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# Two Funding Opportunities Through the Indian Affairs Department for Infrastructure Projects

**SANTA FE** – The Indian Affairs Department (IAD) announces a unique opportunity for Nations, Pueblos, and Tribes to access not one, but two funding sources for urgent infrastructure projects, courtesy of the State Legislature's Fiscal Year 2024 grants.

# 1. Emergency Infrastructure Funding - Act Fast!

In response to pressing infrastructure needs, the Emergency Infrastructure Funding – Chapter 199, Section 25, has earmarked \$1,188,040.00 for emergency infrastructure projects. The application period opened on Friday, December 1, and closes at 5:00 pm on Friday, December 15, 2023.

## How to Apply:

- Apply through the <u>application link</u>.
- You must also submit a letter from Tribal Leadership describing the need for the emergency Infrastructure Fund. The letter must be sent to <u>janelle.frederick@iad.nm.gov</u>.

## 2. Federal Infrastructure Grants Matching Funds - Grab Your Share!

In a groundbreaking move, the State Legislature allocated \$12.5 million for Federal Infrastructure Grants Matching Funds. This fund is available for matching with Federal Infrastructure Grant Awards. Act swiftly as the application window opened on Friday, December 1, 2023, and will be reviewed on a rolling basis until funds are expended. **How to Apply:** Submit the following required documentation to <u>janelle.frederick@iad.nm.gov</u>:

- The Tribe's designated main point of contact and information.
- A copy of the Notice of Grant Award or Notice of Funding Award.
- Grant name, grant number, title, and federal agency awarding the grant.
- Federal grant amount.
- Request for matching funds.
- Matching funding must be expended by June 30, 2024.

For inquiries or assistance, contact Deputy Secretary Janelle Frederick at <u>janelle.frederick@iad.nm.gov</u> or 505-476-1600.

Seize this golden opportunity to address your community's critical infrastructure needs!

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Since 2003 the New Mexico Indian Affairs Department (IAD) has implemented groundbreaking state-tribal policies intended to improve the quality of life for the state's Native citizens. Our initiatives are designed to strengthen Tribal and state relations and address the challenges we face in our communities: economic development, infrastructure improvement, the protection of our cultures and languages, health care accessibility, and educational opportunities for our most precious resource— our children. Learn more at <u>www.iad.state.nm.us</u>.