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News Brief

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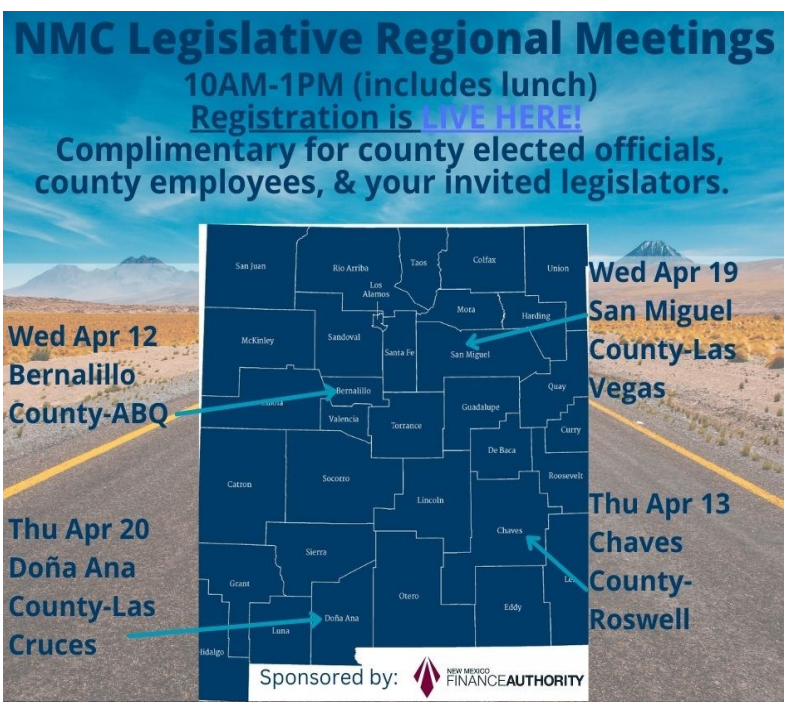
USDA Makes Grants Available to Help People in Rural New Mexico to Repair Their Homes Damaged By Forest Fires in 2022

USDA has grants available to help people repair their homes that were damaged by the forest fires in 2022. The homes must be located in presidentially declared disaster areas: Colfax, Mora, and San Miguel Counties. The grants are available through supplemental disaster funding under the Rural Disaster Home Repair Grant Program. People may apply to receive grants of up to $40,675 directly from USDA to repair their homes. Funds available until expended and may be used to:

- Pay for home repair expenses that were a result of a Presidentially declared disaster in 2022
- Prepare a site for a manufactured home
- Relocate a manufactured home

Eligibility: Household incomes that don't exceed low-limits; homes in an eligible rural area
Learn more HERE



The NMC legislative team will spill the beans on the post 60-day legislative session with discussions from state legislators on bills that passed, the effects at the county level, and take bill discussion requests from you, the counties. Come prepared to also discuss your issues to work on during the interim for the 30-day session in 2024. Stay for lunch and network with your peers and state legislators! Register!

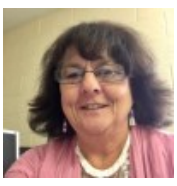
NACo 2023 National County Government Month—April

This coming Saturday marks the beginning of National County Government Month (NCGM). Celebrated during the month of April, NCGM is an excellent opportunity for your county to highlight effective, innovative county programs and raise public awareness of county roles and responsibilities.

Explore our NCGM resource page for tools to help you prepare press releases, plan events, slot graphics into your social media queue and more.

NMC Loss Prevention 40-hour instructor development training in Roswell with Curry, Roosevelt, Chaves, and Luna Counties attending. Please take advantage of these complimentary trainings hosted by NMC and professionals in their fields.

Women face unique challenges when it comes to saving for retirement. NACo partner Nationwide has developed seven key factors for women to consider when planning for retirement. Together, through the NACo Deferred Compensation Program, NACo and Nationwide have helped more than 1.5 million county employees and retirees save for and live comfortably in retirement.



Wed Apr 5 NACo: Lowering Recidivism Through Jail– and Community-Based Treatment and Services
Noon MDT with our own Sierra County Grant Manager Virginia Lee!

USDA Announces Open Funding Round for the Community Connect Program

Counties have until June 20 to apply for funding under the Community Connect Program. Read more

Link to NMC 2023 Annual Meetings Calendar
Link to Loss Prevention 2023 Trainings Calendar & RSVP
Wed Apr 12 Legislative meeting Bernalillo County, Albuquerque 10am
Thu Apr 13 Legislative meeting Chaves County, Roswell 10am
Fri Apr 14 NMC Executive Committee Budget meeting 10am NMC Santa Fe Office
Mon Apr 17-21 1st Line Supervisor training, Deming, SWTC
Wed Apr 19 Legislative meeting San Miguel County, Las Vegas 10am
Thu Apr 20 Legislative meeting Doña Ana County, Las Cruces 10am
Wed Apr 26 Advisory Council, San Juan County 11am
Wed Apr 26-27 LP Suicide Prevention training ABQ
Fri May 5 NMC Board mtg Colfax County 8:30am
Mon May 8-12 LP 40-Hour CIT training ABQ
Wed May 10 NMCIA Board mtg Santa Fe County 8:30am
Mon May 15-18 LP OSHA training 8am-5pm
Wed May 17-19 WIR Annual Conference Washington County, St. George, UT
Tue, Thu Jun NM EDGE Classes Live Online 6/6, 6/20, 6/22, 6/27
Mon Jun 12-16 NMC 86th Annual Conference San Juan County, Farmington
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