

Southwest Indigenous Housing Justice Collaborative

January 26, 2026

10am - 12pm

Zoom: <https://cabq.zoom.us/j/89817262599>

AGENDA

10:00am	Welcome and Introductions
10:15am	<u>NM Department of Workforce</u> <u>Office of Housing</u> Roslynn Gallegos, Senior Manager for Special Projects Forrest Verde Dudek, Senior Manager for Special Projects Lisa Huval, Manager Housing Initiatives Maria Wolfe, Manager Homeless Initiatives
10:50am	<u>Enterprise Community Partners</u> Jeremiah Powless Program Manager, Native American Housing Programs: Mountain, Tribal Nations, and Rural
11:25am	New Mexico Housing Alliance Legislative session Gross Receipts Tax Rodger Valdez Director, Center for Housing Economics
11:40am	Updates and Event Announcements
11:55am	Closing Reflections

SWIHJC Meetings 2026:

March 16, 2026

May 18, 2026

July 20, 2026

September 21, 2026

November 16, 2026

Event Announcements and Links:

HOMEWISE: Livable ABQ Fellowship Application

Are you passionate about housing, livability, and Albuquerque's future? The Livable ABQ Fellowship is now accepting applications!

This four-month stipended leadership and advocacy program equips community members, advocates, and professionals with the knowledge, tools, and connections to help shape a more affordable, sustainable, and livable Albuquerque.

What to Expect

- Housing Fundamentals Institute (full-day immersive training)
- Monthly Livability Speaker Series with local and national experts
- Strategy and Action Sessions focused on advocacy and solutions
- Hands-on policy engagement and cohort collaboration
- \$500 stipend upon graduation
- Childcare available upon request for the Speaker Series and Training Institute

Key Dates:

- **Fellowship begins March 2026**
- **Training Institute:** March 14, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- Speakers & Sessions are typically held on Thursdays from 6:00 – 8:00 PM, but please refer to the application for a full list of dates and times.

How to Apply

Apply online at <https://bit.ly/livableabq>

Application deadline: **January 30 at 5:00 PM**

Applicants selected for interviews will be notified by **February 4**.

Questions? Contact **Anna Gennari** at agennari@homewise.org.

Additional information is available at www.livabilityspeakerseries.com.

Statewide Leadership Training & Collaborative Problem-Solving Workgroups

The Office of Housing, the Center for Excellence in Social Work, and CNM Ingenuity are partnering to strengthen New Mexico's response to homelessness by investing in the people and organizations doing this work every day.

These statewide training and problem-solving workgroups bring nonprofit leaders together to build meaningful partnerships, share proven approaches, and co-create solutions to the complex challenges of homelessness and housing instability.

Topics:

1. Data Storytelling & Communicating the Stories of Our Communities: A leadership session focused on using data to elevate community narratives, support informed decision-making, and strengthen communication grounded in lived experience.
2. Mission-Driven Leadership & Advancing Initiatives Through a Community-Centered Lens: Leaders learn strategies for advancing initiatives, strengthening mission alignment, and creating systems-level impact through community voice, data, and collaborative planning.
3. Recruitment, Retention & Honoring Lived Experience in Creating Equitable Systems: A session focused on equitable staffing, honoring lived experience, and building supportive organizational systems that reflect community strengths.
4. Financial Stewardship & Supporting Providers in Diversifying Funding: This workshop supports leaders in understanding resource development, diversified funding opportunities, and how to support nonprofit providers in sustaining community-wide missions.
5. Critical Incident Debrief: A hands-on session strengthening participants' ability to debrief difficult or traumatic events, reduce burnout, support emotional well-being, and build team cohesion.

Why This Matters

Ending homelessness requires more than programs, it requires connected leaders, aligned strategies, and strong community partnerships. This initiative creates a collaborative space where leaders can move beyond working in silos to:

- Learning from local experts with deep knowledge of New Mexico communities
- Collaborating with peers to address real-time housing and homelessness challenges
- Sharing what's working and adapt statewide strategies
- Strengthening relationships that support coordinated, community-driven solutions

Who Should Participate:

- Directors and nonprofit leaders

- Program and operations managers
- Decision-makers serving individuals experiencing homelessness or housing instability

Cohort Details

- This training will be delivered virtually to accommodate leaders across the state.
- Participants will receive \$500 in stipends to attend these trainings
- Stipends will be issued upon successful completion of all five required trainings. Participants must attend all training sessions and receive a certificate of completion to be eligible for the stipend.
- Participants will engage in one expert-led training followed by an optional 1.5 hr guided Leadership Circle for peer strategizing and shared problem solving.

Upcoming Sessions

***Please note that topics may shift and future dates are subject to change; participants will be notified if changes occur.**

January 2026

- Leadership Training #1: Friday, January 30, 2026 12pm to 1:30 pm
- Leadership Community Conversation: Friday, February 6, 2026

Limited to 50 leaders statewide

Register HERE Today: [NM DWS Leadership Academy Training 1 of 5 - From Mission to Impact: Advancing Initiatives Through Healing and Community-Centered Leadership - Center for Excellence in Social Work](#)

Resources

Dreamcatcher Financial Strategies

Our goal is to provide our services to Native and Non-Native individuals who may be looking for professional guidance on how to become financially stable. We offer a unique experience that is simple, trustworthy, culturally sensitive, and honest. We hope to assist our folks in our Native communities to better understand how money could work for us. We're also proud of the fact that our business model allows us to sit with folks at no-cost.

Homeless Coordinating Council

The Homeless Coordinating Council (HCC) is a collaborative body made up of members from the City of Albuquerque, the County of Bernalillo, the Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico. As reflected in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the HCC's work will be guided by creative problem solving, respectful collaboration, evidence-based decision-making, and effective resource utilization. The HCC's purpose is to deliver a coordinated community-wide framework for expanding and strengthening services and permanent affordable housing for people experiencing homelessness in the Albuquerque metro area.

Native American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC): EVENTS for 2026

To effectively and efficiently promote and support American Indians, Alaska Natives and native Hawaiians in their self- determined goal to provide culturally relevant and quality affordable housing for native people.

Southwest Tribal Housing Alliance (SWTHA)

SWTHA is a non-profit organization established in May 2009 representing Indian Housing Authorities and Tribal Housing Departments in the states of Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas, also known as Region VIII. SWTHA's purpose is to assist its members in addressing the housing needs of low-income Indian families. SWTHA is a non-profit organization established in May 2009 representing Indian Housing Authorities and Tribal Housing Departments in the states of Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas, also known as Region VIII. SWTHA's purpose is to assist its members in addressing the housing needs of low-income Indian families in the Tri-State area. in the Tri-State area.

Southwest Native Assets Coalition (SWNAC)

Tribal Homebuyer Education & Credit/Financial Empowerment

United Way

Free meals, food banks & pantries, utility & mortgage assistance ect. for multiple counties.

Solar energy

Affordable Solar: <https://affordable-solar.com/tribal/>

Native Renewables: <https://www.nativerenewables.org/>