

# Financial and Technical Assistance Sources for Physical Activity Infrastructure and Programs in New Mexico

## Purpose

Small towns and rural communities in New Mexico frequently cite a lack of funding or technical expertise as major barriers to improving opportunities for physical activity. This list includes private foundations as well as state and federal agencies that fund or assist with projects and programs. VIVA Connects Network Communities have received support or assistance from nearly all of these sources in the past. To learn more about their experiences with these funding sources, share your own experience, add a new source to the list, or request assistance in applying to one of these programs, please contact the Prevention Research Center at [prc@salud.unm.edu](mailto:prc@salud.unm.edu).

## Financial Assistance



### AARP Community Challenge Grants

Thematic Focus: Community Built Environment, Expansion of Inclusive Opportunities, and Driving Community Engagement

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: \$1,000

More Info: [www.aarp.com/communitychallenge](http://www.aarp.com/communitychallenge)



### American Hiking Society National Trails Fund

Thematic Focus: Improving Hiker Access and Hiker Safety

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: \$500 to \$3,000

More Info: <https://americanhiking.org/National-Trails-Fund/>

\*Must be a member of American Hiking Society's National Trails Fund



### BNSF Railway Foundation

Thematic Focus: Health & Human Services, Education, Youth, Civic, Cultural & Historic Preservation

Geographic Focus: Western USA

Typical Award: \$1,000 to \$10,000

More Info: <http://www.bnsffoundation.org/>





### **McCune Foundation**

Thematic Focus: Healthcare, Natural Resources, Community Engagement, Built Environments, Rural Development

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: \$10,000 to \$50,000

More Info: <http://nmmccune.org/>



**rails-to-trails**

### **Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund**

Thematic Focus: Implementing Projects to Build and Improve Multi-Use Trails

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: \$5,000 to \$50,000

More Info: <https://www.railstotrails.org/our-work/doppelt-family-trail-development-fund/>



**New Mexico  
Resiliency  
Alliance**

### **New Mexico Resiliency Alliance**

Thematic Focus: Community Development

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: Unknown

More Info: <http://www.nmresiliencyalliance.org/resilient-communities-fund>



**NMDOT**

### **New Mexico Department of Transportation**

Thematic Focus: Roadway Construction and Enhancement

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: \$100,000+

More Info: Contact your regional transportation planning organization

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### **New Mexico Tourism Department**

Thematic Focus: Tourism Development

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: Unknown

More Info: <https://nmtourism.culturegrants.org/>





### **Notah Begay Foundation**

Thematic Focus: Reducing Native American Childhood Obesity and Type 2 Diabetes

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: Unknown

More Info: <http://www.nb3foundation.org/>



### **Patagonia Environmental Grants**

Thematic Focus: Environmental Protection

Geographic Focus: International

Typical Award: \$5,000 to \$20,000

More Info: <http://www.patagonia.com/grant-guidelines.html>



### **PNM Power Up Grants**

Thematic Focus: Community and Neighborhood Revitalization

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: \$5,000 to \$20,000

More Info: <https://www.pnm.com/powerup>



### **REI Grants (Albuquerque & Santa Fe)**

Thematic Focus: Outdoors

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: \$2,500 to \$25,000

More Info: <https://www.rei.com/stewardship/community/non-profit-partnerships-and-grants.html>



### **Recreational Trails Program**

Thematic Focus: Recreational Trails and Trail-Related Activities

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: \$5,000 to \$500,000

More Info: <http://www.rtponm.org/programs>

\* Cost reimbursement requiring 15% match.





### **Transportation Alternatives Program**

Thematic Focus: Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure and Activities

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: \$75,000 to \$2,000,000

More Info: <http://www.rtponm.org/programs>

\*Cost reimbursement requiring 15% match.



### **USDA Rural Community Development Initiative**

Thematic Focus: Housing, Community Facilities, and Community and Economic Development in Rural Areas

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: \$50,000 to \$250,000

More Info: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-community-development-initiative-grants>

## **Technical Assistance**



### **Continental Divide Trail Alliance Gateway Communities**

Thematic Focus: Promoting and Protecting the Continental Divide Trail

Geographic Focus: Communities in Close Proximity to the Continental Divide

Typical Award: Technical Assistance

More Info: <http://continentaldividetrail.org/cdt-gateway-communities/>



### **National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program**

Thematic Focus: Park and Trail Design and Access

Geographic Focus: National

Typical Award: Technical Assistance

More Info: <https://www.nps.gov/orgs/rtca/index.htm>



### **New Mexico MainStreet**

Thematic Focus: Economic Development, Infrastructure Reinvestment

Geographic Focus: New Mexico

Typical Award: Technical Assistance

More Info: <http://nmmainstreet.org/great-blocks-on-mainstreet-fy2017-request-for-proposals/>



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