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Government Results and Opportunity Update

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Hearing Roadmap



- **Background**
- **Final GRO Evaluation Report Process**
 - Assessing Agency GRO Plans
 - Refresher: Assessing Quality
 - Appropriations Discussed This Hearing
 - WSD, HED
 - CYFD (discussed tomorrow)
- **2025 GRO Evaluation Plans**
- **Next Steps**
- **Questions**
- **Appendices**
 - 2025 Evaluation Plan Ratings
 - GRO Appropriations with Evaluation Reports due Fall 2026
 - 2024 GRO-D expenditures

GRO Background



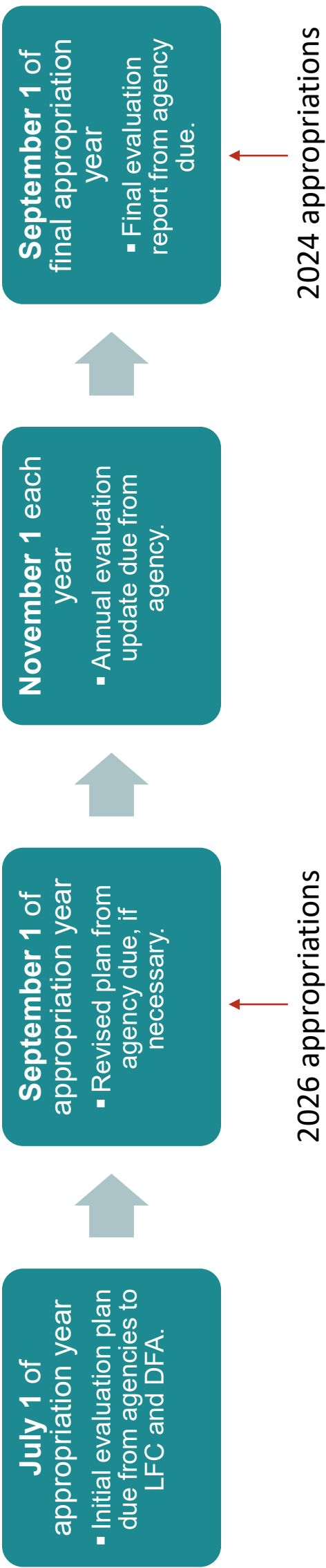
- In 2024, the Legislature created the Government Results and Opportunity Program and Expendable Trust Funds (GRO), and in 2025 the Public Education Reform Fund (PERF)
- **Goal of GRO and PERF is to determine what works before providing recurring funding**
- From 2024 through 2026, the state appropriated \$634.5 million from the GRO and PERF funds to 22 agencies, each fiscal year funding is 3 years across

	FY25	FY26	FY27
GRO	\$216 M	\$237 M	\$64.5 M
PERF	-	\$61.8 M	\$55.2 M
Total	\$216 M	\$298.8 M	\$119.7 M

Note: Funding includes money from the GRO or PERF funds and does not include GRO-D, which has a different process

- In 2026, the governor signed HB158 strengthening evaluation requirements. Previously, DFA and LFC agreed on evaluation requirements that were then codified by HB158.
- LFC budget guidelines recommend keeping annual fiscal year spending from the GRO to under 1 percent of the total general fund recurring budget, and to hold PERF recommendations under 1 percent of the total public school support recurring budget

Timeline of GRO



Final Report Implementation Considerations



- Reports for appropriations from 2024 and select 2025 appropriations will be due from agencies this year
- By **September 1***, agencies will submit a final report.
- Budget guidelines **direct staff to consider evaluation results** when supporting the development of budget recommendations.
- LFC and DFA supporting agencies by providing feedback if evaluation reports are submitted by **August 1**.

*statute states July 15, but allowing agencies more time to align with budget requests and PERF

2024 (FY25) Appropriations



Agency	Amount	Shortened Purpose
ECECD	\$15 M (\$5M/year)	To pilot a wage and career ladder for infant and toddler early educators
ALTSD	\$9.4 M (\$3.1M/year)	For the New Medicare program and to fund a study of the program.
HCA	\$15 M (\$5 M/year)	For a pilot to expand evidence-based behavioral health services, including screening brief intervention and referral to treatment and certified community behavioral health clinics.
WSD	\$6 M (\$2M/year)	For the implementation of a trades career exploration pilot and evaluation of outcomes of participants
WSD	\$1.8 M (\$600K/year)	To implement and evaluate youth-pre-apprenticeship programs.
OFRA	\$6.2 M (\$2.1M/year)	To conduct a pilot project and rigorous outcome evaluation of multidisciplinary team legal services for children, youth and adults whose children are in the custody of or are at-risk of being in the custody.
CYFD	\$1.7 M (\$563K/year)	To implement and evaluate outcomes of a pilot program to incentivize attainment of masters-level social work licensure to develop and retain caseworkers in the child protective services program.
CYFD	\$4.2M (\$1.4M/year)	For a pilot to expand implementation of multilevel response statewide in the child protective services program,
CYFD	\$3.75M (\$1.25M/year)	For recruitment, training and support of treatment foster care and foster care providers to support hard-to-place children.
CYFD	\$9 M (\$3M/year)	For a pilot to expand prevention and intervention programs, including safe care home visiting-
PED	\$60M (\$20M/year)	For educator clinical practice programs
PED	\$15 M (\$5M/year)	For stipends and pay differentials to fill hard to staff special education positions
HED	\$60 M (\$20M/year)	For Noncredit Workforce Certificates
HED	\$6 M (\$2M/year)	To pilot and evaluate the expansion of integrated basic education and skills training programs
NMIMT	\$1.5M (\$500K/year)	For geothermal resource development
SFCC	\$1.5M (\$500K/year)	For a suicide prevention training program

Assessing Final Evaluation Reports



What to listen for in agency presentations?

- a) What were the project’s goals?
- b) Did the evaluation have a comparison group to measure impact?
- c) How did the evaluation measure success?
- d) What were the results?

The reports and ratings will be used to give the legislature and executive information about whether to continue funding.

Outcome	Potential Recommendations
Positive Impact	Fund in base or continue nonrecurring
Unclear Impact	Continue nonrecurring funding
Negative/No Impact	Do not fund

Refresher: Determining Research Quality

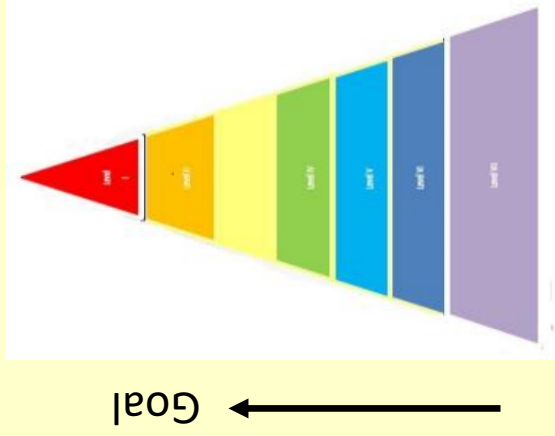


Research quality also depends on:

1. Soundness of the logic model
2. Quality of the study
3. Independence of the study
4. Adequacy of statistical tests
5. Adequacy of the reporting

The aim is to see evaluation plans that are moving toward more rigor.

Evidence Pyramid.



Level 1: Systematic Reviews & Meta-analysis of RCTs; Evidence-based Clinical Practice Guidelines

Level 2: One or more RCTs

Level 3: Controlled Trials (no randomization)

Level 4: Case-control or Cohort study

Level 5: Systematic Review of Descriptive and Qualitative studies

Level 6: Single Descriptive or Qualitative Study

Level 7: Expert Opinion

Source: UNM

Discussion of Select 2024 Appropriations



Workforce Solutions Department

Original Appropriation Year	Short Title	Purpose	Total \$ (\$1,000s)	FY26 Expenditures as of 7/6 (\$1,000s)	Total Expenditures as of 7/6 (\$1,000s)
2024 GAA	Trades Career Exploration (BeProBeProud)	PARTIAL VETO For the implementation of a trades career exploration pilot program targeted toward disconnected and disengaged young adults and evaluation of employment outcomes of participants.	\$6,000.0	\$1,648.4	\$3,648.4 (91% of available funding)
2024 GAA	Pre-apprenticeships	PARTIAL VETO To implement and evaluate youth re-employment, apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs targeted towards disengaged and disconnected young adults who are currently unemployed or at-risk of being unemployed and are not currently enrolled in high school.	\$1,800.0	\$498.1	\$1,098.1 (92% of available funding)

Discussion of Select 2024 Appropriations



Higher Education Department

Original Appropriation Year	Short Title	Purpose	Total \$ (\$1,000s)	FY26 Expenditures (\$1,000s)	Total Expenditures (\$1,000s)
2024 GAA	Noncredit Workforce Certificates	PARTIAL VETO For New Mexico community colleges and regional universities to pay up to the full cost of student tuition and fees for workforce training courses not eligible for other state financial aid and that result in an industry-recognized credential or endorsement. This funding may also be used to subsidize costs of students involved in apprenticeships or internships and for program development. Higher education institutions shall submit an implementation plan to the higher education department prior to receipt of funding and include identification of the types of certificates or credentials offered and the employers and industries eligible for internship and apprenticeship support. The higher education department shall distribute this funding to higher education institutions based on their proportional share of instruction and general funding no later than August 1st of each year	\$60,000.0	\$18,957.6*	\$33,037.1* (83% of available funding)

* Noncredit workforce certificates expenditure information from HED

Discussion of Select 2024 Appropriations



Children, Youth and Families Department (presenting Wednesday)

Original Appropriation Year	Short Title	Purpose	Total \$ (\$1,000s)	FY26 Expenditures as of 7/6 (\$1,000s)	Total Expenditures as of 7/6 (\$1,000s)
2024 GAA	Recruitment of social worker case workers	PARTIAL VETO To implement and evaluate outcomes of a pilot program to incentivize attainment of masters-level social work licensure to develop and retain caseworkers in the child protective services program. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of caseworkers with a masters-level social work license in a child protective services caseworker position and of masters-level social workers retained more than twelve months in protective services caseworker roles.	\$1,687.5	\$325.0	\$881.6
2024 GAA	Multilevel response	PARTIAL VETO For a pilot to expand evidence-based implementation of multilevel response statewide in the child protective services program, pursuant to Section 32-4-4.1 NMSA 1978. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of families receiving a multilevel response, the percentage of multilevel response eligible families who engage in services, the percentage of participating families in multilevel response who have a traditional child protective services investigation within a twelve-month period and the percentage of participating families in multilevel response with a substantiated case of child maltreatment.	\$4,200.0	\$652.8	\$667.8
2024 GAA	Treatment foster	PARTIAL VETO For recruitment, training and support of treatment foster care and foster care providers to support hard-to-place children. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of treatment foster and foster care families recruited, trained and have a child in custody of child protective services in their care, number of treatment foster and foster care families recruited and trained that maintain their provider status and the number of youth in child protective services care placed in an office, out-of-state, congregated care or shelter setting.	\$3,750.0	\$594.5	\$1,782.5
2024 GAA	Prevention and Intervention Program Expansion	PARTIAL VETO For a pilot to expand evidence-based prevention and intervention programs, including safe care home visiting, published in the federal Title IV-E prevention services clearinghouse or that may be reimbursed by medicaid. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of families participating in evidence-based community based prevention and intervention programs that are in the Title IV-E clearinghouse or eligible for medicaid reimbursement, the percentage of participating families subject to a child protective services investigation and the percentage of participating families with a substantiated case of child maltreatment.	\$9,000.0	\$1,369.9	\$1,670.5

Discussion of Select 2024 Appropriations



Public Education Department (presenting Thursday)

Original Appropriation Year	Purpose	Total \$ (\$1,000s)	FY26 Expenditures as of 7/7 (\$1,000s)	FY26 Expenditures as of 7/7 (\$1,000s)
2024 GAA	For educator clinical practice programs	\$60,000.0	\$16,308.4	\$33,475.4 (84% of available funding)
2024 GAA	For stipends and pay differentials to fill hard to staff special education positions	\$15,000.0	\$3,025.5	\$6,875.6 (46% of available funding)

FY26 (2025) Evaluation Plan Ratings



- **28** GRO appropriations in 2025 HB2, to **13** agencies, at **\$237 million**
 - Most were 3-year appropriations, but 10 were 2-year (meaning final reports are due this fall)
 - 13 evaluation plans were received, 2 agencies did not submit requested plans
 - Received no plans for 2-year appropriations, as agencies are likely focusing on final reports
- What to look for in evaluation plans?
 - a) Logic model
 - b) Performance measures
 - c) Existence of an independent evaluation plan
 - d) How the results will be communicated
- Overall, agencies reported strong logic models and performance measures, but evaluation plan quality varied. Most included outcomes, but only half of evaluation plans were set up to allow the agency to know if the program causes the intended impact
- Certain appropriations may not lend themselves to traditional evaluation. For those, LFC and DFA are suggesting assessing spending, and outcome-based performance measures to determine impact

Future GRO Pilot Appropriation Considerations



- Not all public investments lend themselves to rigorous causal evaluation. Appropriations that fund broad agency operations, multiple activities, or system-wide initiatives can make it difficult to isolate the effects of the funded intervention.
- Characteristics of Appropriations That Support Rigorous Causal Evaluation
 - Funds a clearly defined intervention or pilot.
 - Serves a clearly defined target population.
 - Is discrete enough that its effects can be distinguished from other programs or activities.
- The GRO Fund statute (HB158 2026) establishes causal evaluation as the standard for GRO-funded pilots; however, many of the 2025 GRO pilot appropriations do not readily lend themselves to rigorous causal evaluation.
 - e.g., RLD's appropriation for compliance officers, vehicles and equipment for the cannabis control division
- When considering requests or recommendations for GRO appropriations:
All branches of government should consider whether the request/recommendation lends itself to causal evaluation.

Next Steps



Information about GRO and PERF appropriations overall and individual appropriations will continue to be presented to LFC

November GRO and PERF hearings to discuss:

- **final evaluation reports (2024 and 2025 appropriations); and**
- **evaluation plans (2026)**

LFC and DFA staff will review reports and revise information provided to agencies to refine the process.

- DFA and LFC staff are working on a scorecard for recommendations on continued funding, which will likely have the following elements:

Appropriation Year	Agency	Purpose	Goals	Data	Study Quality	Results	LFC Rec
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Questions?

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Appendix: GRO Appropriations with Final Reports Due Fall 2026

Original Appropriation Year	Agency	Short Purpose	Purpose	Total \$ (1000s)	FY25 \$ (1,000s)	FY26 \$ (1,000s)	FY27 \$ (1,000s)	FY25 Expenditures	FY26 Expenditures as of 7/6(1,000s)	Total Expenditures To Date (1,000s)
2024 GAA	Early Childhood Education & Care Department	Wage and Career Ladder	PARTIAL VETO To pilot a wage and career ladder for infant and toddler early educators in classrooms with children whose families are enrolled in childcare assistance and to fund a randomized-control study of the program.	\$15,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$4,478.3	\$9,478.3
2024 GAA	Aging & Long Term Services Department	New Medicare	PARTIAL VETO For the New Medicare program and to fund a randomized-control study of the program.	\$9375.0	\$3,125.0	\$3,125.0	\$3,125.0	\$812.2	\$1,735.3	\$2,547.5
2024 GAA	Health Care Authority	SBIRT expansion	For a pilot to expand evidence-based behavioral health services, including screening brief intervention and referral to treatment and certified community behavioral health clinics, to sustainably bill medicaid once fully operational.	\$15,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$10,000.0
2024 GAA	Department of Workforce Solutions	Trade Career Exploration	PARTIAL VETO For the implementation of a trades career exploration pilot program-targeted toward-disconnected-and-disengaged-young adults and evaluation of employment outcomes of participants.	\$6,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$1,244.8	\$3,648.4
2024 GAA	Department of Workforce Solutions	Pre-apprenticeships	PARTIAL VETO To implement and evaluate youth re-employment, apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs targeted towards disengaged and disconnected young adults who are currently unemployed or at-risk of being unemployed and are not currently enrolled in high school.	\$1,800.0	\$600.0	\$600.0	\$600.0	\$600.0	\$498.1	\$1,098.1
2024 GAA	Office of Family Representation and Advocacy	Multidisciplinary Team Legal Services	To conduct a pilot project and rigorous outcome evaluation of multidisciplinary team legal services for children, youth and adults whose children are in the custody of or are at-risk of being in the custody of the children, youth and families department in Bernalillo and Dona Ana counties. The office of family representation and advocacy shall seek federal Title IV-E reimbursement for eligible multidisciplinary	\$6,187.5	\$2,062.5	\$2,062.5	\$2,062.5	\$1,920.4	\$2,034.3	\$2,034.3

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2024 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Recruitment of social worker case workers	PARTIAL VETO To implement and evaluate outcomes of a pilot program to incentivize attainment of masters-level social work licensure to develop and retain caseworkers in the child protective services program. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of caseworkers with a masters-level social work license in a child protective services caseworker position and of masters-level social workers retained more than twelve months in protective services caseworker roles.	\$1,687.5	\$562.5	\$562.5	\$562.5	\$556.6	\$325.0	\$881.6
			PARTIAL VETO For a pilot to expand evidence-based implementation of multilevel response statewide in the child protective services program, pursuant to Section 32-4-4.1 NMSA 1978. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of families receiving a multilevel response, the percentage of multilevel response eligible families who engage in services, the percentage of participating families in multilevel response who have a traditional child protective services investigation within a twelve-month period and the percentage of participating families in multilevel response with a substantiated case of child maltreatment.	\$4,200.0	\$1,400.0	\$1,400.0	\$1,400.0	\$15.0	\$652.8	\$667.8
2024 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Treatment foster	PARTIAL VETO For recruitment, training and support of treatment foster care and foster care providers to support hard-to-place children. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of treatment foster and foster care families recruited, trained and have a child in custody of child protective services in their care, number of treatment foster and foster care families recruited and trained that maintain their provider status and the number of youth in child protective services care placed in an office, out-of-state, congregate care or shelter setting.	\$3,750.0	\$1,250.0	\$1,250.0	\$1,250.0	\$1,188.0	\$594.5	\$1,782.5

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2024 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Prevention and Intervention Program Expansion	PARTIAL VETO For a pilot to expand evidence-based prevention and intervention programs, including safe care home visiting, published in the federal Title IV-E prevention services clearinghouse or that may be reimbursed by Medicaid. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly on the number of families participating in evidence-based community based prevention and intervention programs that are in the Title IV-E clearinghouse or eligible for Medicaid reimbursement, the percentage of participating families subject to a child protective services investigation and the percentage of participating families with a substantiated case of child maltreatment.	\$9,000.0	\$3,000.0	\$3,000.0	\$3,000.0	\$300.6	\$1,369.9	\$1,670.5
2024 GAA	Public Education Department	Clinical Practice	For educator clinical practice programs	\$60,000.0	\$20,000.0	\$20,000.0	\$20,000.0	\$17,167.0	\$16,308.4	\$33,475.4
2024 GAA	Public Education Department	Special Education Stipends	For stipends and pay differentials to fill hard to staff special education positions	\$15,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$5,000.0	\$3,850.1	\$3,025.5	\$6,875.6
2024 GAA	Higher Education Department	Noncredit workforce certificates	PARTIAL VETO For New Mexico community colleges and regional universities to pay up to the full cost of student tuition and fees for workforce training courses not eligible for other state financial aid and that result in an industry-recognized credential or endorsement. This funding may also be used to subsidize costs of students involved in apprenticeships or internships and for program development. Higher education institutions shall submit an implementation plan to the higher education department prior to receipt of funding and include identification of the types of certificates or credentials offered and the employers and industries eligible for internship and apprenticeship support. The higher education department shall distribute this funding to higher education institutions based on their proportional share of instruction and general funding no later than August 1st of each year	\$60,000.0	\$20,000.0	\$20,000.0	\$20,000.0	\$14,079.5*	\$18,957.6*	\$33,037.1*
2024 GAA	Higher Education Department	Integrated education and training	To pilot and evaluate the expansion of integrated basic education and skills training programs to provide basic skills and workforce development training or disengaged and difficult to reach adults who are unable to access other federal funds for integrated education training	\$2,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$2,000.0	\$1,882.2	\$1,523.4	\$3,405.6

* Expenditure data from HED not SHARE

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2024 GAA	New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology	Geothermal	For geothermal resource development	\$1,500.0	\$500.0	\$500.0	\$500.0		Not in SHARE	Not in SHARE	Not in SHARE
2024 GAA	Santa Fe Community College	Suicide prevention	For a suicide prevention training program	\$1,500.0	\$500.0	\$500.0	\$500.0		Not in SHARE	Not in SHARE	Not in SHARE
2025 GAA	Administrative Office of the Courts	Pretrial	For pretrial services.	\$2,400.0		\$1,200.0	\$1,200.0	\$0.0	N/A	\$827.8	\$827.8
2025 GAA	Administrative Office of the Courts	Turquoise call center	For call centers, including the turquoise call center.	\$1,600.0		\$800.0	\$800.0	\$0.0	N/A	\$800.0	\$800.0
2025 GAA	Second Judicial District Attorney	Court monitors	For court monitors and to implement competency provisions of Chapter 4 of Laws 2025.	\$500.0		\$250.0	\$250.0	\$0.0	N/A	\$243.9	\$243.9
2025 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Personnel re office child Advocate	For personnel to respond to inquiries from the office of child advocate contingent on enactment of House Bill 5 or similar legislation of the first session of the fifty-seventh legislature creating the office.	\$600.0		\$300.0	\$300.0	\$0.0	N/A	\$5.9	\$5.9
2025 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Case aides	For case aides to assist caseworkers in the protective services division pursuant to the remedial order in the Kevin S., et al. v. Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement agreement. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly to the legislative finance committee the number of case aide positions posted, the number of case aide positions hired and the number of case aide positions retained, by county. The children, youth and families department shall seek federal Title IV-E reimbursement for eligible expenses.	\$9,600.0		\$4,800.0	\$4,800.0	\$0.0	N/A	\$4,762.5	\$4,762.5

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2025 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Regional emergency response teams	To create regional on-call emergency response teams in the protective services division pursuant to the remedial order in the Kevin S., et al. v Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement agreement. The children, youth and families department shall report quarterly to the legislative finance committee the number of emergency response team positions posted, the number of emergency response team positions hired and the number of emergency response team positions retained, by county. The children, youth and families department shall seek federal Title IV-E reimbursement for eligible expenses.	\$5,600.0	\$2,800.0	\$2,800.0	\$0.0	\$1,314.5	\$1,314.5
2025 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Remedial order personnel	For personnel to provide data and meet data obligations pursuant to the remedial order in the Kevin S., et al. v. Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement agreement. The children, youth and families department shall provide the legislative finance committee with the documentation submitted to the Kevin S. arbiter in response to the remedial order which requires the children, youth and families department to provide documentation about how the department calculated the number and positions needed to meet Kevin S. agreement data submission requirements. The children, youth and families department shall seek federal title IV-E reimbursement for eligible expenses.	\$1,800.0	\$900.0	\$900.0	\$0.0	\$662.5	\$662.5
2025 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Foster care maintenance payment increase	For foster care maintenance payment rate increases. The children, youth and families shall report quarterly to the legislative finance committee the number of foster care families recruited, the number of foster care families with a child in the custody of protective services in their care and the number of children and youth in child protective services care placed in an office, out-of-state, congregate care or shelter setting. The children, youth and families department shall seek federal Title IV-E reimbursement for eligible expenses	\$5,000.0	\$2,500.0	\$2,500.0	\$0.0	\$2,457.7	\$2,457.7
2025 GAA	Children, Youth and Families Department	Operating expenses	For operating expenses contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 42 or similar legislation of the first session of the fifty-seventh legislature enacting a New Mexico Child Safety and Welfare Act.	\$5,200.0	\$2,600.0	\$2,600.0	\$0.0	\$2,059.1	\$2,059.1



Appendix: List of 2025 GRO Appropriation Evaluation Plan Ratings

Appropriation Year	Agency	Short Purpose	Years of Funding	Logic Model	Performance Measure	Evaluation Plan	Communication of Results	Notes
2025	AOC	For grants to judicial districts and criminal justice coordinating councils, based on the submitted regional plans to enhance regional case management, behavioral health grant writing, peer-operated crisis response and recovery support services, behavioral health, homeless outreach and engagement and family support services pursuant to the Behavioral Health Reform and Investment Act.	3	Most elements clearly defined.	Clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes	Causal evaluation with moderate to high rigor	No plan for communicating results.	Agency intends to contract with an independent evaluator to develop and conduct a rigorous evaluation. Plan for communicating results was not requested on our eval plan template.
2025	AOC	For the special court services program to provide legal assistance to individuals.	3	Only activities and outputs defined, no outcomes.	Only output performance measures, no outcomes	Implementation and outputs evaluation (non-causal)	No plan for communicating results.	Like many of the 2025 GRO appropriations, a causal evaluation doesn't seem to even make sense for the intended use of these funds. Plan for communicating results was not requested on DFA/LFC eval plan template.
2025	AOC	For the special court services program for electronic monitoring of pretrial defendants.	3	No logic model.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Causal evaluation limited rigor	No plan for communicating results.	Plan for communicating results was not requested on our eval plan template.
2025	AOC	For pretrial services.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	AOC	For call centers, including the turquoise call center.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	2nd DA	For court monitors and to implement competency provisions of Chapter 4 of Laws 2025.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	NMAG	For the office of the child advocate contingent on enactment of House Bill 5 or similar legislation of the first session of the fifty-seventh legislature creating the office.^	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	SPO	To implement the recommendations of the 2024 Personnel Act study.	3					Eval plan not submitted

Appropriation Year	Agency	Short Purpose	Years of Funding	Logic Model	Performance Measure	Evaluation Plan	Communication of Results	Notes
2025	RLD	For compliance officers, vehicles and equipment for the cannabis control division.		Most elements clearly defined.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	Public report	Like many of the 2025 GRO appropriations, this one does not readily lend itself to a rigorous causal evaluation.
2025	RLD	For law enforcement officers for the cannabis control division, contingent on enactment of House Bill 10.		Most elements clearly defined.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	Public report	Like many of the 2025 GRO appropriations, this one does not readily lend itself to a rigorous causal evaluation.
2025	DGF	For agency capacity building to conserve species of greatest conservation need, including the American beaver.	3					Eval plan not submitted
2025	HCA	For medical services for incarcerated persons up to ninety days prior to release, including case management, medication-assisted treatment, thirty-day supply prescription drugs and other medical services.		Most elements clearly defined.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	Public report	The evaluation WILL be conducted by a third-party, but the design is 'descriptive time series' which is not quasi-experimental.
2025	HCA	To support food banks statewide and ensure access to nutritious food with up to fifty percent of the first-year appropriation used for expanding capacity and the remainder for food purchases.		Most elements clearly defined.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	Public report	Like many of the 2025 GRO appropriations, this one does not readily lend itself to a rigorous causal evaluation.
2025	HCA	For food for women with high-risk pregnancies and people on the community benefit.		Most elements clearly defined.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Causal evaluation with moderate to high rigor	Public report	Pregnant woman study seems rigorous, community benefit seems less so.
2025	HCA	To provide medical respite for the homeless.		Most elements clearly defined.	Most are clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes.	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	Public report	
2025	CYFD	To fund personnel costs to meet Kevin S., et al. v. Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement caseload standards.		Most elements clearly defined.	No performance measures.	Implementation and outputs evaluation (non-causal)	No plan for communicating results.	No mention of how data will be reported or how the time series analysis will be conducted
2025	CYFD	To establish, pilot and review the outcomes of a child welfare training academy.		Most elements clearly defined.	Clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes	Causal evaluation limited rigor	No plan for communicating results.	How does CYFD define quality child welfare practice? Increased specificity re outcomes would improve logic model



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2025	CYFD	For personnel to respond to inquiries from the office of child advocate contingent on enactment of House Bill 5 or similar legislation.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	CYFD	For case aides to assist caseworkers in the protective services division pursuant to the remedial order in the Kevin S., et al. v. Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement agreement.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	CYFD	To create regional on-call emergency response teams in the protective services division pursuant to the remedial order in the Kevin S., et al. v Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement agreement.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	CYFD	For personnel to provide data and meet data obligations pursuant to the remedial order in the Kevin S., et al. v. Blalock, et al., No. 1:18-cv-00896 settlement agreement.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	CYFD	For foster care maintenance payment rate increases.	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	CYFD	For operating expenses contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 42 or similar legislation	2					Eval plan not requested (final eval due Sept 1 2026)
2025	NMCD	For medication-assisted treatment.	3	Only activities and outputs defined, no outcomes.	No performance measures.	Causal evaluation with moderate to high rigor	Report to DFA/LFC	Logic model, should be more specific as to how to measure each outcome. For reporting, plan states will report to legislative stakeholder but does not specify timeline.



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2025	HED	For a distribution to state-controlled four-year degree-granting higher education institutions for student retention initiatives.		Most elements clearly defined.	Clearly defined, mixture of outputs and outcomes	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	No plan for communicating results.	Logic model could benefit from more specificity
2025	NMSU	For the college assistance migrant program.		Most elements clearly defined.	No performance measures	Implementation and outcomes evaluation (non-causal)	No plan for communicating results.	Unclear what performance measures are used to monitor interim performance and no information regarding how results will be communicated.
2025	NMSU	To coordinate, plan, design, implement, operate, promote and establish a statewide online education program in partnership and coordination with other state education institutions. Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026 shall not revert and may be expended through fiscal year 2028		Most elements clearly defined.	Performance measures written but not clearly defined.	Causal evaluation limited rigor	Public report	Increased outcome specificity for the logic model and performance measures would be helpful. Unclear if annual reports are public or private.