

New Mexico Department of WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

FY28 LFC BUDGET PRESENTATION

November 2026

SUMMARY OF REQUESTS

Base Budget Expansion		
Pre-Apprenticeship*	$	5,000,000
Be Pro Be Proud & HS Career Counselors*	$	2,000,000
Office of New Americans*	$	750,000
Aligned Case Management*	$	300,000
Medicaid Work Requirements*	$	1,500,000
Labor Relations Case Management	$	750,000
Rise NM	$	1,000,000
Total	**$**	**11,300,000**
GRO and NR		
Summer Internships with Employer Match*	$	500,000
Adult, Youth & Dislocated Workers (Local Boards)*	$	3,000,000
Local News Fellowships*	$	200,000
New MexiCorps	$	2,000,000
Expanded Wage Records	$	1,500,000
Total	**$**	**7,200,000**
Community Benefit Fund - FY 28, 29, 30	**$**	**17,000,000**
Innovation in State Government - FY 28, 29	**$**	**1,000,000**

* Have been previously funded with non-recurring state, federal, or private dollars

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PROGRAMS WE HAVE ONE-TIME MONEY FOR IN FY27 AND WHAT WE ARE REQUESTING IN FY28

FY27 Amount	FY27 Purpose	FY27 Source	FY28 Recommendation	FY28 Recommended Source
$ 1,500,000	Medicaid Work Requirements	Gen Fund NR	$ 1,500,000	Base Expansion
$ 200,000	Local News Fellowships	Gen Fund NR	$ 200,000	Gen Fund NR
$ 3,000,000	Adult, Youth & Dislocated Worker (Local Boards)	Gen Fund NR	$ 3,000,000	Gen Fund NR
$ 270,000	Internships with Employer Match	Gen Fund NR	$ 500,000	Gen Fund NR or GRO
$ 75,000	CDL Programs in certain counties	Gen Fund NR	$ -	
$ 250,000	Bilingual Behavioral Health Training	Gen Fund NR	$ -	
$ 5,295,000			**$ 5,200,000**	

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PROGRAMS WE HAVE MULTI-YEAR MONEY FOR IN FY27, AND WHAT WE ARE ASKING FOR FY28

Expiring Amount	Purpose	Sources and Fiscal Years Current	FY28 Recommendation	FY28 Recommended Sources and Fiscal Years
$ 600,000	Pre-Apprenticeship	GRO FY 25, 26, 27	$ 5,000,000	Base Expansion
$ 5,900,000	Pre-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship	Fed FY 25, 26, 27		
$ 600,000	Pre-Apprenticeship	GRO FY 27, 28, 29		
$ 575,000	Office of New Americans	Private FY 25, 26, 27	$ 750,000	Base Expansion
$ 2,000,000	Be Pro Be Proud	GRO FY 25, 26, 27	$ 2,000,000	Base Expansion
$ 1,000,000	Innovation in State Government	ISG FY 26, 27	$ 1,000,000	ISG FY 28, 29
$ 17,000,000	Community Benefit Fund	CBF FY 26, 27, 28	$ 17,000,000	CBF FY 28, 29, 30
$ 27,675,000			**$ 25,750,000**	

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OTHER BASE EXPANSION REQUESTS

Aligned Case Management (P778)
Existing Investment: $2,750,000 ($750,000 NR + $2M C2)
Request: $300,000 for 2 FTE and ongoing maintenance

Labor Relations Division Case Management System and Settlement Compliance (P776)
Existing Investment: $1,150,000 gen fund
Request: $750,000 for IT contract services and license renewals

RISE NM (P779)
Existing Investment: $3,770,000 federal funds
Request: $1,000,000 for ongoing IT and cybersecurity support and data analysis personnel

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OTHER NR/GRO REQUESTS

New MexiCorps
Enchanted Lands, Digital Navigators, Youth Mental Health Corps
Existing Investment: $1.25M
($300,000 OBAE, $100,000 private, $850,000 CBF)
Request: $2M GRO or NR

Expanded Wage Records
Soft unfunded mandate from USDOL, likely to become true unfunded mandate – the only truly new request
Request: $1.5M NR

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Appendix – Housing Requests

Strategies and Funding Requests

How	Funding	Legislation in 2027?	Rule change?
Solution 1. Increase local government permitting and entitlement capacity and incentivize streamlined processing techniques			
Training, technical assistance, model program development, grants for staff expansion, technology, include criteria for streamlining processes	$5,000,000 / year for 3 years (GRO)	No	No
Housing ecosystem workforce programs	$1,000,000/year for 3 years (GRO)	No	No
Statewide Housing Price Agreement	$500,000 recurring	Yes	New rules
Grants for local and regional infrastructure, housing and homelessness planning	$2,000,000/year for 3 years (GRO)	No	No
Solution 2. Reform local zoning and land use			
Adopt model codes, educate, condition funding on adoption of model codes	OOH base funding	No	No

Strategies and Funding Requests

How	Funding	Legislation in 2027?	Rule change?
Solution 3. Preserve affordable units			
Home rehab and preservation program to fill federal gaps	$5,000,000 recurring	No	No
Create statewide affordable housing preservation plan	$500,000 non-recurring	No	No
Affordable unit preservation pilot program	$500,000 non-recurring	No	No
Solution 4. Gap financing to subsidize construction while other issues are addressed			
Grant program	$50,000,000/year for 3 years (GRO)	No	No
Capital Outlay	$30,000,000 non-recurring	No	No
Homebuyer assistance programs	$5,000,000 recurring	No	No
Solution 5. Housing as Economic Development			
LEDA funds to expand manufactured housing industry	$25,000,000 non-recurring to EDD	No	No
Amend LEDA to clarify that housing is infrastructure	$0	Yes	No

Strategies and Funding Requests

How	Funding	Legislation in 2027?	Rule change?
Solution 6. Align funding ecosystem data and processes			
Collect, track, and map standardized data on all housing investments statewide	OOH Operational Funding	No	No
Align deadlines and application procedures, including providing technical assistance to local governments to increase efficiency	$0	Maybe	No
Solution 7. Modernize state building codes			
Broaden IRC applicability	$0	No	Yes
Modify stairway requirement	$0	No	Yes
Increase CID and MHD permitting and inspection capacity	TBD	Maybe	No

Legislative Priorities to Address Homelessness

How	Funding	Legislation in 2027?	Rule change?
Solution 1. Expand system capacity, focusing on high need populations			
Shelter system capacity building through training, technical assistance, enforcement of shelter standards and youth homelessness initiative	$5,000,000 recurring	No	No
Grants for projects and programs to address homelessness	$5,000,000/year for 3 years (GRO)	No	No
Solution 2. Focus on longer-term solutions			
Family Stabilization Program with schools	$4,000,000 recurring	No	No
Housing vouchers	$10,000,000/year for 3 years (GRO)	No	No
Solution 3. Improve state oversight and coordination			
Interagency Council on Homelessness	$200,000 recurring	Yes	No
Shelter standards	Part of OOH operating fund request	Yes	Yes