



The New Mexico Sheriff's Professional Standards Council (NMSPSC) awarded an initial three-year Certificate of Accreditation to the Valencia County Sheriff's Office. This is the first sheriff's office in New Mexico to earn its accreditation under this program. The Valencia County Sheriff's Office was previously accredited through the New Mexico Municipal League program.

The onsite assessment was completed on March 20-21, 2023, with the council voting on April 18, 2023, to confirm the accreditation. The Sheriff's Office met the best practice standards as developed and approved by the NMSPSC.


L:R Lea County Sheriff's Office Chief Dep. Martinez, VCSO Chief Deputy Giron, VCSO Lieutenant Alderete, Valencia County Sheriff Denise Vigil, VCSO Undersheriff Noah, Santa Fe County Sheriff's Office Lieutenant Delgado, and VCSO Lieutenant Rowland. Congratulations, Valencia County Sheriff's Office!



### Leadership NM Class of 2023-Counties

**San Miguel County:** Kenneth Abeyta, Vidal Crespín, Steven Garcia, Benito Romero, Jesus Romero; **Bernalillo County:** Diane Chavez, Katherine Korte, Regina Ortega; **Curry County:** Mark Gallegos; **Lea County:** Anthony Dobbs, Amie Baeza; **Los Alamos County:** James Rodriguez

**Regional Broadband Meetings**  
Funding Opportunities, Resources



**CONNECT**  
new mexico  
Office of Broadband Access & Expansion

Free to attend but pre-registration required. Lunch provided. Register online:  
<https://connect.nm.gov/regional-meetings.html>

**Attend a meeting 9am-1pm:**  
**Thu May 11** in Springer Region 4  
**Fri May 12** in Las Cruces Region 5  
**Mon May 15** in Farmington Region 1  
**Tue May 16** in Hernandez Region 2

Register: [Internet For All May 24, 9am-3pm Buffalo Thunder](#)

### Counties Directly Eligible for \$700 Million in FY 2023 USDOT Electric Vehicle Charging Grants until May 30, 2023.

Grants can be used to deploy EV chargers and hydrogen, propane, and natural gas fueling infrastructure. Generally, the federal share is 80% (Reimbursible, competitive grant). A county contracting with a private entity must include a condition requiring that entity to cover the 20% local match.

The State of New Mexico, through DFA and NMDOT, has funding to cover the required 20% local match for the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program.

USDOT information: [CFI Discretionary Grant Program](#)

Download NMDOT EV Grant Match Forms here:  
<https://www.dot.nm.gov/cfi/>

Deadline: Sun Apr 30 [Letter of Interest Form](#)  
Deadline: Fri May 5 [Criteria CFI Data Request](#)

Contact for more help:  
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**Registration Open!**

\$275/person through Fri Apr 28  
\$300/person Sat Apr 29-Jun 2, 2023  
\$350/person late/onsite fee Tue Jun 13

**86th Annual Conference**  
San Juan County - Farmington  
June 12, 2023-June 16, 2023



SAVE THE DATE!

NM Wildland Urban Fire Summit

Cycles of Wildfire Risk Reduction:  
from Mitigation to Recovery

Field trips include Mescalero, Bonito Lake, & Moon Mountain  
October 11-13, 2023  
Ruidoso, Lincoln County

### USDA Makes Grants Available for Organizations to Help People in Rural NM to Repair Homes Damaged by Forest Fires in 2022 Deadline June 5, 2023

The grants are available through supplemental disaster funding under the [Housing Preservation Grants](#) program. Apply to receive up to \$50,000 to help people make repairs to their homes that were damaged by natural disasters in calendar year 2022 in Colfax, Lincoln, Mora, San Miguel, and Valencia counties. Eligible organizations include state and local governments, federally recognized Indian tribes, and nonprofits.

- Repair or replace electrical wiring, foundations, roofs, insulation, heating systems and water/waste disposal systems.
- Support accessibility features.
- Purchase construction materials.
- Finance administrative expenses up to 20%.

 Better Government Through Education  
[www.nmedge.nmsu.edu](http://www.nmedge.nmsu.edu) **NM EDGE Public Finance Classes**  
May 2-5, & 9, 2023  
Online on Zoom

Must take all Level I NMF classes before proceeding to Level II NMF classes. Finance class schedule click [HERE](#). Advanced Purchasing Classes May 16-19, Online [HERE](#)  
NM EDGE June Class Schedule [HERE](#)

[Link to NMC 2023 Annual Meetings Calendar](#)  
[Link to Loss Prevention 2023 Trainings Calendar & RSVP](#)

**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 NMC Santa Fe Office 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  
**Mon Jun 12-14** NM EDGE Classes San Juan County  
**Thu Jun 15** NMC Board of Directors meeting 4:30pm San Juan County  
**Tue Jun 20** NMCRe Captive Board mtg 1pm Zoom  
**Wed Jun 21-22** LP 16-hr Verbal De-escalation Taos  
**Wed Jul 12** NMC Legislative Initiative Review w/ affiliates 11am NMC Santa Fe Office  
**Tue Jul 18-19** LP Suicide Prevention Curry County  
**Fri Jul 21-24** NACo Annual Conference Travis County, Austin, TX  
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