



NEW MEXICO
FOOD, FARM, & HUNGER INITIATIVE

“Statewide Hunger Initiative”
Legislative Session
2022





Mission & Goals

To cultivate a just food system that measurably reduces hunger, provides equitable access to nutritious, culturally meaningful foods, and honors the wisdom of our land-based tradition.



Community Food Programs

Integrate and innovate NM's hunger relief and nutrition security efforts so resources can be optimized for health, equity and efficiency



New Mexico Grown

Invest in NM producers through the intentional and value-based expansion of NM's farm to institution programs.



Supply Chain

Inventory and measurably improve food supply chain infrastructure to address gaps, weak linkages, and regulatory roadblocks



Sustainability

Work with the legislature and other partners to create a sustainable financial model to support our mission





State Budget as a Tool for Policy Change

Eight of twelve participating state agencies included funding requests for the statewide hunger initiative in their FY23 appropriation requests to the Department and Finance and Administration (DFA) and Legislative Finance Committee (LFC).

Before Session



\$15,239,000



\$24.5M

*Recommendations
going into session*

\$00.00

FY23 STATE AGENCY
BUDGET REQUEST

FY23 EXECUTIVE
RECOMMENDATION

FY23 LFC
RECOMMENDATION

Session



\$8.7M



\$24.7M



\$24.7M

FY23 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

FY23 SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FUNDING FOR
THE FOOD, FARM, AND HUNGER INITIATIVE





HB 2

PUBLIC TRACKING DASHBOARD

DFA

Food Security Innovation Grant Program
\$10 million

DFA develops data dashboard and shared metrics across agency collaborative, DFA allocates funds to 8 partner agencies, DFA tracks progress and manages impact data, DFA recommends system improvements across agency collaborative.

Funding included in HB 2, funds appropriated to DFA

ALTSD	NM Grown for Seniors, Senior Food Boxes, Food Access FTE \$1.2 million
DOH	Mobile Technology for WIC and Senior Farmers Market Program, Fruit and Vegetable Prescription Program (FreshRx) \$608,400
ECECD	New Mexico Grown for Preschools, Summer and Afterschool Nutrition Support \$1.8 million
EDD	Healthy Food Financing Initiative, Food System Specialist FTE \$331,000
HED	College Food Insecurity Pilot \$1 million
HSD	Meal Gap Funding, Food Access FTE \$6 million
NMDA	Double Up Food Bucks, Healthy Soil Program, Agricultural Workforce Development Act, Approved Supplied Program, 2 FTEs for expansion projects, Farm to Foodbank/Gleaning Program \$2.6 million
PED	New Mexico Grown for School Meals \$800,000



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**\$24.7M
PASSED**

ESTIMATED IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

3,025

more seniors receiving
food boxes
(84 meals each)

1,960

households with
increased access to
fresh produce through
the Fruit and Vegetable
Prescription Program

9,975

additional children will
be served in new or
expanded summer and
afterschool nutrition
programs

17,500

food insecure college
students served

150,340

additional New
Mexicans receiving
food bank assistance

260,000

children and seniors
can eat locally through
NM Grown

219

additional farmers
trained and approved
to sell to schools,
senior centers, pre-
schools, and grocery
stores

64

additional healthy soil
projects





THANK YOU

