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OUTDOOR RECREATION DIVISION





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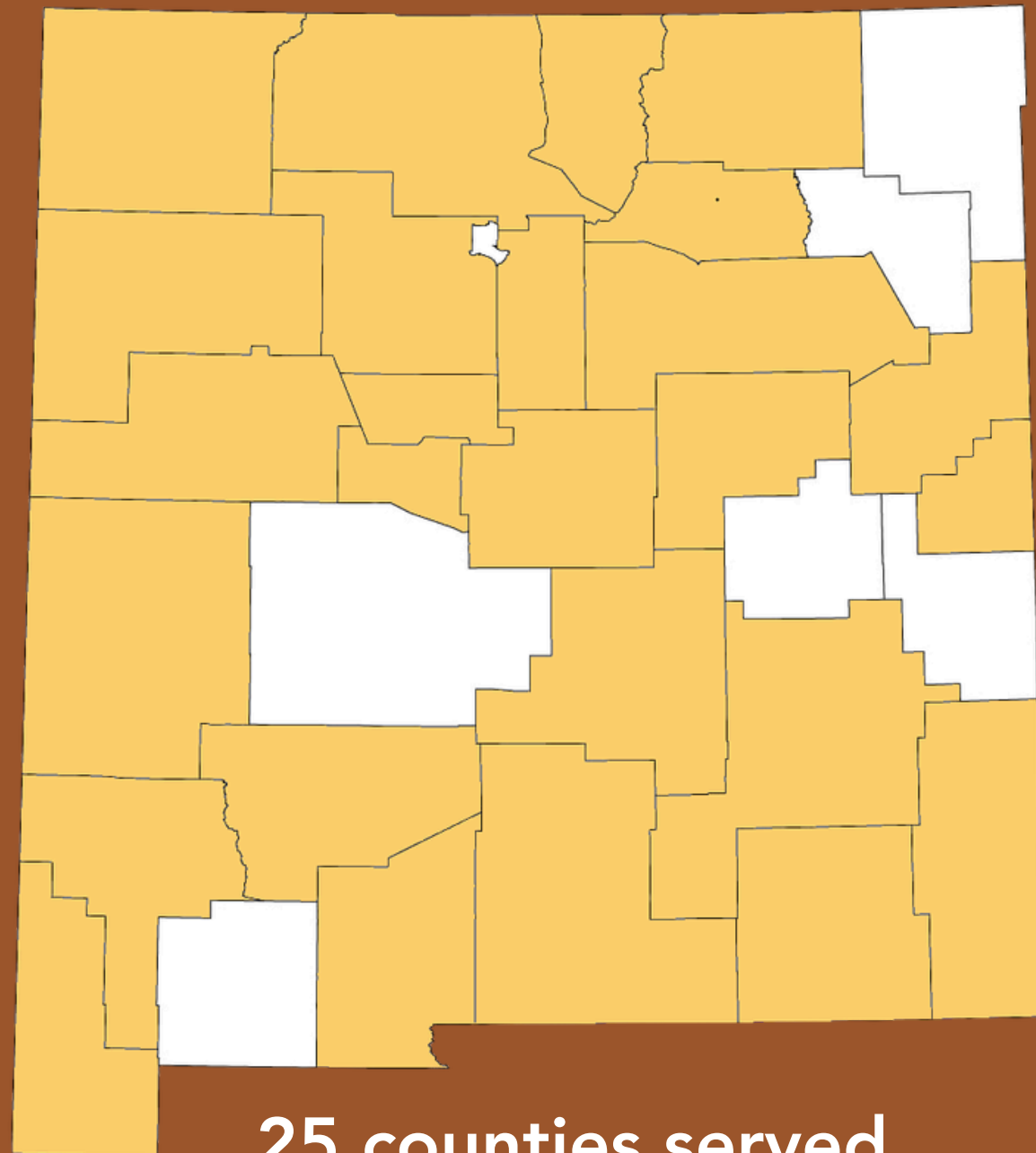


- ▶ Created in 2019
- ▶ First-of-its-kind grant in the nation
- ▶ Provides outdoor recreation experiences to under-represented, marginalized, and low-income youth





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25 counties served



\$12.8 million
awarded



145,000+
NM youth served



461 awards



241 rural & Tribal
recipients



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123 PROGRAMS FUNDED IN FY26:

- ▶ 74 included workforce development components (self-identified)
- ▶ 43 included conservation/restoration/trail work experiences





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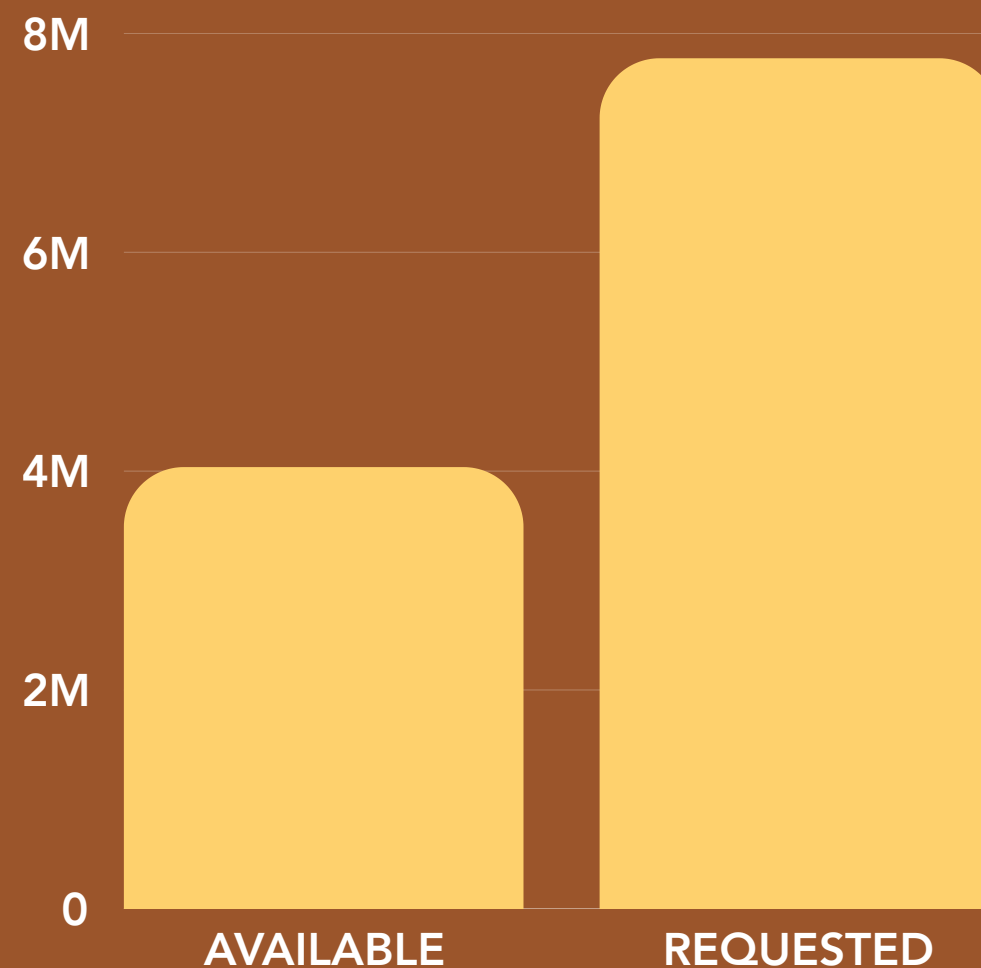


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DEMAND FOR FUNDING IS HIGH

In FY26:

- ▶ Applications increased 141%
- ▶ 48% of requests were unmet





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GOALS FOR FY27 AND BEYOND

- ▶ Expand Tier 2 funding
- ▶ Strategic collaboration to help develop job-ready youth
- ▶ Measurement & evaluation pilot to quantify impact on youth served
- ▶ Develop training & capacity-building resources for grantees

*Subject to program budget and staff capacity



THANK YOU!

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