

## High Interest Payday Loan Lenders Target Vulnerable Communities During COVID-19

Payday loan lenders are aggressively targeting vulnerable communities through online advertising because that's what they have done best since the 2009 financial crisis. These lenders often let people borrow money without confirming whether the borrower can pay it back. Research shows a typical payday borrower in the U.S. is trapped into 10 loans per year. This debt trap can lead to bankruptcy, that leads to reborrowing, that leads to damaged credit.

NM Counties offers the **TrueConnect** financial wellness benefit to all counties. It is a voluntary benefit that provides access to small loans (\$1,000-\$3,000), is payroll deductible, is paid off in 12 months, helps restore good credit, is a lower interest rate alternative with no credit check, is no cost or risk to the county, and includes free financial education and credit counseling services. **Poll your employees to find out the interest level.** Learn how to provide for employees during tough financial times. Contact Susan Mayes, [smayes@nmcounties.org](mailto:smayes@nmcounties.org) for details.



### Lincoln County Manager

Nita Taylor announced her retirement this week. She has been with the county since 2011 and previously worked with NM Counties. She will be around for the next 90 days as the county looks for her replacement.

Happy retirement, Nita! You will be missed!



### Tune in Thursday, June 25 at 8:20 a.m. streaming on [GMCR/KURU Web Stream](#) as NMC

Executive Director Steve Kopelman and Government Relations Brian Moore discuss what happened during the special session!

### Bernalillo County Earns NACo Best of Category for Parks and Recreation, a NACo Achievement Award, for Supportive Aftercare Program: Community Reintegration, a Collaboration with Parks & Rec! The program teaches individuals transitional living in communities as a safe space while working on their recovery. **Congratulations!**

## 2020 CENSUS UPDATES/RESOURCES

The **WE COUNT!** Campaign has produced a Census Counting Book for families that provides simple, clear, and comprehensive guidance on counting everyone living in the household including the kids. Click [HERE](#).

**WE COUNT!** Training Toolkits and Activity materials can be found [HERE](#). Please share...

[View 2020 Response Rate Dashboard](#)

[US 2020 Census Self-Response Map](#)

[New Mexico State Printing & Graphics](#) or contact Director Robert Newlin, 505-231-0339 for more information on Census printing & swag!



### [Contact tracers work to notify public, limit COVID-19 spread](#)

Contact tracing is one of the crucial components to limiting COVID-19 spread, and building contact tracing capacity is crucial to safe reopening.

### [House surface transportation bill boosts key housing, economic development priorities for counties](#)

The bill would establish a new Office of Transit-Supportive Communities with key resources for local governments and create a new grant program for counties to plan economic development projects.

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Search County Employment Opportunities or enter new job posts [here](#) for up to 30 days.

New Employee? Submit [here](#) add/delete/replace to directory.

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Link to [Annual Calendar](#)

### NEW Webinar Trainings!

#### NMC Loss Prevention Trainings Link to [RSVP](#)

- Tues. Jun 23 Webinar: Safety Committees and Safety Culture 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- Thurs. Jun 25 Webinar: How Do We Hold onto the Positive Aspects of Our New World? 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. [REGISTER](#)
- Thurs. Jun 25 NMC Board of Directors meeting 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Doña Ana County TBD
- Fri. Jun 26 LP Leadership Ethics and Positive Decision Making 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Online
- Tues. Jun 30 Webinar: Effective Employee Discipline HR, Supervisors 2 p.m. - 3:30 a.m.
- Wed. July 1 Webinar: Adjusting to Change through Resiliency Development 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. [REGISTER](#)
- Thurs. Jul 2 CIT Crisis Intervention Online Refresher Training Law Enforcement 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- Wed. Jul 15-16 LP Road Ready Safe Driving Instructor Development Online 9 a.m. Wed. - Noon Thur.
- Mon. Jul 20 NACo Annual Board Business, Remote
- Fri. Aug 7 NMC Board of Directors meeting 8:30 a.m. Otero County TBD
- Wed. Aug 19 NMCIA Board meeting 8:30 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office TBD
- Wed. Sept. 2-4 NMML 63rd Annual Conference, Santa Fe TBD

NEW MEXICO COUNTIES  
**ROAD READY**

**NMC LP Specialist James Chaves** taught the first **Road Ready Instructor's Course** online with the following attendees:



Eddy County Safety Charlie Powell, Grant County Emergency Management/Safety Gilbert Helton, Roosevelt County HR/Safety Debbie Olds, Socorro County Facilities/Safety Qualyn Crespín, and Taos County Risk Management Jason Trujillo.

## NACo RESOURCES FOR COUNTIES

### [House Judiciary Committee to mark-up police reform legislation](#)

The bill would make sweeping changes to administration and enforcement standards of local law enforcement agencies, including mandating the use of body-worn cameras, updating reporting requirements for use of force and officer misconduct, creating uniform accreditation standards across agencies and implementing policies and procedures that prohibit and combat racial profiling.

Wed. Jun 24 [Maximizing Value on Every Public Dollar During & After COVID-19](#) Noon - 1p.m. MDT

Mon. Jul 13 [NACo Membership Town Hall](#) 2 p.m. MDT; All NACo members invited; includes 2nd VP candidates forum, overview of [proposed bylaw amendments](#), report on [voting delegate credentials](#) totals, and federal policy update

Mon. Jul 20 [NACo Annual Business Meeting](#) Noon MDT