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## **NM Human Services Department Seeks Providers for the New Mexico Works Program**

Successful bidders will provide case management and support services for needy families to improve their circumstances and become employed

*Santa Fe, New Mexico* – The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the New Mexico Works program, seeking organizations interested in providing services to families eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

“The New Mexico Works program is instrumental in assisting TANF parents become employed. The program provides case management, career planning, skills training, education, transportation assistance and other support services,” said Katie Falls, HSD Secretary-designate.

Last year HSD held six public meetings across the state. “The public meetings served as a sounding board. We learned what services are most important to TANF families and what service improvements need to be made,” said Falls. “The top three most important services that have been identified are childcare, affordable housing, and employment-related activities.”

The input from the public meetings and follow-up surveys conducted by HSD resulted in the new level of services described in the RFP.

Interested bidders must propose comprehensive services to New Mexico Works participants as described in the RFP. The successful bidder(s) of the New Mexico Works program are responsible for achieving state and federal performance outcomes.

The timeframe for the RFP process is:

- January 29, 2010 – Request for Proposals Issued
- February 9, 2010 – Pre-Proposal Conference – 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the HSD-Administrative Services Division, Plaza San Miguel, Large Conference Room – Room 33, 729 Saint Michaels Drive, Santa Fe, NM
- March 1, 2010 - Due Date for Submission of Proposals
- March 8, 2010 – Selection of Finalists
- April 19, 2010 – Contract Award Date
- July 1, 2010 – Start Date for New Mexico Works Provider(s)

The RFP is posted on the HSD website at [www.hsd.state.nm.us](http://www.hsd.state.nm.us) under “What’s New at HSD”.

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