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INTRODUCTION

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Section 1

THANK YOU FOR WORKING WITH US!

Dear Legislator, colleague, key partner, or friend,

This Data Book is the first edition published by the Human Services Department (HSD) in recent history. Our department's mission is:

To transform lives. Working with our partners, we design and deliver innovative, high quality health and human services that improve security and promote independence for New Mexicans in their communities.

We have over 40 different offices statewide, and we feel that the phrase "in their communities" is critically important to the people we serve. Through a variety of programs described herein, we are deeply honored to serve over half of all New Mexicans.

As a policy maker or one who partners with us in this service, we seek here to provide you with national data that compares New Mexico to other states. But, more importantly, this Data Book is designed to provide county level information that is already used by HSD and can be used by you to identify our state's areas of greatest need.

The Pew Foundation has published extensive data on evidence-based policy making. New Mexico ranks highly in the United States as a state that has focused on data and evidence-based interventions over the past 20 years. Pew outlines five key components that each require evidence: program assessment, budget development, implementation oversight, outcome monitoring, and targeted evaluation. At HSD we place a very high priority on using data to identify key priorities, track our progress, and prove the effectiveness of the investments that the Legislature makes in our department and its programs every year.

We do not believe that New Mexico is a "poor state." We believe that our state is built on strong communities, our state's great beauty, and the abundance of our natural resources. However, we do acknowledge that New Mexico is at or near the wrong end of the list for average income, food insecurity, and childhood poverty. In the pages that follow, you can easily identify the "hot spots" of need in our state.

While no one likes to see New Mexico at the wrong end of these national lists, our very low average income results in our state having one of the very highest federal match rates in the country. This provides us with a great opportunity to leverage our financial resources and return between \$3.50 and \$9.00 of federal funds for each general fund dollar spent. (Some programs match 22:1; see the Heat and Eat program Factsheet.) This wise investment of state dollars multiplies greatly with federal funds to indeed "transform lives."

We thank you for your confidence in HSD and hope that you will find that this Data Book contains an abundance of information that can be used to drive evidenced based policy and legislation.

Sincerely, and on behalf of all 1736 Human Service Department employees,

David R. Scrase M.D.
Cabinet Secretary
New Mexico Human Services Department

OUR MISSION

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GOALS



We help NEW MEXICANS

1. Improve the value and range of services we provide to ensure that every qualified New Mexican receives timely and accurate benefits.



We communicate EFFECTIVELY

2. Create effective, transparent communication to enhance the public trust.



We make access EASIER

3. Successfully implement technology to give customers and staff the best and most convenient access to services and information.



We support EACH OTHER

4. Promote an environment of mutual respect, trust and open communication to grow and reach our professional goals.

GUIDE TO USING THIS | DATA BOOK

INFORMATION AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

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U.S. & NEW MEXICO DEMOGRAPHIC MAPS

This section provides information and statistics across a range of demographic, health, and socioeconomic indicators. U.S. maps are broken out by state, and New Mexico maps are presented at county-level. A text box on the bottom right of each table provides information important for correct interpretation of the table. In many tables, details will not add exactly to the totals and subtotals shown because of rounding.

HSD PROGRAM ENROLLMENT MAPS

HSD serves nearly half of New Mexican residents. Program Enrollment Maps illustrate the number of people served by major HSD programs as well total program expenditures by county. Additionally, HSD recognizes and affirms the State of New Mexico's government-to-government relationship with its 23 sovereign Pueblos, Nations and Tribal neighbors; and, therefore, has included a series of program enrollment maps among Native Americans.

FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET REQUEST FACTSHEETS

Each of those highlight 11 significant budget requests in a clear and concise format by summarizing the request, proposed funding, and benefits to New Mexico. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 HSD budget request is \$7.782 billion, with a 15.72 percent (\$1.225 billion) request from the state general fund. Nearly 85 percent of HSD's budget is funded by federal matching funds from a variety of programs. For every additional dollar of new general fund, HSD will earn ~\$2.52 in additional federal funds. Over the last several years, HSD has managed its programs with little to no new general fund appropriations. The fiscal year FY 2021 request reflect the administration's efforts to invest in these critical and important programs.

COUNTY FACTSHEETS

This section provides comparable information and statistics across a range of demographic and socioeconomic indicators, as well as information related to HSD field offices, program enrollment and funding. Also included is details related to local health providers such as nursing facilities, hospitals, and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs).

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Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the data presented in the Data Book. However, the Data Book relies on various sources for national and state reporting, with the most recent reporting year often varying. Nevertheless, HSD has used data from the most recent year available.