SANTA FE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 102

A RESOLUTION IDENTIFYING SANTA FE COUNTY 2025 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

WHEREAS, the lack of affordable housing continues to be a critical need for Santa Fe County (County) and the State on New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) would like to demonstrate strong support to the State Legislature and Governor for affordable housing legislation during the 2025 regular legislative session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board strongly urges the New Mexico Legislature and Governor to enact legislation during the 2025 Regular Session that would:

- 1. Provide gap funding for the County's 159 unit, 100% affordable, multifamily Nueva Acequia 4% and 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) projects.
- 2. Adequately fund the New Mexico Housing Trust Fund.
- 3. Increase funding for the State Linkages Program in the amount of \$5 million per year.
- 4. Make Linkages vouchers able to be project-based so they are attached to an affordable housing project and support the project.
- 5. Allow Linkages Vouchers to pay market rate rents so that we can utilize the existing more expensive housing stock.
- 6. Funding support for the Santa Fe County Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
- 7. Prevent source-of-income discrimination for rentals.
- 8. Prohibit unreasonable annual rental rate increases for renters within the State.
- 9. Authorize courts to delay eviction for reasonable period while tenants actively pursue rental assistance from programs for which they appear to be eligible.
- 10. Increase transparency and accountability in landlord-tenant agreements.
- 11. Fund strategic workforce housing for critical employees in difficult to fill positions, such as first responders, teachers, and health care workers.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON THIS 26th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024.

SANTA FE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Hank Hughes, Chair

ATTESTATION:	
Katharine E. Clark	
Santa Fe County Clerk	

Approved as to form:

Michael Nunez for

Jeff Young Santa Fe County Attorney Date:



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COUNTY OF SANTA FE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 27TH Day Of November, 2024 at 03:16:41 PM And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 2047763 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office

Katharine E. Clar _ County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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