

# NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

## CULTURAL AFFAIRS FACILITIES INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

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## MISSION

- Build a more vibrant, resilient New Mexico by improving the quality of life, supporting culturally rich education, strengthening the creative economy, fostering a diversity of expressions, and preserving our cultural resources.

# ART & CULTURE'S ECONOMIC IMPACT IN NEW MEXICO

- In New Mexico, arts and cultural industries account for:
  - 1 in 18 jobs (5.5%)
  - The primary source of employment for over 43K New Mexicans
    - Equal to the state's construction industry
    - Larger than the manufacturing industry
  - \$1.37B in wages and salaries
    - Equal to the total paid by the state's mining industry
    - More than the total paid by hotels and restaurants<sup>1</sup>
- The National Governor's Association noted, "(a)n arts-based economy can enhance state efforts to diversify rural economies, generate revenue, improve quality of life, and attract visitors and investment."<sup>2</sup>

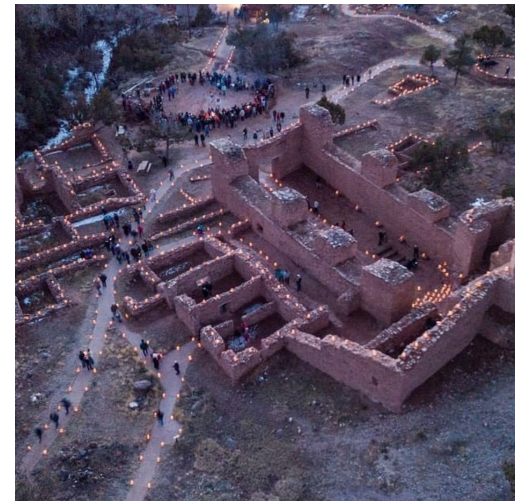
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# FACILITIES OVERVIEW

- 191 structures, 100 of which are on the State Cultural Properties and/or National Register of Historic Places; 1.3M square feet; over 1,000 acres
- DCA is responsible for the maintenance and improvements of those sites which includes:
  - 8 State Museums (Alamogordo, Albuquerque, Las Cruces, Santa Fe)
  - 8 Historic Sites & Properties (Jemez, Bernalillo, Fort Sumner, Radium Springs, Mesilla, Lincoln, Ft Stanton, Alcalde)
  - Center for New Mexico Archaeology (Santa Fe county)



# FACILITIES FUNDING OVERVIEW

- In 2017, DCA facilities and collections were valued by Risk Management Division at \$1 billion.
- A recent analysis shows justification for over \$50 million of needs through FY27
  - Historic structures are more expensive to maintain and renovate
  - Basic repair and replacement (e.g. leaking roofing, HVAC repair, water systems leaks, etc.); long term investments (e.g. photovoltaic systems)
  - Climate-controlled (humidity and temperature) are facilities necessary to preserve collections and exhibitions artifacts
- Affiliated foundations contribute private funding for special exhibits, new capital projects and educational programming, but do not raise private funds for building repairs and maintenance.

# CULTURAL AFFAIRS FACILITIES INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (CAIF)

- Created and initially capitalized in the 2020 session by the passage of SB 103
- Dedicated to pay the costs of repairing, renovating, planning, engineering, equipping and furnishing department facilities and exhibits.
- Managed by DCA and has received two appropriations from the Public Project Revolving Loan Fund (PPRF) totaling \$10M
- During the 2021 legislative session, the NMFA Oversight Committee endorsed HB 70 (the PPRF Omnibus Bill), which included the second appropriation from the PPRF to the CAIF
- Without the CAIF, DCA has no recurring, stable source of funding for repair and maintenance of facilities, unlike other agencies who also own their buildings and are not under the purview of the General Services Department.



# CAIF FY22 PROJECTS AND PROGRESS

- 95% of CAIF funds appropriated in FY21 to DCA have been spent or encumbered projects that are completed, or work is underway:
  1. \$1.1M to replace the water system at Fort Stanton Historic Site
  2. \$568k to upgrade lighting panels and electrical system at the NM History Museum
  3. \$345k for the Tunstall Store stabilization and work on the courthouse in at Lincoln Historic Site
  4. \$335k for boiler and chiller replacement at the Museum of Indian Art and Culture
  5. \$184k for upgrading HVAC controls at the NM Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum
  6. \$80k for HVAC unit at the NM Museum of Space History
  7. \$47k to address fire mitigation needs at Fort Stanton Historic Site
  8. \$40k to remodel restrooms at the International Museum of Folk Art
  9. \$36k for security camera upgrades at the National Hispanic Cultural Center
  10. \$24k for fencing and repairs and gate replacement at Los Luceros Historic Site

## QUESTIONS?

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