will help with 2017-2018 artist fees and related expenses. Now in its sixth season, NMPAS is known for locally sourced, high-quality performances that often include several art forms. Collaboration is a top priority. To date, NMPAS has collaborated with 35 arts presenters, educational institutions, and other non-profits.

Noteworthy: Sustainability of local music organizations is needed and requires a new operations model for performing arts presenters - there is a talent drain from New Mexico of young gifted musicians. NMPAS is trying to meet this need by working local artists without sacrificing the quality audiences expect.

New Mexico School for the Arts— Art Institute (NMSA)

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: NMSA provides access to a rigorous mastery arts and academic high school education for youth with passion and aptitude for the arts, leading to post-secondary learning, careers in the arts, and lives that contribute to society.

Proposal: NMSA, a public, statewide, residential, arts-focused high school, seeks support for its mastery arts training program in dance, theater, music, and visual arts. NMSA offers youth in New Mexico access to a level of arts training unavailable in their home communities and schools, and a rigorous academic education leading to a high school diploma.

Noteworthy: NMSA's students are drawn from the state's troubled public-school system. NMSA offers such students a blend of arts and academics that increases their chances of success. NMSA's selection as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School was based on its success in closing the achievement gap.

Northern Youth Project

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The Northern Youth Project works to better the outcomes and opportunities for rural northern New Mexico youth through hands on art, agriculture, community service, and leadership projects that honor the past and look to the future.

Proposal: Funds will continue, promote, and enhance our community arts program that offers unparalleled experiences in the arts to teens and young adults ages 12-21 from Rio Arriba County. Our program offers paid internships, and focuses on connecting healthy eating, team building, leadership, community service, and the arts.

Noteworthy: Northern Youth Project promotes positive activities for under-served rural youth. Statistics show that teens are isolated outside the school day, spend time watching TV, drink at others' homes, lack positive adult role models, and lack access to jobs, internships, and transportation (Rio Arriba Health Policy Document).

Ohkay Owingeh Housing Authority

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Established in 1997 to provide safe, decent and affordable housing to tribal members living on the reservation. Ohkay Owingeh Housing Authority is committed to revitalizing its spiritual center and historic core through conservation, rehabilitation and time-honored techniques.

Proposal: The Pueblo's 4 central plazas and heart, Owe'neh Bupingeh, have been the tribe's sacred center for 700 years. The project aims to restore the 56 traditional homes that frame the plazas, permitting contemporary life and cultural traditions to coexist. To date, 34 families have moved back into ancestral homes, reviving the present, past and future.

Noteworthy: 15 homes and associated infrastructure remain to be restored. The award-winning project has improved the economic and cultural lives of tribal members young and old. The plaza is a vibrant, living source of pride once again. \$3 million is required to complete the final phase of the restoration work.

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church strives to meet the spiritual, physical, and emotional needs of parish members and other members of the community.

Proposal: Our Lady of Sorrows Church houses a historic pipe organ built by famed organ builder George Kilgen in the 1880s, and the Organ Historical Society recently certified the organ as the oldest Kilgen organ still in operation. We seek support for a community-wide effort to fully restore this historic treasure.

Noteworthy: Las Vegas, New Mexico has more buildings per capita on the National Historic Registry than any other community in the nation. Preservation of this truly unique instrument is important to the very heart and soul of the minority-majority community of Las Vegas (80% Hispanic).

Parallel Studios, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Our mission is twofold - excellent, innovative art and expanded access. We believe in the capacity of new media arts to connect individuals to the power of the creative process. We are committed to reaching out to youth in our community, to broaden their appreciation and use of art and technology.

Proposal: Funds will support our program for at-risk youth. This program, one aspect of our Youth Media Makers Project, provides audio/visual training for a small group of teens and young adults. Following the training workshops, the students gain hands on learning participating as paid interns during the CURRENTS New Media Festival.

Noteworthy: We have 3 areas of focus: supporting the arts and the artists, engaging the community, and reaching out to youth to invigorate their love of learning and visions for their futures. In Santa Fe: 29% of youth deal with feelings of sadness/hopelessness; 40% of youth do not graduate from high school.

Pinyon Foundation (Jim Terr)

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Pinyon Foundation aims to inspire people of all languages and cultures to better their lives through media. We accomplish this goal by partnering with foundations, government agencies, non-profit organizations, and media companies to design, produce, and distribute radio and television programs.

Proposal: Funds will be used to complete writing of lyrics, story and music for Broadway-style musical "Teddy Roosevelt Slept Here," regarding Teddy Roosevelt's visit to Las Vegas, New Mexico in 1899 with his "Roughriders" from the Spanish-American war, who were also largely recruited here. Explores historical issues, and could be a significant economic boost to Las Vegas.

Noteworthy: Las Vegas, New Mexico is among the poorest cities in the U.S., depending heavily on public assistance and on tourist dollars. Income per capita for the city was \$12,619 compared to \$21,587 nationally as noted in the 2000 Census. If successful, this production could boost interest and increase tourism for the community.

Questa Economic Development Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To transition the Village of Questa to a diverse, sustainable and equitable post-mining economy.

Proposal: Funds will support implementation of the Questa History and Community Trail, a project spearheaded by a citizen-led group; the 1.5-mile route and corresponding Oral History website supports Questa's shift from a mining town to a broader tourism economy, while focusing on cultural preservation.

Noteworthy: Questa tracked 198 visitors in June. Red River, 12 miles away, tracked 6,000 visitors in June. Questa needs more tourist attractions and activities to increase economic development in the community; the History Trail can help fill that gap.

Sangre de Cristo Chorale

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To entertain, educate, unite and inspire singers and audiences by performing great choral music.

Proposal: The Sangre de Cristo Chorale requests funds for its upcoming 40th anniversary which will include concerts in Santa Fe and Los Alamos in the fall, winter, and spring. The Chorale provides excellent choral music for over 800 audience members, free tickets for anyone under 18, and an apprentice and scholarship program for young musicians.

Noteworthy: Over 20 years ago the Chorale expanded its mission to include youth development. Since then, the Chorale has hosted over 60 high school apprentices, has awarded scholarships to 43 students, and has seen many of these students go on to careers in the fields of music education and performance.

Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To bring together the world's finest musicians to perform chamber music in all its forms; build a broad, knowledgeable audience; be an advocate for contemporary music; provide diverse educational opportunities; and enhance the culture of New Mexico.

Proposal: Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival seeks to further expand its Music in Our Schools program in partnership with Santa Fe Public Schools, area Pueblo Day Schools and local Pre-K. The Festival trains teachers, provides classroom curriculum, and presents more than 90 concerts annually. This is the region's only Pre-K music program.

Noteworthy: Students involved in music programs show fewer discipline referrals, higher attendance/graduation rates, and increased grade point averages/test scores. With this in mind, the festival will continue to expand its music programs in our schools and will develop new Pre-K curriculum and partnerships.

Santa Fe Community Orchestra

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide opportunities for volunteer musicians to perform free concerts for a broad range of New Mexico audiences; provide free educational programs for all ages; present the work of New Mexico composers and soloists; support the musical and cultural life of Santa Fe and northern New Mexico.

Proposal: Santa Fe Community Orchestra presents a full season of free concerts and education programs accessible to students, seniors, families with children, and those on fixed or limited incomes. We provide opportunities for local musicians, composers, dancers, actors, and creative artists. Our Side-by-Side program serves public school music students and teachers.

Noteworthy: Santa Fe Community Orchestra serves 9 constituencies including musicians, choristers, composers, soloists, creative artists, students, our audience, and volunteers. The last 3 seasons, we premiered 5 new works and read 17 works by New Mexico composers and served 250 musicians, 180 choristers, 270 students, and 8,700 audience members.

Santa Fe Desert Chorale

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To excite, engage, and inspire diverse audiences with the beauty and power of great choral music.

Proposal: In addition to presenting professional choral concerts, Santa Fe Desert Chorale seeks funds to collaborate with arts and social service organizations to provide arts access for underserved individuals. Community engagement programming includes an annual community sing, and ongoing projects with the Santa Fe County Youth Development Center and the Interfaith Community Shelter.

Noteworthy: In 2016, 6,000+ audience members attended Santa Fe Desert Chorale concerts, the only professional choral concerts in New Mexico. 861 New Mexicans, 8th graders to 80+, enjoyed 17 free events. Santa Fe Desert Chorale works with the Interfaith Shelter during resource hours (100 guests daily) to foster community, and reduce violence and ER visits.

Santa Fe Opera

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To advance the operatic art form by presenting ensemble performances of the highest quality in a varied repertory of new, rarely performed, and standard works; to ensure opera's future with apprentice programs for singers and technicians; and to foster appreciation of opera among a diverse public.

Proposal: We request funds for 14 distinct education and community engagement programs serving 50,000+ New Mexicans annually at little to no cost, including pre-school, elementary and middle school programs, mastery programs for young singers and theater technicians, community concerts, an annual Spring Tour, Pueblo Opera Program, and Youth Nights at the Opera.

Noteworthy: The Opera knows firsthand the immediate and long-term benefits students reap when they're engaged in high-quality arts experiences. Not only is their cultural awareness expanded, but by engaging with their own creativity, students develop a deeper understanding of their own and other people's lives.

Santa Fe Performing Arts

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To utilize the performing arts as a tool for education, develop a professional company dedicated to innovation and excellence, and provide the community with a performing arts center that is affordable and fosters professionalism and collaboration.

Proposal: To fund operations to provide the community with a resource for performing arts education. Collaborate with other organizations and maintain a professional resident company and venue that welcomes innovation and variety; fostering a wide range of productions based on the needs and interests of the community.

Noteworthy: Students who study art are 4x more likely to be recognized for academic achievement and 3x more likely to be awarded for school attendance.

Santa Fe Pro Musica

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Santa Fe Pro Musica brings together outstanding musicians to inspire and educate audiences of all ages through the performance of great music. Now in its 36th year, the season consists of nearly 30 concerts in 3 historic Santa Fe venues and 25 educational outreach activities.

Proposal: Funds will support a multi-year initiative focused on presenting the work of some of classical music's most underrepresented: women composers and conductors. The 2017-18 season will feature composers Joan Tower and Missy Mazzoli, and leader/conductor and violinist, Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, on 3 separate programs.

Noteworthy: Of the 22 largest American orchestras in 2014-15, women composers accounted for 1.8% of the pieces performed (Baltimore Symphony Orchestra). Of the 103 ensembles with the largest budgets, 12 have female conductors. Of the top-tier 22 ensembles, 1 is led by a woman (League of American Orchestras).

Santa Fe Women's Ensemble, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The Santa Fe Women's Ensemble performs choral music from many centuries and cultures; promotes the creation of women's choral repertoire through performance, recording, and commissioning new music; and furthers its community involvement through education and outreach.

Proposal: Seeks to expand its free choral music outreach to marginalized youth requiring an updated, user-friendly website. By clicking website links to our social media sites, all can access our Facebook postings, hear concert performances on YouTube and find out about outreach events.

Noteworthy: A significant discrepancy exists between the total of paid concert audiences (1,023) and total audiences at free outreach events (213), of whom 11% are youth. A dynamic website effectively can reach marginalized youth who might otherwise not have access to choral arts outreach events.

Santa Fe Woodturners aka The Enchanted Woodturners

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To educate students, woodturners and the public about the art and craft of woodturning.

Proposal: Funds will provide materials and tools for students to use to create wood turned art pieces to measurably improve their abilities and potential for success.

Noteworthy: This program addresses 3 specific issues:

1. Offering alternative education, we are able to keep students in school and increase the low high school graduation rate.
2. We are providing a skill set to enhance their abilities and improve their job skills.
3. Students develop self-confidence and art appreciation.

Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To inspire and engage the youth (ages 6-18) of northern New Mexico's multicultural communities through excellent music education, the guidance of music professionals, and performance opportunities from small ensemble to full orchestra in jazz, mariachi, and orchestra.

Proposal: Funds will support our financial assistance program. Music program tuition is on a sliding scale and we are committed to access and inclusion for all interested students, regardless of their ability to pay. The benefits of learning to play an instrument greatly impact the educational, mental, and social wellness of our kids.

Noteworthy: According to New Mexico Voices for Children, 31% (157,000) of children in New Mexico live at or below the poverty line, compared to the national child poverty rate of 22%. Poverty reduces student health, educational opportunities, and success.

School for Advanced Research (SAR)

Requested Amount: \$15,000 **Mission:** SAR supports innovative research and public education through seminars, lectures, and residential fellowships; and promotes Indigenous creativity through artist residencies; and stewards one of the world's finest research collections of Southwest Native American art.

Proposal: Funds will support educational art programs and cultural/ historic preservation programs at the Indian Arts Research Center. Support will help SAR build capacity to provide arts education outreach for K-12 student learning programs that are critical in increasing cultural awareness and revitalization of traditions.

Noteworthy: New Mexico ranks 49th out of 50 in education, and UNESCO (2003) cites a lack of adequate funding for indigenous and underserved youth education programs. Exposing K-12 students to arts and cultures is important for building critical thinking skills, creativity, and cognitive ability.

Society of the Muse of the Southwest (SOMOS)

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: SOMOS supports and nurtures the literary arts, both written and spoken, honoring cultural diversity in the Southwest. Our vision is to see a community culturally enhanced and enriched through heightened literacy.

Proposal: In its 18th year, our year-round Youth Writers Program seeks support to serve youth ages 10-18 in Taos County by offering: 1) Writers-in-the-schools; 2) one to one mentoring; and 3) biweekly writing groups and seeks funds to expand and improve our programming. We serve over 500 students per year including at-risk youth in shelters and rehabilitation facilities.

Noteworthy: The adolescent suicide rate in New Mexico is the second leading cause of death in youth 10-24 years of age. Taos County has the fifth highest rate in the state of New Mexico. More needs to be offered to youth to provide outlets for self-expression and increase their self-esteem and confidence.

Stories for Change, LLC

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To use the process of storytelling to create effective communication campaigns that move audiences to action.

Proposal: Four families from the Adelante Program learn the technical side of making pictures, the history of photography, and how to tell engaging personal stories while we look at immigration issues, hunger, and homelessness in our community. We seek funding to share the finished projects through participatory events led by the participants.

Noteworthy: Although many students live in shelters and outdoors, at least half of our families live in crowded conditions. Adelante is governed by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, which defines homelessness broadly in order to provide services for families that are close to being on the streets.

Taos Center for the Arts

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Provide and support a wide range of cultural, artistic and educational activities enhancing the quality of life and reflecting the diverse community of northern New Mexico.

Proposal: The Taos Center for the Arts manages the Taos Community Auditorium and the Encore and Stable galleries providing media, visual, and performing arts. Funds will expand its multicultural and youth programs increasing active participation in visual, performance and media arts and to expand its arts education programs for all.

Noteworthy: The costs of artistic and program fees, facility overhead, and salaries is approximately \$395,000 of which \$166,000 or 42% is funded by admissions, rentals, and galleries' sales. The remaining 58% or \$229,000 is funded through donations, grants sponsorships, and Taos Center for the Arts private rental income.

Transformational Learning and Coaching, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To create and provide educational programs that use the arts as a tool to reach program goals and that encourage positive transformation and change and enhance quality of life for underprivileged youth or young people disadvantaged in any way.

Proposal: Funds will support its creative dual language after school program, Storytellers and Writers. Through storytelling, writing, and performance, English language learners in grades 3-12 learn to be successful communicators in both English and Spanish and provide a dual language performance for the community of their original stories.

Noteworthy: Santa Fe has 2,800 students who are English language learners. These youth live on the outskirts of Santa Fe's culture and are statistically profiled to dropout. By using the arts as a tool, the Storytellers and Writers program addresses their language needs and the need for them to develop purpose, identity, and a sense of belonging.

Unlocked Minds, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Unlocked Minds provides multidisciplinary arts programs that foster creative confidence and educational investment among youth. Utilizing diverse creative engagement strategies, we address marginalization, and advocate for broad action to end the social inequities that lead to juvenile incarceration.

Proposal: Funds will help provide cost-free, multidisciplinary arts programs that foster healing, self-expression, and educational investment among youth. Utilizing diverse creative engagement strategies, Unlocked Minds addresses the cycle of marginalization by advocating for community action to end social inequality and juvenile incarceration.

Noteworthy: A 2011 U-MI meta-analysis of 72 empathy studies of 14,000 U.S. college students showed a sharp 48% decline in emotional empathy since 1979. Olivia Gude, a professor at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, states, "arts education nurtures social/emotional needs of youth, helping them to be more empathetic towards others."

Vista Grande Public Library

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Foster life-long learning in a supportive community environment.

Proposal: Vista Grande Public Library seeks funds to purchase display cases for exhibiting 3/D art, a portable-wireless PA system to enhance presentations and demonstrations during art lectures and other programming, staff time for coordinating art presentations, and consumable materials for audience participation art demonstrations.

Noteworthy: 54% of the nonprofit Vista Grande Public Library's operational costs are paid for via donations and grants unlike most libraries that are governmentally funded. Over 270 practicing artists live in Eldorado at Santa Fe and support the library through the Eldorado Arts and Crafts Association.

Wholly Rags

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To piece together and rethread the fabric of Taos, gathering the cloth of the past to conserve the culture of the future. We recycle cloth to teach sewing, make patchwork quilts, put on art shows featuring recycled materials, and provide an open resource for the community.

Proposal: Funds will teach free sewing classes and workshops about using recycled materials. We provide a bountiful resource for creative projects for adults with learning disabilities, youth, and seniors. We organize an annual recycled art show in which many local and Santa Fe artists participate. We promote creativity in re-use and salvage.

Noteworthy: Too much waste is being generated by a society that consumes more than it needs. People on a low income are often not able to attend art classes, learn new skills or afford materials for projects. We offer free classes and materials in a friendly open place for people's creative cloth projects.

Wisdom Archive

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To preserve and celebrate traditional culture via universally accessible YouTube based video portraits of cultural masters at work around the world. In essence, to be a "video seed bank" of disappearing traditional culture.

Proposal: Funds will help support screenings of its films in communities throughout northern New Mexico, and to help establish a mentorship program with high school and college filmmaking students so that they can produce portraits about traditional elders in their own communities.

Noteworthy: Traditional elder artists, musicians and craftspeople in northern New Mexico are passing every day, often leaving no family member or other apprentice trained to carry on their work and knowledge. Wisdom Archive films preserve and celebrate their knowledge and memory for future generations.

Wise Fool New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Wise Fool New Mexico ignites imagination, builds community, and promotes social justice through performances and hands on experiences in the arts of circus, puppetry, and theatre. Participants develop their own connection to the arts and recognize that we are all capable of the extraordinary.

Proposal: Wise Fool Youth and Intergenerational programs culminate in spectacular community performances: Circus Comes to School, CircAspire, TeenBUST, and IGNITE Puppet Pageant. Support for these programs changes the lives of 2,000 youth while building strong bodies, life skills, and community. And audience members are inspired to jump the bounds of possibility!

Noteworthy: Involvement in the arts is associated with gains in math, reading, cognitive ability, critical thinking, and verbal skill. Arts learning can also improve motivation, concentration, confidence, and teamwork, and may lead to future career advantage since 1 in 10 jobs in New Mexico is in the arts economy.

Women's International Study Center (WISC)

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: WISC is dedicated to inspiring and enabling women around the world to achieve their full potential.

Proposal: WISC requests support for its ongoing Fellowships-in-Residence program. WISC welcomes individuals and groups working in the arts, sciences, cultural preservation, business, and philanthropy. Fellowship applications by women are accepted, as are those of anyone working in these focus areas as they relate directly to the interests and experiences of women.

Noteworthy: Per The Institute for Women's Policy Research's "The Status of Women in the States", U.S. women earn 78.3 cents for every dollar a man earns. This is just one metric that suggests WISC promotes gender equity by giving women support in their chosen fields through opportunities such as fellowships.

Health and Human Services



The Foundation strives to create healthy communities where racial, cultural, and economic differences do not limit access to health and support services. Specifically, we are interested in work that:

- 1** Improves the health of underserved residents of our region.
- 2** Improves access to affordable healthy food.
- 3** Strengthens the delivery of homelessness services.
- 4** Improves safety for children, women, families, sexual minorities and the elderly.
- 5** Supports public policy, civic engagement, community organizing or public information to improve the health and well-being of local residents.

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Grant Proposals



Adaptive Sports Program New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To enhance the lives of children and adults with disabilities through recreation.

Proposal: Adaptive Sports Program New Mexico seeks funds to open the door for children and adults with disabilities to enjoy adaptive skiing, water sports, rock climbing, yoga, and more. Funding will enhance program offerings for more individuals to enjoy adaptive sports. Participants build self-confidence, independence, and a network of support while improving their health and wellbeing.

Noteworthy: Adults with disabilities are 35% more likely to be inactive and 3x more likely to have heart disease, stroke, diabetes, or cancer. By creating the opportunity for those with disabilities to be active at any age, Adaptive Sports Program New Mexico provides the tools to live healthy lifestyles and combat these alarming statistics.

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of New Mexico Foundation

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: The ACLU of New Mexico seeks to maintain and advance the cause of civil liberties within the state of New Mexico. We fight to ensure that the promises of the Bill of Rights extend to everyone in our nation, regardless of race, gender, access to wealth, immigration status, or sexual orientation.

Proposal: The ACLU fights every day to protect liberty, justice, and equality in New Mexico and across the nation. Your support ensures that we are on the frontlines fighting anti-Muslim and anti-immigrant policies, reforming the criminal justice system, and expanding access to reproductive healthcare.

Noteworthy: New Mexico's prison and jail populations are rising, and we rank third worst for children experiencing parental incarceration. In a state that is consistently near the bottom in child well-being, we see a strong correlation between mass incarceration and the health of our families and communities.

Angioma Alliance

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To work with communities and medical professionals, including University of New Mexico Center of Excellence, to identify, diagnose, educate, and connect New Mexico families at risk for the common Hispanic mutation, a genetic cause of a brain blood vessel disease called cerebral cavernous malformation (CCM).

Proposal: We seek funds to inform, support, and empower individuals affected by CCM and drive research for better treatments and a cure. The Baca Family Historical Project launched in January 2017 to support New Mexicans who have the highest incidence of CCM in the world.

Noteworthy: The project benefits New Mexico families who carry the common Hispanic mutation form of CCM, a debilitating blood vessel illness. New Mexicans have the highest incidence of CCM in the world, with as many as 1 in 50 affected, compared to 1 in 500 in the U.S. Many live in underserved, rural areas.

Barrios Unidos

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Barrios Unidos addresses addiction, recovery, and multi-generational trauma. We bring together community volunteers and professionals to address the causes of cultural/family crises and provide healing pathways. We seek new ways to address addiction and cultural trauma.

Proposal: Barrios Unidos provides a safe place for recovering addicts and their families to meet and support each other. Licensed Barrios Unidos peer-support staff seek funds to provide formal substance abuse group therapy and referrals as well as wrap around services for inmate and outpatients at other treatment facilities to bridge the gap from treatment to recovery.

Noteworthy: Chimayo is at the center of the opioid crisis in New Mexico. Rio Arriba's overdose related death rate for 2012-2016 is 90 per 1,000 population. This is 4x the overdose related death rate of 24 per 1,000 population. Our community is the center of gravity for the opioid crisis in America.

Bienvenidos Outreach, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To provide food, clothing, and other basic necessities to those in need of aid in Santa Fe and the surrounding areas.

Proposal: Funds will continue to enhance our food programs by adding more healthy and nutritious food selections, especially for children, the elderly, and those suffering from medical conditions who are the most vulnerable of our clients.

Noteworthy: A 2014 study conducted by Feeding America and the New Mexico Association of Food Banks states that of those seeking emergency food assistance, 30% are children, 21% are seniors, and 16% are raising their grandchildren.

Big Brothers Big Sisters Mountain Region

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 mentoring relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. Our vision is that all children achieve success in life.

Proposal: Big Brothers Big Sisters 1-to-1 youth mentoring builds soft skills like grit, self-control, critical thinking, curiosity, and resiliency in ways schools and families sometimes can't. We seek funds to pay for mentor background checks, match activities, and training for program specialists so they can provide high level match support.

Noteworthy: Mentoring programs improve student connections and reduce absenteeism and disciplinary referrals (Gordon, Downey, and Bangert, 2013). Researchers suggest that both quality and accessibility of adult relationships are critical factors in preventing adolescent suicide (Seeley, Rohde, and Jones, 2010).

Breath of My Heart Birthplace

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Breath of My Heart is bringing into reality a place that celebrates pregnancy and birth as a sacred rite of passage through midwifery care along with promoting wellness, growth, and healing in our multicultural communities by honoring women as our first environment.

Proposal: Breath of My Heart Birthplace is an Española Valley midwifery clinic and developing birth center that will use funds to improve access to quality prenatal care, and improve maternal health outcomes in rural and frontier communities of northern New Mexico, serving families through culturally-appropriate midwifery modes of care.

Noteworthy: Low income women of color and young women in the Española Valley experience structural barriers to healthcare creating greater risk of poor perinatal outcomes. 30% of young women and over 35% of Native American women do not currently access prenatal care at adequate levels.

Cancer Foundation for New Mexico (CFFNM)

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To help save lives by providing the needed support to enable every northern New Mexican with cancer to access treatment in Santa Fe. All money raised by CFFNM is used in the community.

Proposal: CFFNM ensures access to treatment in Santa Fe for northern New Mexicans with cancer. Support includes mileage reimbursement, overnight lodging, and grocery cards. To date no qualified patient has been turned away. An ongoing endowment campaign will secure the future of this mission.

Noteworthy: In the past 12 months CFFNM assisted with more than 16,000 cancer patient visits to Santa Fe, an increase of 45% over previous 12 months. Demand for services from in-need cancer patients increased dramatically with mileage reimbursement up 32%, lodging up 17% and grocery card distribution up 25%.

Caregivers Workforce Development Institute (CWDI)

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The CWDI was founded in 2014 to operate exclusively for educational and charitable purposes to address, research, analyze and disseminate data on the frontline direct care workforce.

Proposal: CWDI seeks to deliver “Stress-Busting for Family Caregivers” to family caregivers in Santa Fe County. This program will arm caregivers, many of whom have poor physical and mental health outcomes due to the stressors of caregiving, with stress management tools and support.

Noteworthy: Between 40-70% of family caregivers have clinically-significant symptoms of depression. Approximately 20-50% of caregivers meet the diagnostic criteria for major depression. 59% report their health has gotten moderately or significantly worse since taking on their caregiving role.

Casa Milagro

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To create a safe, trusting, and nurturing living environment for adults with mental illness, giving them hope and a set of skills for a future with purpose and meaning.

Proposal: Funds will help maintain our unique residential housing for adults who were homeless due to their mental and emotional health disabilities. Casa seeks to initiate stronger life skills and strategic programs aimed at fostering safety, security through self-management, and the transition to successful independent living.

Noteworthy: At least 1 in 5 homeless people suffer from mental illness, yet Casa Milagro is the only affordable group residential home in New Mexico that specifically serves these sober, non-violent, mentally ill adults. Casa Milagro offers the compassionate support and advocacy residents need to be safe and stable.

Catholic Charities of Southern New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To alleviate suffering by caring for the poor and less fortunate while addressing the root causes of poverty in our community. We believe solutions can be found through cross sectorial problem solving to help children and families lead more productive, happy lives.

Proposal: Funds will support the creation of the Families First Initiative, a program connecting community stakeholders, faith communities, and local nonprofits to find a holistic solution to poverty in our service area.

Noteworthy: The Families First Initiative addresses several problems in Dona Aña county including: high rates of poverty, unemployment, incarceration, poor child wellbeing, weak family support systems, access to health care, especially for mental health, high rates of high school drop-outs, obesity, diabetes, drug abuse, and suicide.

Children's Grief Center of New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To provide a safe and supportive environment where youth and their families can share experiences and feelings while grieving the death of a loved one. Children's Grief Center of New Mexico has served over 5,500 children and their families since 2001.

Proposal: Funding will help expand and sustain our family grief services. Funds go towards our year-round programs which include bereavement support groups, Camp Corazon, and various other support events. Children's Grief Center of New Mexico provides free and unlimited services to grieving New Mexican children and their families statewide.

Noteworthy: The U.S. Census Bureau states that 5% of U.S. youth will lose a parent before age 18; totaling 26,750 kids in New Mexico alone. However, this does not account for sibling, grandparent, and other deaths - so the need for support is greater. Children's Grief Center of New Mexico works to mitigate dangers associated with unresolved childhood grief.

Coalition to Stop Violence Against Native Women (CSVANW)

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To stop violence against Native women and children by advocating for social change in our communities. The CSVANW takes ownership and responsibility for the future of Native women and children by providing support, education, and advocacy.

Proposal: Funds will increase our capacity to support Native American community and family engagement in the movement to break the cycle of violence and further develop our violence prevention and intervention efforts in the Santa Fe area and neighboring northern pueblos.

Noteworthy: 4 in 5 Native women and men (84.3%) have experienced violence. More than 56% have experienced sexual violence and 55% have experienced physical violence. We are working to end violence and break the cycle in our Native families to preserve the health and wellbeing of our future generations.

Comedor de San Pascual, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide regular free community meals and opportunities to socialize for children and adults, and to provide supplementary food to persons of need.

Proposal: Comedor de San Pascual, an independent, all-volunteer outreach organization, seeks to continue to provide a meal twice weekly, and offer more food pantry bags, fresh produce, and bread to persons in the Las Vegas community 2 evenings a week. Both meals and food pantry bag items are combined with the intent to provide balanced food options.

Noteworthy: This past year, our numbers have doubled, from around 200 meals and 90 food pantry bags a month to around 1,000 meals per month and 360 food pantry bags, as requests have increased for supplemental food. A food pantry bag (6.2 lbs.) is equivalent to 5 meals, per USDA standards.

Coming Home Connection, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Coming Home Connection trains, places, and coordinates volunteers to provide free or low-cost supplemental support and in-home care for low income individuals and their families in Santa Fe and northern New Mexico.

Proposal: Funds will help provide high quality free and low-cost in-home care to residents of Santa Fe and surrounding areas, who are uninsured and under-insured. We specialize in care of the elderly, including dementia respite, the chronically ill, disabled, and end-of-life. This year we are expanding our services to reach more Spanish speakers and veterans.

Noteworthy: The New Mexico State Plan for Alzheimer's and Related Dementia estimates that by 2025 New Mexico will have 43,000 people with dementia. A 2016 AARP survey found 66% of family caregivers feel stressed, finding it difficult to get rest (59%), exercise (48%), or keep a healthy diet (36%) and are in need of respite.

Community Against Violence, Inc. (CAV)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To foster and support a community free from all forms of domestic and sexual violence.

Proposal: CAV requests funding for high-quality and comprehensive services, based on best-practices, to child and adult survivors of domestic and sexual violence trauma, and violence prevention programming. Support of CAV allows for continued exemplary programming for Taos and surrounding north central counties of New Mexico.

Noteworthy: CAV provided services to over 580 individuals and family survivors of domestic and sexual violence and nearly 4,000 crisis calls in Taos County in FY 2016. CAV's Northern New Mexico Children's Advocacy Center handled 190 cases of abuse and neglect in northern New Mexico in FY 2016, which rose to 243 in FY 2017.

Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety (CCNS)

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To protect all living beings and the environment from the effects of radioactive and other hazardous materials now and in the future.

Proposal: CCNS works to protect our health, air, and water from Los Alamos National Laboratory pollutants. In 2018, proposals to clean-up or leave radioactive, toxic, and hazardous waste in unlined, volcanic tuff dumps will be out for public comment. Funding is needed to enhance public, social media, and media outreach.

Noteworthy: Cleanup at other Department of Energy sites, such as the Fernald site in Ohio, have proven that removal of radioactive, toxic, and hazardous pollutants from unlined dumps have reduced groundwater contamination by more than 90%.

Court Appointed Special Advocates, First Judicial District

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To support and promote court-appointed volunteer advocacy so that abused and neglected children in Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, and Los Alamos Counties, can be safe, establish a permanent home, and have the opportunity to thrive.

Proposal: Funds will foster children who have experienced physical, emotional, or sexual abuse and place them in a safe loving forever home. Our court appointed volunteers are fierce advocates of the most traumatized and vulnerable children in our community.

Noteworthy: Court Appointed Special Advocates campaigned for over 170 foster children in FY 2016 (many of whom were babies), ensuring hurt children know there is a caring adult watching out for them, and there is clear advocacy in and out of court so these children have the relationships and services they need to be happy and thrive.

El Ranchito de los Niños, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: El Ranchito de los Niños is a nonprofit children's home dedicated to keeping New Mexico sibling groups together who would otherwise be separated in foster care. Our children are raised together as a family in a rural farm setting where they are given responsibilities and the best education possible.

Proposal: El Ranchito seek funds to provide a stable, long-term home for New Mexico siblings (0-18) as an alternate to foster care. The children are raised together as a family in a rural farm setting. They are given opportunities they would not have access to otherwise with the belief that education can break the cycle and mold these children into self-supporting young adults.

Noteworthy: Average stay is 3 years with many staying 10+. This provides opportunity to catch them up to grade level as most arrive 2-3 years deficient. We've achieved 100% graduation rate as compared to 30% in traditional foster care. Most of our children are first in their families to graduate from high school.

El Valle Women's Collaborative

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: El Valle Women's Collaborative seeks to enhance the lives of women and families living in the Pecos River Valley through economic development and the promotion and advocacy of health and wellness.

Proposal: Funds will support the incubation of a mobile rural healthcare cooperative to provide wrap around maternity care services within an identified provider shortage area. Initial phase includes training, partnership building, community surveying and pilot site selection.

Noteworthy: According to the New Mexico Department of Health, 58% of primary care physicians in New Mexico practice within urbanized counties, however, "more than 1/3 of births are to residents of rural and semi-rural areas, presenting challenges in service provision and transportation." At this time, women from our community must travel a far distance to receive healthcare.

Equality New Mexico Foundation

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To be a trusted partner, and to uplift the voices and leadership of our community in creating a reality of equity, full access, and sustainable wellness for LGBTQ New Mexicans. We envision a world in which oppression is obsolete and all aspects of identity are honored.

Proposal: Funds will support the New Mexico Safe Schools Initiative, an established multi-organization collaborative focused on improving bullying prevention programs, practices, and policies. We seek to improve attendance and youth resiliency through creating safer and more culturally competent school environments.

Noteworthy: Recent data indicates over 10,000 New Mexico students miss school each month because they feel unsafe. The New Mexico Safe Schools Initiative seeks to prevent educational disconnection by implementing activities based on the need to give adults in schools the skills to better support students.

Esperanza Shelter for Battered Families

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To empower people to live violence-free lives. Esperanza embraces people from all walks of life and discriminates against no one. All services are free of charge to victims of domestic abuse and their children.

Proposal: Esperanza Shelter seeks funds to operate its 24/7 crisis hotline, emergency shelter, and nonresidential counseling programs for women, children, and men. During the upcoming fiscal year, Esperanza will be expanding its outreach efforts to educate the community (both children and adults) about preventing and understanding domestic abuse.

Noteworthy: Every year, Esperanza Shelter manages approximately 1,000 client visits to its emergency shelter and a variety of non-residential programs. 98% of Esperanza's clients live at or below the poverty line. 65% are women, 12% children, 23% men. Esperanza's services are free for all domestic violence victims.

Farm to Table, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To promote locally based agriculture through education, community outreach and networking. Farm to Table enhances marketing opportunities for farmers; informs public policy; and, furthers understanding of the links between farming, food, health, and local economies.

Proposal: Through this public/private sector initiative, residents of Santa Fe city and county low income housing and senior services will increase awareness and use of food and nutrition programs that are not currently accessible. The initiative will maximize opportunities for purchases of locally grown produce by individuals and institutions.

Noteworthy: Approximately 14% of the population of the city/county are considered food insecure. Santa Fe anticipates that by 2020 the senior population, 65+ in the city limits, will be 26,856. There are over 20,000 seniors residing in Santa Fe County, potentially tripling by 2040.

Feeding Santa Fe, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To provide supplemental food on a weekly, year-round basis to hungry families, individuals, and those facing food insecurity.

Proposal: We seek funding for up to 900 food bags given weekly to low income families, individuals, seniors, and veterans struggling to put food on the table. Included is a drive-thru food pantry and outreach efforts to serve those not aware of the program, elderly and disabled without transportation.

Noteworthy: According to the New Mexico Voices Policy Brief - Helping Food Insecure Households in New Mexico Afford Healthier Choices, food insecurity affects 17% of New Mexico's entire population and 28% of New Mexico's children. New Mexico ranks 8th in the U.S. in overall food insecurity and 3rd in child food insecurity.

Food Depot

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: The Food Depot fosters healthy communities by engaging a network of partners and developing solutions for a hunger-free New Mexico.

Proposal: As the food bank for 9 northern New Mexico counties, The Food Depot seeks funds to alleviate hunger by providing over 430,000 meals each month to 60,000 people in need. This critical service is achieved through 5 direct service programs and by providing food to 145 partner nonprofit programs such as food pantries, shelters, and hot meal programs.

Noteworthy: Hunger is a growing crisis in northern New Mexico. According to Map the Meal Gap 2017, 13.4% of New Mexicans in The Food Depot's service area are food insecure. The number of children going hungry is more alarming: 13,630.

Friends of the Santa Fe Public Library

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To support the public library by providing funding, advocacy, programming, services, and materials that enrich our diverse community.

Proposal: The Friends seek funding for a program coordinator to prepare and conduct a Spanish bilingual books and babies reading program at the Santa Fe Public Library. Research demonstrates that reading to babies as young as 6-months, leads to stronger vocabularies and better early literary skills 4 years later, just as the children are getting ready to go to school.

Noteworthy: Reading proficiency and literacy are key to success in life, yet basic reading levels hover at 30% among Santa Fe public school students. 20% of New Mexico adults only have level-one literacy (difficulty with simple print news or sales receipt math).

Friendship Club

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To provide and maintain a safe, multi-use community center that promotes sober meetings and events focusing on mental, spiritual, and physical recovery. We provide an inviting supportive environment where people in recovery from addictions can heal and help one another.

Proposal: Our need is for additional space which we would have by continuing to remodel the upstairs of our new building which we purchased in 2014. We raised money to remodel the downstairs and would like to finish the upstairs 1,200 sq. ft. Our hope is to reduce the number of people stuck in addiction by giving them a space to obtain sobriety.

Noteworthy: We have grown the number of weekly meetings from 60 to 66 and increased the number of our people seeking recovery coming through our doors from 200/day to 225/day. By completing the upstairs, we will add a space to better serve the recovery community of Santa Fe and surrounding communities.

Gerard's House

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Gerard's House creates safe places for grieving children and teenagers where healing happens through acceptance and peer support, improving the mental, emotional and behavioral health of youth and families in Santa Fe and northern New Mexico.

Proposal: Funds will provide free, bilingual grief support services for children and teenagers coping with devastating losses, such as the death of a parent. Funds will support mobile units that reach vulnerable and marginalized youth where they are (their schools, homes, and in homeless shelters), allowing healing to begin.

Noteworthy: Of 1,003 participants in 2016, 65% were living in poverty and 40% were from immigrant families. A 14-year-old participant said, "You know when a school is on lockdown? That's how my brain felt, like it was on lockdown. Now that has changed. I can express myself. It's not stuck inside of me anymore."

Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To create girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place.

Proposal: Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails' "My 3 Sisters," is a nutrition, healthy cooking, and healthy living education program tailored for Native American girls. Our program equips girls with the ability to make healthier choices in school, home, and everyday life and in a way that is aligned with their cultural traditions.

Noteworthy: A 2015 New Mexico Department of Health report on childhood obesity showed Native American students are significantly more likely to experience obesity than any other racial group. By third grade, half (50.4%) of Native students are either overweight or obese, which can lead to serious health related issues such as diabetes.

Habitat for Humanity Taos, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity of Taos brings people together to build homes, community, and hope.

Proposal: Funds will help serve more low income individuals by expanding our low income housing initiatives; affordable volunteer built homes, and our repair programs, A Brush with Kindness, and Minor Home Repairs which enable low income elderly, veterans, and disabled people to remain in their own homes.

Noteworthy: 90% of the year-round inhabitants of Taos cannot afford to buy a home, where the average price is over \$300,000. The median income in Taos is \$32,076. The tourist industry provides the majority of employment, most of it in low paying service positions.

Heading Home

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To make experiences of homelessness rare, short-lived, and non-recurring.

Proposal: Heading Home is a New Mexico nonprofit that runs several housing-first initiatives and programs. Albuquerque Heading Home (AHH) is a collaboration of community service providers bringing each agency's expertise to the project. AHH houses the city's most medically vulnerable persons experiencing chronic homelessness.

Noteworthy: Over 1,200 people experience homelessness on any given night in Albuquerque. Albuquerque Heading Home program target population is Albuquerque's medically vulnerable, chronically homeless population, of which 83% have behavioral or mental health and die on the street if not housed.

Healing Voices – Personal Stories

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To raise public awareness of women striving to overcome abuse through the creation and distribution of film and video.

Proposal: Funds will help support making films of domestic violence survivors and present programs in the community to increase public awareness, provide models for victims, and to show ways of healing.

Noteworthy: 1 in 4 women nationally are victims of domestic violence by an intimate partner. The statistics in New Mexico are worse. 1 in 3 women are victims. New Mexico ranks 3rd nationally in terms of incidents. Our organization addresses this problem showing victims there is a way out to rebuild their lives.

Health Action New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To serve as the organizational voice of health care consumers in New Mexico and to promote affordable, accessible, accountable health care for all people living in New Mexico.

Proposal: This project seeks funding to support family self-healthcare advocacy by training young sons and daughters (16-30) to understand and advocate for health care in their families, creating a consistent support system beyond what currently exists.

Noteworthy: In 2015, 17.8% of Santa Fe county had no health insurance and 28% had no primary care doctor. In the Santa Fe county's 2017 gap analysis project, many residents were not familiar with how to access and maximize benefits and utilize services. Santa Fe county mirrors the demographics in Mora and Rio Arriba counties.

HEART of Taos

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To provide emergency shelter, transitional housing, and support services for Taos women (and children and pets) experiencing homelessness or near homelessness. Our home-like community housing solutions maximize mental health and recovery.

Proposal: Funds will provide 2 key areas of desperately needed services: 1) emergency assistance, transitional housing and support services to Taos County women, children, and their pets experiencing homelessness; 2) eviction prevention services - landlord advocacy, emergency rent/utility assistance, and money management training.

Noteworthy: Taos has an estimated 100+ homeless individuals at any given point in time, the majority are women and children who are homeless due to economic reasons - insufficient income resulting from loss of job, inability to regain employment, aging/health, and loss of income-sharing partner.

Homewise, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To help create successful homeowners so that they improve their financial wellbeing and contribute to the vitality of our communities.

Proposal: Homewise offers free financial literacy education to help New Mexicans manage money, reduce debt, repair credit, and build savings in order to help build their long-term financial well-being through homeownership. Our services are free to any household and offered in both English and Spanish.

Noteworthy: Homewise has helped over 15,000 families build a foundation for financial health. In 2016, clients who came to us with financial obstacles and went on to purchase a home increased their credit score by an average of 63 points, realized a \$224 drop in monthly debt, and increased savings by \$6,906.

Identity, Inc!

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Identity, Inc! supports the LGBTQ community and allies in San Juan County, New Mexico by providing a safe space and opportunity for growth through education, training, self-expression, and links to community resources.

Proposal: As the only LGBTQ Community Center in New Mexico, it is our focus to maintain our presence in San Juan County. In doing so, we will continue to offer a safe place for anyone seeking solace, support groups, classes focused on personal growth and access to computers and internet. A grant to general operating funds will allow us to place money where needed.

Noteworthy: We offer the only LGBTQ focused support services in the region. 34.9% of the population of San Juan County live below the poverty line and 19.7% live below 50% of that line. The accessibility of free internet, support groups, and classes to the local population is exacerbated by this poverty.

IMPACT Personal Safety dba Resolve Violence Prevention

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To prevent violence by building skills and inspiring individuals to be agents of personal, community, and cultural change.

Proposal: Resolve seeks funds to teach LGBTQ youth and adults skills to prevent violence in their communities and defend themselves and others against violence through collaborations with schools and community organizations. Resolve works to not only equip “out” youth, but also to create better environments in which students can feel safe coming “out.”

Noteworthy: According to the GLSEN 2015 National School Climate Survey, 85.2% of LGBTQ students reported verbal harassment, and 27% reported physical harassment. In our classes, 89% of LGBTQ youth report experiencing past abuse or assault.

IMPACT Personal Safety dba Resolve Violence Prevention

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To prevent violence by building skills and inspiring individuals to be agents of personal, community, and cultural change.

Proposal: Funds will teach Native youth and adults skills to prevent violence in their communities and defend themselves and others against violence through collaborations with schools, pueblos and, nonprofits. Participants learn to change the norms that create violence and also learn bystander and self-defense strategies to prevent violence.

Noteworthy: 4 in 5 Native American adults (83 %) have experienced some form of violence in their lifetime, and more than half of Native women (56.1 %) have experienced sexual violence (NIJ, 2016).

IMPACT Personal Safety dba Resolve Violence Prevention

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To prevent violence by building skills and inspiring individuals to be agents of personal, community, and cultural change.

Proposal: Funds will support programs that teach youth and adults skills to prevent violence in their communities and defend themselves and others against violence through collaborations with schools, pueblos, and nonprofits. Our students learn to change the culture that creates violence and also learn concrete bystander and self-defense strategies to prevent violence.

Noteworthy: Our state has the 2nd highest per capita incidence of rape in the country and ranks 3rd for violent crimes (FBI, 2015). Prevention and early intervention is key, as 2 out of 5 victims experience sexual violence before the age of 18 (CDC, 2014).

Interfaith Community Shelter Group, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To provide safe, hospitable shelter, food, and clothing to men, women, and children experiencing homelessness in Santa Fe and to promote self-reliance by providing a point of entry to the other services necessary to make the transition from homelessness to stable housing.

Proposal: Interfaith Community Shelter Group's Day Services Program seeks funding to operate year-round resource days, with 14 partner providers so any needed services are readily available and the linkages between agencies barrier-free.

Noteworthy: According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 17.3% of Santa Fe's population of 70,297 is living in poverty. Santa Fe City estimates there are 1,500 homeless individuals and Santa Fe Public Schools' Adelante program counts 1,700. In a recent Housing and Urban Development report, New Mexico had the 5th largest increase in homeless veterans in the U.S., 30.9%.

Luciente, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To enhance the stability and quality of life for the families of Rio Arriba County. Luciente provides fiscal sponsorship and direct support for community projects and programs, focusing on community wellbeing, education, environment, and the arts.

Proposal: Funds will support our Community Food Initiative through buying fresh produce from farms in Rio Arriba County and giving it to the food pantry in Abiquiú. The initiative promotes the health of area residents by providing fresh local food and helps to address food insecurity.

Noteworthy: In our county, 4,550 residents (including 2,390 children) are facing food insecurity. Our county is the only one in the U.S. to be zoned entirely for agriculture and has more farmers than any other in New Mexico, yet 45% of the residents struggle to find and afford nutritious food.

Make-A-Wish® New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: We grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy.

Proposal: Funds will help grant the wish of every eligible child living in New Mexico, through growing awareness of the mission, the capacity to pay for their one true wish, and the ability to have long-term sustainability for the organization as children continue to be diagnosed with life-threatening medical conditions.

Noteworthy: It is estimated that 178 children will be diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition in New Mexico this year. Make-A-Wish will be able to grant 95 of those wishes, which means that 83 children will not get a wish. We are trying to close that gap to be able to reach every eligible child.

Many Mothers

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Many Mothers contributes to the health and wellbeing of communities by providing physical, emotional, and practical support to any family following the birth or adoption of a new baby.

Proposal: Many Mothers helps reduce stress in mothers with new babies which helps them create a strong attachment and secure bond with their baby. Staff and trained volunteers provide physical, practical, and emotional support over a 3-6 month period. Funds will allow us to recruit and train more volunteers and increase the number of families we support.

Noteworthy: Dr. Gabor Maté, an expert on addiction, stress and childhood development, believes: “the more stressed parents are, the more developmental problems you will find in kids.”

Mora Valley Community Health Services, Inc. (MVCHS)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To deliver excellent primary health care as well as an array of community services for Mora County residents. MVCHS envisions a healthy community with enhanced access and resources.

Proposal: MVCHS seeks funds for our Indigent Medication Fund, established in 2014. The purpose of this project is to provide necessary medication(s) to MVCHS patients deemed unable to afford medication(s). MVCHS serves patients regardless of their ability to pay. Medication is critical to improving and maintaining a patient’s health.

Noteworthy: MVCHS has 23 patients affected by Coronary Artery Disease, 80 affected by Ischemic Vascular Disease, and 498 patients with Hypertension. Of the 498, 194 patients are uncontrolled and 154 are Hispanic. MVCHS has 233 Diabetic patients; 59 of these patients have A1C result greater than 9.36.

Native American Social Work Program (NASWP) Advisory/Development Committee

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The NASWP Advisory/Development Committee commits to the establishment of a Native American Social Work Program at New Mexico Highlands University, School of Work based on indigenous helping processes of tribal and off-reservation communities. The committee aspires to motivate a similar effort throughout Indian country.

Proposal: The NASWP Advisory/Development Committee is a group of Native social workers working to establish the nation’s first Native Social Work Program at New Mexico Highlands University, School of Social Work. The program’s curriculum will equip students and current program personnel to more effectively address complex human service needs of tribal and off-reservation communities.

Noteworthy: Two-thirds of tribal and off-reservation social services program personnel are not professionally trained which contributes to high rates of out-of-home placement of children in non-Native foster and group homes and institutions and the consequent destruction of Native family life.

National Ghost Ranch Foundation

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide an affordable healing environment in which women and men with cancer can reclaim a sense of personal power and choice in the process of moving toward physical and emotional wellness as well as spiritual wholeness.

Proposal: Funds will support holding Courage Retreats which offer 5 days of support therapies to underserved women and men with cancer, with a sliding fee scale from \$30 to \$375, making it accessible to anyone in need in northern New Mexico. Our program addresses coping skills and tools to assist them in releasing emotions, identifying new choices for life, and reclaiming their courage.

Noteworthy: There will be 10,040 new cancer cases in New Mexico in 2017. With a 20% poverty rate in New Mexico, many cancer patients are also living in poverty. Poverty is a potent predictor of health outcomes. This retreat is reaching this underserved population by providing access via a low sliding fee scale based on income.

National Latino Behavioral Health Association (NLBHA)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To address behavioral health disparities through funding, research, programs, and training for Latino communities. We serve communities across the state and nation. Primary services include: mental health interpreter training, student scholarships, and consultation in program development for a Latino health workforce.

Proposal: Funds will provide continuing education online, and a 1 and 2 day group on-site behavioral health interpreter training to professionals and agency staff to improve language access to culturally/linguistically appropriate behavioral health services. NLBHA builds capacity of organizations to ensure limited English proficiency clients access to behavioral health services.

Noteworthy: New Mexico's health system struggles to ensure language access to clients through limited behavioral healthcare services. Staff is limited by insufficient resources devoted to language access training. 37% of New Mexico speaks another language other than English and the majority of clients are people of color.

New Mexico Alliance of Health Councils

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To improve the health of New Mexico communities by supporting and strengthening the state's 38 county and tribal health councils.

Proposal: The purpose is to strengthen New Mexico's county and tribal health councils, both individually and as a network, to serve as backbone organizations in their communities to address community health and health equity. Funding will support development of experience based training modules to be delivered to health councils and available online.

Noteworthy: The 33 counties and 5 Native American health councils lost core Department of Health funding in 2010. This operational funding cut forced health councils to find resources to recreate the structure, mission, funding, and function. We are creating a toolbox to provide resources to support health councils' development.

New Mexico Appleseed

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To end poverty in New Mexico through high-impact systemic change. We work to understand community barriers to exiting poverty like hunger, homelessness, and child abuse, then work to change policies at the local, state, and federal level.

Proposal: Funds will support "One Meal a Day," a campaign to ensure all children have access to free nutritious meals year-round. Support will help cover costs for training, technical assistance, and travel to help establish summer, after-school, weekend, and holiday meal programs at schools and community sites in northern New Mexico.

Noteworthy: Food insecure children experience health, behavioral, and school achievement disparities (Children's Health Watch). In the northern New Mexico area, about 14,450 (25%) children live in food insecure households, where members go without meals or make trade-offs affording food or other basic needs (Feeding America).

New Mexico Center for Therapeutic Riding

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To enrich and expand the lives of children, youth, and adults with special needs through equine-assisted activities and therapies. Informally, our program motto, "Changing Lives One Stride at a Time", illustrates the partnership of rider and horse as a means to enhanced health.

Proposal: Funding will provide life changing therapeutic horseback riding for individuals of all ages with special needs and at-risk youth/teens. The program promotes health, quality of life, joy, confidence, and independence; and for at-risk youth, provides internships, which builds leadership, job skills, and helps minimize negative behaviors.

Noteworthy: The need for therapeutic riding programs is enormous. The New Mexico Health Department cites a lack of adolescent physical activity in the Santa Fe County. Santa Fe has 10,000+ residents with disabilities, 1,563 special ed students, and 1,000+ at-risk/marginalized youth.

New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To lead a coordinated and effective response to domestic violence throughout the state. Our vision is a world free of violence and oppression.

Proposal: We are investing significant time and funding to capitalize on recommendations from a Legislative Finance Committee report to support large scale changes in the State's response to domestic violence perpetrators, improve victim services, promote effective outcomes for survivors and their children, and develop prevention efforts.

Noteworthy: Out of an estimated 45,000 domestic violence incidents each year, only 7% result in convictions of any kind. As a result of victim advocacy, 93% of survivors are more likely to trust their own sense of what will keep them safe and 88% are more hopeful about life's possibilities.

New Mexico Community AIDS Partnership

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To assure that diverse populations in New Mexico receive high quality, culturally appropriate HIV prevention, education, and care. We work with others to address social and economic inequities that affect individuals' and communities' access to healthcare and behavioral health services.

Proposal: Funds will help increase access to culturally appropriate prevention services for sexual and gender minorities through public policy and technical assistance. The New Mexico Community AIDS Partnership will work with state agencies, providers of healthcare, and behavioral health services to increase their ability to provide welcoming and clinically excellent care.

Noteworthy: Over the last decade, smoking has decreased in all other New Mexico populations but has increased among sexual and gender minorities. Gay and bisexual youth in New Mexico are 3-4x more likely to attempt suicide than heterosexual youth; suicide attempts among transgender youth are 10x more frequent.

New Mexico Farmers' Market Association (NMFMA)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: The NMFMA is dedicated to strengthening the local food system by supporting direct market agriculture producers and cultivating strong networks for a healthier New Mexico through statewide programming focused on public education, food access and nutrition programs, technical assistance, and advocacy.

Proposal: NMFMA is working to ensure that fresh, healthy, culturally-appropriate food is available and affordable for everyone in our communities. Funding will support the NMFMA's value chain coordinator to work with farmers, wholesale buyers, and grocery stores to increase access to locally grown produce for all.

Noteworthy: While Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, Mora, and San Miguel counties collectively have 4,084 farms that produce more than \$5.5 million annually in fruits and vegetables, within these same counties, on average, nearly 80% of the population consumes less than 5 servings of fruits and vegetables each day.

New Mexico Heart Institute Foundation

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: The New Mexico Heart Institute Foundation and Project Heart Start is dedicated to supporting education and research to enhance heart health for all New Mexicans.

Proposal: Funds will support the Heart Start CPR program. New Mexico Heart Institute worked with lawmakers mandating a CPR program be taught to all New Mexico students before graduation—our attention is now on Santa Fe schools. For 10 years our courses have taught over 100,000 New Mexican residents. With your help we will continue training students and adults for free.

Noteworthy: More than 300,000 people die each year from sudden cardiac arrest. We are losing valuable human resources in New Mexico due to a survival rate of less than 10% for individuals having a cardiac arrest outside of a medical facility. If more people learn CPR, we can greatly increase this survival rate.

New Mexico Kids Matter, Inc.

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To serve children who have been abused and neglected by training and supporting Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) volunteers to speak up and advocate for their safety and best interests in court, at school and in our community. Our vision is to provide a CASA for every child who needs one.

Proposal: Funds will help to recruit and train volunteers to become CASAs for Native American children who are in foster care. We are the only child advocacy group working in the court system that provides a caring, consistent adult focused on the wellbeing of a single child.

Noteworthy: Native American children are almost 4x more likely to be in foster care than other races (23% of the foster care population but just 5% of the overall child population in Albuquerque.) Over 250 Native American children from 50 different pueblos and tribes statewide are in foster care in Albuquerque.

New Mexico Legal Aid, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: New Mexico Legal Aid is the voice, defender, and advocate for poor people who are seeking justice in all forums, particularly in the communities in which they live. New Mexico Legal Aid is committed to help poor people in their struggle to access food, shelter, security, and to preserve their unique cultural heritages.

Proposal: Help defend communities' healthy food options by supporting New Mexico Legal Aid's advocacy for acequias. These centuries-old, New Mexican water democracies are the lifeblood of sustainable local agriculture, but powerful corporate interests seek to export their water. New Mexico Legal Aid attorneys defend acequias' rights to determine their own water future.

Noteworthy: Although acequias' historical sovereignty was strengthened by legislation in 2003, every year there are attempts to undermine acequias' authority that threaten permanent loss of water resources from their communities. New Mexico Legal Aid provides legal advice and representation to safeguard acequias' rights.

New Mexico Suicide Intervention Project (The SKY Center)

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To reduce the risk of youth suicide in Santa Fe County and northern New Mexico through cultivating resilience and strengthening family, school, and community connections.

Proposal: The SKY Center seeks funds to offer effective solutions for preventing youth suicide that address school climate, inclusion and safety, increased family support, positive peer relationships, and other conditions that strengthen youth resilience and impact the unique challenges and wellbeing of LGBTQ+ and other marginalized youth.

Noteworthy: Suicide was the 2nd leading cause of death in youth ages 15-24 in 2015. A 2014 CDC report shows a strong correlation between youth who are frequently bullied and their increased risk for suicide related behavior. The Sky Center has over 2 decades of experience reducing youth suicide risk.

New Mexico Voices for Children

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To improve the status, wellbeing, and racial and ethnic equity of New Mexico's children, families, and communities in the areas of health, education, and economic security by promoting public policies through credible research and effective advocacy.

Proposal: Funds will enable our team to convene a KIDS COUNT Conference in northern New Mexico in order to increase the knowledge base of and collaboration amongst organizations, service-providers, networks, institutions, and policymakers in order to advance evidence-based policy solutions to New Mexico's crisis in child wellbeing.

Noteworthy: New Mexico ranks 49th in overall child wellbeing, 49th in child poverty, 48th in economic wellbeing, and 50th in education. 30% of the child population lives in northern New Mexico. This population reflects great ethnic diversity but large disparities in child wellbeing indicators.

Nonviolence Works, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To inspire, train, and empower all people to lead lives of nonviolence.

Proposal: Funds will support development of a Children Youth and Families Department certified Residential Treatment Center for at-risk youth, ages 12-16, from Taos and nearby counties who have a history of violence and a diagnosed mental health disorder. We will provide comprehensive assessment/treatment for substance abuse and suicidal ideation, as well as a licensed onsite school.

Noteworthy: In northern New Mexico, in the last 10 years, 70% of youth in the juvenile justice system were diagnosed with a mental health disorder. Nationally, suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death for youth (16-24), with New Mexico the 4th highest. In the last year, 5 Taos youth were lost to suicide.

Northern New Mexicans Protecting Land, Water and Rights, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To lessen the stress of neighborhood tensions due to lack of information and fair representation. By providing an organization whose main goal is to unite and empower the community against prejudice and discrimination within the community.

Proposal: The Pueblo of Pojoaque Boys and Girls Club was closed to non-Native children in the Pojoaque Valley on August 11th, 2017, leaving many community children without after-school and summer programs. This grant will be used to create a new program for these children.

Noteworthy: Child care averages between \$4,000-\$6,000 per year. For a low income family, this expense may consume 35% or more of their annual income. Teens who participate in after school programs are 3x less likely to skip classes, use drugs, consume alcohol, and smoke than teens who do participate.

Not Forgotten Outreach, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Not Forgotten Outreach, Inc. is dedicated to motivating military, veterans and their families and gold star families of fallen heroes to participate in recreational and/or therapeutic activities in order to facilitate the healing process and reintegration challenges.

Proposal: Funds will support the Not Forgotten Outreach Wellness Center, which provides the following for free to military families: yoga, acupuncture, mindfulness/meditation classes, veteran drug/alcohol support meetings, therapy dog training, mental health and VA benefit counseling, VA caregiver support group meeting space and for other veteran organizations.

Noteworthy: Approximately 28 veterans and military family members visit our Wellness Center weekly to access our wellness services which include acupuncture, massage, a recovery support group, and information and referral to veterans' services state wide and nationally.

Peaceful Project

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To guide people to discover, honor, and live their unique life's purpose. The Peaceful Project programs assist participants in identifying their core values and connecting to a vision of the future that they truly desire.

Proposal: Funds will provide our 6-week experiential program Freedom to Be: You! for Girls, Inc. Santa Fe. Girls 9-11 will explore factors that enhance their ability to be influential, to effectively handle mistakes, to understand their emotions as guides rather than triggers, and to deepen empathy, vulnerability, and resilience.

Noteworthy: A review by The New York Times of research findings concluded, "social and emotional learning programs significantly improve students' academic performance" and emotional intelligence is strongly linked to staying in school, avoiding risk behaviors, and improving health, happiness, and life success.

Pegasus Legal Services for Children

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Pegasus Legal Services for Children promotes and defends the rights of children and youth to safe and stable homes, quality education and health care, and a voice in decisions that affect their lives.

Proposal: Funds will help increase our capacity to help New Mexico children and youth who are homeless, living with relatives, or are young parents themselves. Funds will also help vulnerable children find safety and security, and the essential services they need to develop their full potential.

Noteworthy: For every 1 child in foster care, 20 children in New Mexico are being raised by grandparents or relatives outside the foster care system, not including youth with no stable place to live at all. Many are also parents struggling to establish safe homes for themselves and their children.

Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains, New Mexico (PPNM)

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: PPNM, with our parent organization Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains, empowers people to make informed choices about their sexual and reproductive health by providing quality health services, sex education, and strategic advocacy.

Proposal: The Responsible Sex Education Institute program of PPNM will use funding to educate and empower individuals and communities to make responsible choices regarding their sexuality and sexual health through the provision of developmentally-appropriate and medically accurate sex education.

Noteworthy: According a recent Guttmacher Institute report on U.S. teen pregnancies, births, and abortions, New Mexico has one of the highest teenage pregnancy rates (72/1,000) nationwide. The New Mexico Department of Health indicates poverty, education, and access to services as risk factors of high teen birth rates.

Presbyterian Medical Services

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Presbyterian Medical Services designs and delivers quality accessible, integrated health, education, and human services in response to identified community needs of the multi-cultural people of the Southwest.

Proposal: Funds will sustain reliable, year-round, confidential family planning services to Santa Fe young people ages 12–19 to enhance their ability to make informed sexual health decisions.

Noteworthy: Birth rates for U.S. teens 15–19 have declined since their peak in the 1950's. That rate is down to 20.9/1,000 births today. However, New Mexico has the highest such rate nationally (34.2/1,000 teen births). Santa Fe's rate has declined, but in 2013–2015 was still 23.7. Teen health can be part of the solution.

Prosperity Works

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Prosperity Works builds the capacity of organizations and advocates for policies that generate economic prosperity for all New Mexicans.

Proposal: Prosperity Works is the only state-wide organization in New Mexico working on wealth and asset building strategies for low income New Mexicans. Funding will support development and implementation of asset building products, advocacy to address systemic barriers to financial stability, and integration of asset strategies into health systems and businesses.

Noteworthy: New Mexico currently ranks 50th in United States poverty levels, with nearly 21% of our population living in poverty. Prosperity Works seeks to lift individuals and families out of poverty through development and implementation of asset building programs and strategies.

R and R for Vets, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide roofs, repair roofs, and/or construction or repair of ramps to disabled veterans in need or to their surviving spouses at no cost to them using licensed, insured, bonded general contractors without profit.

Proposal: Funds will increase our capacity to repair/replace roofs or repair/provide ramps to those veterans or their surviving spouse in need, and to make available educational materials raising awareness about our mission and accomplishments. We serve America's heroes by giving them "A DRY HOME – A SAFE HOME".

Noteworthy: New Mexico is 1 of 2 states where more than 1 in 5 residents live in poverty. 5% of New Mexico veterans are unemployed; 30% of veterans in New Mexico have some disability. We serve veterans or surviving spouses in need living without funds for emergency roof and ramp services.

Railyard Park Conservancy

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To provide community stewardship and advocacy for the care and programming of the Railyard Park and Plaza. Railyard Park Conservancy maintains a vibrant, beautiful, safe community gathering place representing the history, values, and aspirations of the people of Santa Fe.

Proposal: Funds will help preserve and care for Santa Fe's 13-acre Railyard Park. Railyard Park Conservancy manages the City's only dedicated volunteer programming while advocating and providing resources for the horticultural maintenance and enhancement of the park, extensive free public programming, and managing public art in the Railyard.

Noteworthy: From January through July 2017, 306 students participated in our Outdoor Science Classroom program, and 2,825 volunteer hours have been donated by school groups, camps, and other organizations to help beautify the park and learn horticultural techniques while fostering community ownership.

Reunity Resources

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Reunity Resources is a northern New Mexico based 501c3 social enterprise with a zero-waste mission: it's our goal to reunite our waste streams with value for our community, such as sustainable food systems.

Proposal: Funds will support production and operational capacity to deliver year-round greenhouse produce cultivation for healthy afterschool meals. Expansion includes training and employment of disconnected youth in sustainable growing/composting practices to reduce the effects of climate change and poverty through improving local food systems.

Noteworthy: Map the Meal Gap 2011 states that 1 in 5 New Mexicans does not know where the next meal is coming from. Reunity Resources has partnered with YouthWorks, Food Depot, and MoGro in order to provide healthy organic produced meals for hundreds of food-insecure children while addressing waste via composting.

Ronald McDonald House Charities of New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Ronald McDonald House Charities of New Mexico provides comfort, care, and a home away from home for families whose children are in medical treatment.

Proposal: Ronald McDonald House Charities of New Mexico has had an unchanged, unduplicated mission to provide comfort, care, and a home away from home for families whose children are in medical treatment. Funds will support the healing presence of parents within reach of their hospitalized children.

Noteworthy: In 2016, the Ronald McDonald House provided lodging for 52 families with ill or injured children from Santa Fe County; they spent 513 nights at the House. Half of the families served had a premature birth and required medical services not available in Santa Fe.

San Miguel/Mora County Fair Association

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To strengthen our community through the power of youth.

Proposal: Funds will replace a leaking roof on our indoor exhibit hall. This building is utilized by 4-H groups, the Las Vegas FFA, and other community groups. The leaking roof has prevented the building improvements, renting for other community functions, and completing a commercial kitchen.

Noteworthy: In our community, there are few available sites for community group meetings, family celebrations, and other community events. Those available are unaffordable to many. Having a reasonably priced facility would aid all and promote a small income for the Fair Association.

Santa Fe Artist Medical Fund

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To assist with medical bills for painters, sculptors, or other kinds of artists.

Proposal: Funds assist with medical bills for painters, sculptors, or other kinds of artists who have earned at least 50% of their total income for the last 5 years from their art form. Artists must have had at least 1 one-person exhibit in a commercial gallery or museum in the last five years. Artists have no or insufficient health insurance (i.e. the Fund can be used to help pay a deductible).

Noteworthy: 64 million people, or approximately 35% of the U.S. population, said they had trouble paying bills or were stuck paying off medical debt in the past year, according to a survey by the Commonwealth Fund. Many artists in the Santa Fe community struggle to pay their medical bills.

Santa Fe Farmers' Market Institute

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To advocate for Santa Fe Farmers' Market farmers, ranchers, and other land-based producers; provide equitable access to fresh, local food; own and operate a year-round venue for the Santa Fe Farmers' Market; and manage programs to help sustain a profitable, locally-based agricultural community.

Proposal: We educate the community about the importance of local agriculture through a variety of outreach programs. Access to local food is increased by our Double Up Food Bucks and Fresh Rx programs. Through microloans and free trainings, Santa Fe Farmers' Market Institute improves the businesses of local farmers. Funds for these initiatives will help sustain a locally-based agricultural community.

Noteworthy: According to the New Mexico Association of Food Banks 2014 Hunger Study, 70,000 hungry New Mexicans seek food assistance every week. 75% of those report purchasing inexpensive, unhealthy food as the most common way to have at least some food at home to eat. Double Up Food Buck use increased 25% in 2016.

Santa Fe Habitat for Humanity

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To promote affordable home ownership for Santa Fe area residents by constructing simple, adequate, and energy efficient new homes and repairing or rehabilitating existing homes through the cooperative efforts of partner families, volunteers, and donors.

Proposal: Funds will ensure the continuation of our organization to provide services and programs to the community through: meeting our goal of going from building 6 to 7 homes a year, to building 8 homes annually for low income residents in Santa Fe County, and expand our number of clients served through our Home Repair/Rehab program.

Noteworthy: May 2016, the City of Santa Fe submitted an Affordable Housing Plan to the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority. The plan reported that as many as 5,300 residents are extremely cost burdened, paying more than 50% of their incomes for housing. The poverty rate in Santa Fe is 17.6% and national average is 14.7%

Santa Fe Indian Center

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: Santa Fe Indian Center is designed by and for American Indian people with the mission of supporting, promoting, and enriching our vital, diverse community by identifying and serving the needs and interests of our people.

Proposal: Santa Fe Indian Center is a resource organization dedicated to building community and serving the needs and interests of the Santa Fe Native American population. Funds will support youth programs, education/arts/culture programs, health workshops, community events, emergency assistance to individuals and families in need, and operating expenses.

Noteworthy: 72% of American Indian/Alaska Natives live in cities, and face inequities in resource access and allocation across all sectors of life. Urban Native centers, such as Santa Fe Indian Center, ameliorate the effects of marginalization by providing community-building, culturally relevant programs, resources and advocacy.

Santa Fe Mountain Center, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: We are dedicated to transforming lives and strengthening communities. We promote personal discovery and social change through behavioral health and wellness, and innovative learning experiences in wilderness, community, and cultural environments.

Proposal: Santa Fe Mountain Center is an evidence based, experiential learning and therapeutic adventure program. We seek funds to focus on empowering and improving individuals and communities.

Noteworthy: A national survey found nearly 30% of students are involved in bullying, either being bullied or bullying others (Espelage, et al, 2004). Any involvement in bullying often leads to other risk factors including higher rates of suicide, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, and substance abuse.

Santa Fe Need and Deed, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Helping adults experiencing homelessness to navigate social services, healthcare systems, and identify resources as they seek to become housed and obtain services for survival. Our mentors provide advocacy, encouragement, and a variety of services often missing in our homeless neighbors' lives.

Proposal: Funds will support our ongoing mentor program. We train community members to work long-term with homeless adults in conjunction with professional case managers, therapists, and doctors. We strongly believe this is one of the best programs to help folks regain dignity, health, and integration into our society.

Noteworthy: Santa Fe has approximately 3,000 homeless adults. While there are avenues for help, they are often too sick to maintain basic healthcare relationships. Our mentors walk alongside to provide much needed advocacy, encouragement, and more. The relationship is transformational for both the mentor and mentee.

Self Help, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Self Help is dedicated to supporting those in need in northern New Mexico. Since 1969, Self Help has provided consultation and advocacy, emergency financial assistance, and seed money grants to northern New Mexicans.

Proposal: Northern New Mexico families contend with myriad economic and social challenges. Funds will help sustain our continuum of services which provides basic needs such as food, housing, access to primary care, behavioral and addiction treatment, disaster recovery, case management and seed grants for vocational development.

Noteworthy: The food insecurity rate in Self Help's service area averages 15% of the population. Food insecurity indicates, "limited or uncertain access to adequate food during the year. Although food insecurity is harmful to any individual, it can be particularly devastating among children" (NM IBIS-2015).

Solace Crisis Treatment Center

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To provide all individuals who have experienced trauma with evidence-based treatment, advocacy services for navigating community resources, and education in order to restore strength and find inner resiliency.

Proposal: Funds will help children and families who have experienced sexual assault or violent crimes. Crime victims and other clients don't wait to receive counseling and services and they pay no fees. Clinicians' services include crisis stabilization, short-term therapy, and coping skills. Advocates coordinate cases and legal services.

Noteworthy: On-site, Solace helped 900. 4500 off-site, education and prevention against sexual violence. 15% of people we serve speak only Spanish. 68% of clients were Hispanic and 26% Caucasian. 74% very low income, 23%, low to moderate. Despite Affordable Care Act and Medicaid expansion, 45% had no health insurance

Somos Amigos of Northern New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$5,000

Mission: To bring people together to improve the health, safety and security of low income homeowners in northern New Mexico through performing minor repairs to their homes.

Proposal: Funding will help increase their capacity to assist low income residents in the counties of Rio Arriba, Santa Fe, and Los Alamos with home repairs. Many families live in housing that is in desperate need of repair in order to help keep families safe, secure, and healthy.

Noteworthy: Poverty rate in Rio Arriba County is 23.7% and over 70% of the housing is 30 years old or older. The 2015-2016 Rio Arriba Community Health Profile states that, two thirds of requests for loans for renovations have been declined. The elderly and children are disproportionately affected.

St. Elizabeth Shelter

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To assist homeless individuals and families by providing emergency shelter, food, case management, counseling, supportive housing and referrals to partnering human services agencies. Our ultimate goal is to end the cycle of homelessness.

Proposal: Funds will support our 5 residential programs (2 emergency shelters and 3 longer-term supportive housing apartment complexes) and outreach services to those still living on the streets that assist more than 2,000 homeless men, women and, children every year.

Noteworthy: St. Elizabeth assisted more than 2,100 homeless men, women, and children in 2016 by providing housing (43,449 bed nights), food (47,905 meals), case management and counseling (24,011 units), disbursements (42,499 items), and referrals (34,872), while moving 57% of those staying with us into housing.

Taos Coalition to End Homelessness, Inc.

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: The Taos Coalition to End Homelessness offers a safe haven for the homeless men of Taos County in cooperation with trained staff, foundations, state, county and community support.

Proposal: Funds will help improve our compassionate care of homeless men in Taos County and to expand our vital services as the only organization that provides emergency shelter, food, clothing, showers, and laundry to the homeless men in our community.

Noteworthy: There are an estimated 50-100 homeless men, women, and children in Taos County on any given night. The Taos Men's Shelter is the only facility of its kind north of Santa Fe. In 2016, the Taos Men's Shelter provided 6,019 bed nights to 279 men.

Tewa Women United

Native American Advised Endowment Fund

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: To provide safe spaces for Indigenous women to uncover the power, strength and skills we possess to become positive forces for social change in our families and communities.

Proposal: Tewa Women United requests funds to help address the need in Rio Arriba and northern New Mexico counties for effective strategies and resources for pregnant women caught in cycles of substance use, and providers working with them. Families will be invited to share their experiences in dialogue with the Care Coalition for Northern Families.

Noteworthy: Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) rates per 1,000 in Rio Arriba County are 29.5 compared to 6.9 for New Mexico (Rio Arriba County Early Childhood Data Profile 2014). NAS can occur when a newborn has been exposed to addictive substances while in the mother's womb.

Transgender Resource Center of New Mexico

Envision Fund

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: Transgender Resource Center of New Mexico is dedicated to serving the transgender communities in the state of New Mexico and provides resources which support, assist, educate, and advocate for transgender people of this state and their families and loved ones.

Proposal: Transgender Resource Center of New Mexico is the only agency in the state of New Mexico dedicated to serving the transgender community. We provide education to the general public about transgender lives and issues, individual and policy advocacy, and direct services to transgender people and their families. Please invest in sustaining and growing our vital work.

Noteworthy: The U.S. Transgender Survey (2015) reached 28,000 respondents. Nearly one-third of those (29%) were living in poverty, more than twice the rate in the U.S. population (14%). A staggering 40% reported having attempted suicide, consistent with the earlier 2009 survey. www.ustranssurvey.org

Young Fathers dba Fathers New Mexico

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Mission: To provide support, resources, and skills to promote healthy and responsible fathering in young families. Young Fathers nurtures connections between the father, the family, and the community to promote self, family, and community health.

Proposal: Fathers New Mexico nurtures connections between the father, the family, and the community to promote self, child, family, and community health. We seek funds to support fathers by providing discussion groups and case management for dads we primarily reach through high schools and juvenile justice programs.

Noteworthy: Father involvement has been shown to have positive effects in many areas. A comprehensive review of the impact of fathers' involvement on their children's development found that regular father engagement predicts "a range of positive outcomes" (Sarkadi, p.153).

Youth Shelters and Family Services

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Mission: Youth Shelters and Family Services delivers life changing shelter and support for homeless, runaway, and in-crisis youth. Our vision is to end youth homelessness.

Proposal: Youth Shelters and Family Services seeks funds to provide life-changing services to homeless, runaway and in-crisis youth up to age 24, including safe and stable housing. There is a tremendous need. Last year, the agency served 1,219 youth and family members. Most were from Santa Fe, Santa Fe County, and other counties in northern New Mexico.

Noteworthy: Based on available data, each night in Santa Fe as many as 100 youth are homeless. The McKinney-Vento program in Santa Fe Public Schools reported over 1,200 homeless students of all ages in 2016. Our state is the second poorest state in the U.S. with a child poverty rate of 28.6%.

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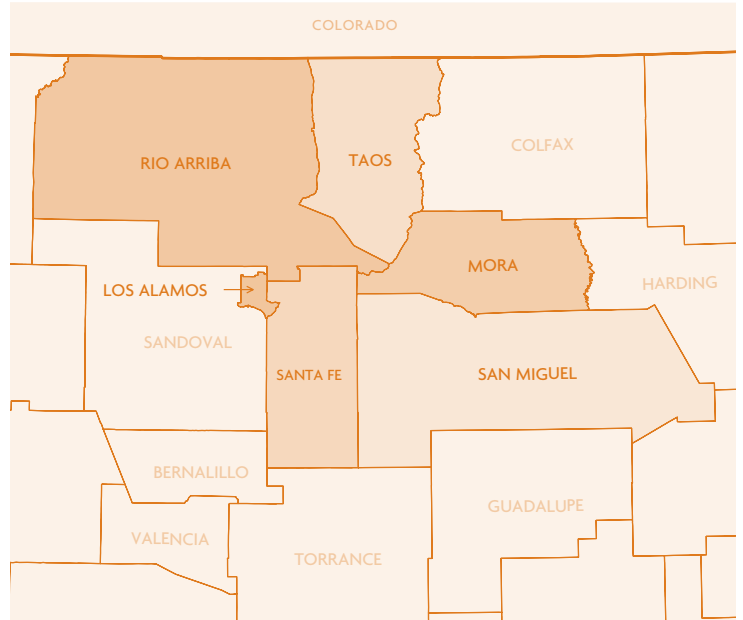
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