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Human Services Department Provides Income Support Assistance in Zuni Pueblo

Out-Stationed Workers Assist Native Americans with Food Assistance and Health Coverage

Santa Fe, New Mexico – The New Mexico Human Services Department continues to reach out to Native American communities by placing out-stationed income support workers where it is more convenient for Native American people to apply for services. The newest office is in Zuni Pueblo.

"Our partnership with Native American communities across the state has helped to enroll thousands more Native Americans who qualify for our programs but have not applied simply because of time and distance," said Pamela Hyde, Human Services Department Secretary. "Having full time employees right in the Pueblo of Zuni since May has already resulted in 66 applications for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and Medicaid."

The Zuni Income Support Division office has two full-time staff located at 203 B-State HWY 53 in Zuni Pueblo. The need for workers in this area was requested and supported by the Pueblo of Zuni Tribal Council and the Zuni Governor. "The Pueblo of Zuni is pleased to have Human Services Department staff with us to help our people apply for the services they qualify for, need and deserve," said Zuni Pueblo Governor Norman J. Cooeyate.

The other out-stationed Income Support Division workers are in located in the Indian Health Services hospitals at Shiprock, Crownpoint, Gallup, Santa Fe, Acoma-Canoncito-Laguna, Mescalero and Albuquerque.

Clients or potential clients interested in contacting the Zuni Income Support office can call 505-782-5053 directly or can call the Income Support Division Customer Service at 1-888-473-3676.