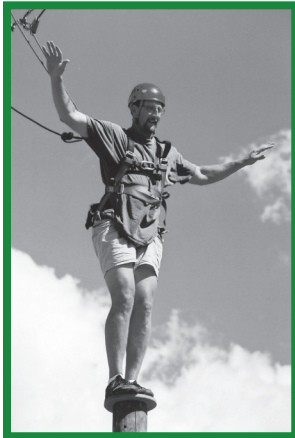


The Programs

Leadership New Mexico's programs are intended to be educational, inspiring and engaging. Without the generous support of individuals, corporations and foundations, these programs would not be the quality educational sessions they are today.



Mike Stanford, Class of 1999

The Core Program exposes participants to powerful informational sessions featuring speakers that are acknowledged leaders in their field. Sessions are held in communities around the state in order to expose participants to the different regions of New Mexico, their local issues and the unique culture of each community. This process allows participants to build for themselves a broad-based and comprehensive understanding of the challenges facing a state with many cultures and geographic diversity. Some of the topics included in the sessions are health and human services, economic development, education, environment and natural resources, government and crime and justice.

The Local Government Leadership Program is an educational partnership between the New Mexico Municipal League, the New Mexico Association of Counties and Leadership New Mexico. These organizations joined together to provide a unique educational experience for municipal and county officials and members of the New Mexico National Guard. The program develops and enhances leadership capacities of officials while fostering a higher level of civic and community concern and participation.



City Managers Curtis Schrader and Alex Brown, Class of 2008



The 2007 Connect New Mexico Class

Connect New Mexico is a program for professionals ages 25-40. The curriculum has elements of the Core Program and the Local Government Leadership Program and focuses on leadership skill development. Connect New Mexico is designed to develop personal leadership skills, teach how New Mexico systems and structures work and explore the critical issues facing our state. This process encourages participants to cultivate new ideas and techniques and helps to develop solutions to some of New Mexico's most pressing issues.

The Alumni Program furthers the education and challenges the thinking and perspectives of program graduates in a meaningful and dynamic way. By interacting with graduates from other classes, alumni continue to be exposed to a diversity of topics, experiences and regional perspectives, as well as develop the professional and personal relationships that are one of the greatest assets of Leadership New Mexico. Alumni stay connected and involved through this program, maintaining an intricate and diverse network of individuals across the state.



Paulina Salopek, Class of 2001 and Edward Lujan

Building a Legacy

*Shaping New Mexico
One Leader
At A Time*



The Need

BUILDING A LEGACY - THE LEADERSHIP NEW MEXICO ENDOWMENT

Your generous contribution to the Leadership New Mexico Endowment will ensure the long-term success of the organization, its programs and services and will provide the opportunity for our state to grow and excel by:

- Including citizens from all regions and backgrounds in charting the state's future.
- Cultivating a uniquely powerful network of informed leaders from a variety of business sectors.
- Building a strong group of leaders who can work together to solve the critical issues facing the state.

Since 1995, over 600 leaders from 59 communities across the state have participated in Leadership New Mexico's programs, representing the private, public and non-profit sectors. The organization must continue to bring participants together from all constituencies, in all areas of the state for years to come.

As program costs rise annually, it is imperative to prepare for necessary expenses without relying exclusively on tuition increases or fundraising campaigns. To this end, Leadership New Mexico is creating an endowment to ensure the financial sustainability of the organization.

Leadership New Mexico's impact reaches far more people than just the program graduates. With roots firmly planted in communities across the state, Leadership New Mexico graduates touch thousands of lives and ultimately change the livelihood of families and businesses in New Mexico.

Leadership New Mexico is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. Your gift will have a direct impact on the vitality of the organization, its programs and the graduates' influence on the future of the state.



Class of 2008 tours the PNM San Juan Generating Station

How to Give

- Become a Lifetime Member
- Make a personal gift
- Make a corporate gift

The History

1994

The New Mexico Leadership Network is formed to promote community leadership programs in the state.

1995

After an enthusiastic and positive response from community leadership alumni around the state, a Steering Committee is recruited and becomes the founding Board of Directors of Leadership New Mexico. Seed money is secured from The McCune Charitable Foundation. Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws are submitted and a Certificate of Incorporation is granted.

1996

The Core Program is launched and 32 participants representing 12 communities are selected for the charter class. Patty Komko is hired as the founding Executive Director.

1997

Leadership New Mexico receives notification from the Internal Revenue Service of its 501 (c)(3) status. The charter class of the Core Program graduates.

2001

As the group of program alumni continues to grow, Leadership New Mexico creates the Alumni Program in an effort to keep alumni educated, engaged and connected to each other.

2002

Leadership New Mexico expands its community outreach to recognize outstanding members of its alumni program and the State of New Mexico by creating the Distinguished Alumnus and Distinguished Leadership Award.

Benefit to the State

- Individuals are educated about the critical issues facing New Mexico.
- Leaders are challenged to think creatively about the concerns and needs of New Mexico's citizens.
- Relationships are built and strengthened between diverse people and diverse regions of the state.
- A sense of ownership is instilled that motivates graduates to work for the common good.



James Lewis, Class of 1999

The Organization

For New Mexico to progress with strength, its citizens must develop a common vision and a statewide commitment to excellence. Since its founding in 1995, Leadership New Mexico has provided a non-partisan perspective on statewide topics of concern and opportunities for improvement. The programs provide participants with effective tools to take back to their communities and work to enhance the quality of life and address social and economic issues in New Mexico.

Through solution-seeking communication, Leadership New Mexico encourages program graduates to assume leadership roles on community and statewide issues and develop networks for effective leadership. The programs are designed to enhance the leadership skills required in a multi-cultural state while stimulating inquiry, analysis and development of solutions.

2003

In recognition of the need for quality leadership on the local level, Leadership New Mexico partners with the New Mexico Association of Counties and the New Mexico Municipal League to create the Local Government Leadership Program.

2004

The charter class of the Local Government Leadership Program graduates 17 participants from seven municipalities and 10 counties.

2006

Leadership New Mexico celebrates the 10-year anniversary of its Core Program. Municipalities across the state and the State of New Mexico designate April 21, 2006 as Leadership New Mexico Day.

2007

Leadership New Mexico launches the Connect New Mexico Program, "The Next Generation of Leadership" to address the need for a powerful statewide leadership program for emerging professionals, 25-40 years old. The first class graduates 28 participants from 11 communities. Leadership New Mexico also holds its Inaugural Alumni Golf Tournament.

2008

Leadership New Mexico creates an endowment to provide for the long-term financial sustainability of the organization.