THE NEW MEXICO FINANCING INITIATIVE



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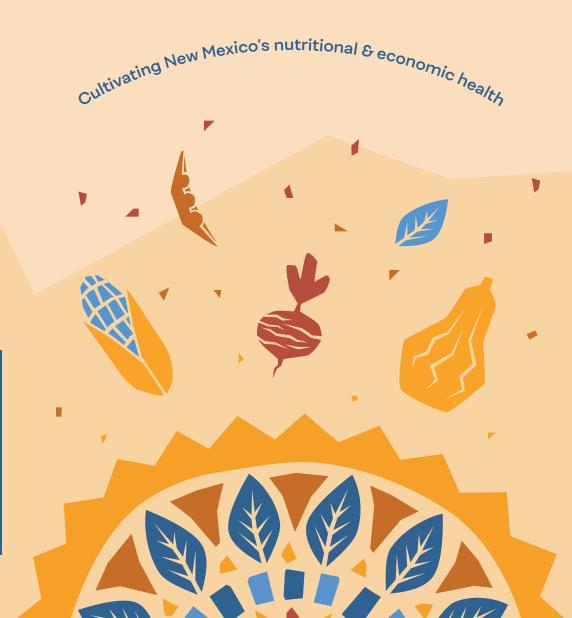
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Agriculture in New Mexico has incredible potential. Our agriculture is valued at over **\$2 billion**, and over **25,000 farms** in the state produce a variety of fruits, vegetables, nuts, grains, and dairy.



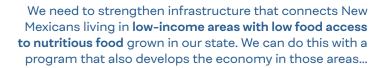


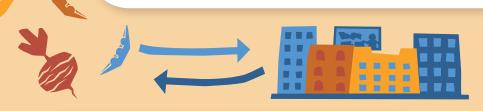
At the same time, 324,000 New Mexicans do not have access to enough food for a healthy, active life. That includes 118,030-nearly 1 in 4-children. According to the most recent estimate by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, almost 30% of New Mexicans live in low-income census tracts with low access to food retail.

New Mexicans living in low-income areas with low access to nutritious foods also struggle with diabetes, obesity, heart disease & other diet-related conditions. In 2017, 220,000 New Mexico adults had diabetes and over 28% suffered from obesity. Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the state.









THE NEW MEXICO HEALTHY FOOD FINANCING INITIATIVE

The New Mexico Healthy Food Financing Initiative is a statewide financing program created to finance healthy food production, aggregation, distribution, processing, marketing & retail projects that benefit underserved communities across the state. The program aims to improve the health of New Mexicans by increasing access to nutritious food. It also seeks to strengthen New Mexico's economy by creating jobs.





Financing

The program makes low-interest and forgivable loans available to food and farm businesses like farmers, food hubs & grocery stores to improve food access in our communities.

Join us in improving New Mexico's nutritional & economic health!