

GANGS

OVERVIEW

Gangs pose a serious threat to public safety in many communities throughout New Mexico and the factors that contribute to gang activity in our state are extensive and complex. While jurisdictional boundaries in law enforcement remain unchanged, criminal gangs have become increasingly more migratory and diverse in their crimes. Not only do we have limited resources to effectively address the issues facing gang prevention/intervention, enforcement and re-entry efforts, but we lack a coordinated, comprehensive approach amongst these areas. Stakeholders from each of these areas acknowledge that we share a common goal but have different objectives; differences that can sometimes affect our ability to collaboratively work together.

PROGRAMS (Statewide)

Organization	Program/ Activity	Description	Location	Funding Source
A Peaceful Habitation PO Box 50326 Albuquerque, NM 87181 505-440-5937 www.apeacefulhabitation.org	Faith-based Female Re-entry	The organization provides transitional housing in a safe, secure, and home-like environment as well as faith-based, structured, supportive programs including mentoring, compliance counseling, and referrals to fulfill probation and parole mandates with the ultimate goal of successful re-entry to the community and society in general.	Grants Albuquerque Estancia	Non-profit
Alamogordo CYFD/YFS 2200 Indian Wells, Suite B Alamogordo, NM 88310 www.cyfd.org Cynthia Meyer-Grave 575-443-9961	Girls Circle	The organization provides a strengths-based, skill building approach that creates a safe space for girls, ages 8-18, to address risky behaviors, build on protective factors, and improve relationships. Each program session lasts 8 to 12 weeks and is accessed through JPPO referral.	Alamogordo	
Albuquerque Police Department 400 Roma Albuquerque, NM 87102 www.cabq.gov	Gang Enforcement	The department designates one sergeant and six full-time detectives to investigate gang-related/gang-involved crimes as well as eight full-time uniformed members of the Gang Enforcement Team (GET) and one sergeant to provide high visibility patrol/enforcement in order to suppress criminal gang activity.	Albuquerque	General Fund, Grant Funds
	Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) – Gang Prevention	The program is designed to help youth develop positive life skills that will help them avoid gang involvement and violent behavior. G.R.E.A.T. uses a communitywide approach to combat the risk factors associated with youth involvement in gang-related behaviors. The curricula were developed through the collaborative efforts of experienced law enforcement officers and specialists in criminology, sociology, psychology, education, health, and curriculum design and are designed to reinforce each other.	Albuquerque	Federal Grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance
	Gang Prevention/ Intervention - OptOut	The program is designed to reach at-risk youth and educate them and their parents about the risks of gang involvement. Home visits are conducted with a team of law enforcement personnel as a result of a referral.	Albuquerque	Grant Funding from Project Safe Neighborhood and NMGTF JAG funds
Artesia Drug and Crime Coalition PO Box 99 Artesia, NM 88210 575-746-0600	Community Coalition	The organization's purpose is to build and strengthen the capacity of the community, create a safe and healthy environment, and eliminate illegal drugs, gangs, and crime in the community.	Artesia	
Artesia Police Department 702 W Chisum Artesia, NM 88210 575-746-5000	Community Gang Awareness Training	The department provides basic gang training and awareness to the community.	Artesia	General Fund
Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department 400 Roma Albuquerque, NM 87102 505-468-7100 www.bernco.gov/sheriffs-office/	Gang Prevention/ Intervention - OptOut	The program is designed to reach at-risk youth and educate them and their parents about the risks of gang involvement. Home visits are conducted with a team of law enforcement personnel as a result of a referral.	Bernalillo County	Grant Funding from Project Safe Neighborhood and NMGTF JAG funds
	Gang Enforcement	The department designates one sergeant and three full-time detectives to investigate gang-related/gang-involved crimes as well as eight part-time Gang Recognition and Intelligence Patrol (GRIP) deputies and one sergeant who collect gang related intelligence for the Criminal Investigations Division (CID) and facilitate the dissemination of intelligence from the CID to the field.		General Fund, Grant Funds

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Carlsbad Community Anti-Drug/Gang Coalition www.carlsbadcoalition.net	Community Coalition	The organization creates a safe, healthy, and drug and gang/crime free environment by conducting a formal community needs assessment of risk and protective factors and a community resources assessment to identify any gaps in priorities or programs needed. The assessments result in the implementation and evaluation of a community action plan.	Carlsbad	
Chaves County Sheriff's Office St. Mary's Place Roswell, NM 88203 575-624-6500	Gang Enforcement	The department designates two part-time deputies for enforcement activities.	Chaves County	General Fund
CYFD-Juvenile Probation www.cyfd.org	Gang Awareness Training	The purpose of this program is to provide basic gang awareness training to parents/teachers and service providers and discuss solutions for dealing with the issues. Services are accessed at the request of the recipient organization.	Albuquerque	General Fund
	Gang Prevention/ Intervention - OptOut	The program is designed to reach at-risk youth and educate them and their parents about the risks of gang involvement. Home visits are conducted with a team of law enforcement personnel as a result of a referral.	Albuquerque Santa Fe Rio Rancho	Grant Funding from Project Safe Neighborhood and NMGTJ JAG funds
Department of Homeland Security / Immigration and Customs Enforcement	Gang Enforcement	The department designates two officers for enforcement activities as a collateral duty.		
Espanola Hands Across Cultures, Corporation #89 La Puebla Rd. Espanola, NM 87532 www.handsacrosscultures.org	Project SUCCESS, Project Northland and Class Action – Indirect services aimed primarily at substance abuse	The organization provides substance abuse prevention programs that include role-playing to teach appropriate social interactions, learning about inner-self, writing poetry, and other activities. Children are referred through the school and are referred out for counseling and other services, if necessary.	Espanola	Non-profit
Farmington Police Department 800 Municipal Dr. Farmington, NM 87401 505-327-7701	Gang Enforcement	The department designates one sergeant and four full-time officers. All gang officers are assigned to the regional drug task force.	Farmington	General Fund, JAG Federal Grant
Federal Bureau of Investigation	Safe Streets Task Force (SSTF) – Gang Enforcement	The program is designed to allow each field office to address violent street gangs and drug-related violence through the establishment of FBI sponsored, long-term, proactive task forces focusing on violent gangs, crime of violence, and the apprehension of violent fugitives. The program is the vehicle through which all of the federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies join together to address the violent crime plaguing their communities.	Albuquerque Las Cruces	Federal Budget
La Plazita Institute 831 Isleta Blvd. SW Albuquerque, NM 87105 505-508-1802	No direct gang services	The organization provides programs designed around the philosophy of "La Cultura Cura" (culture heals). The programs engage youth, elders, and communities in a comprehensive, holistic, and cultural approach to draw from their own roots and histories to express core traditional values of respect, honor, love, and family.	Albuquerque Metro	Non-profit
Las Cruces Police Department 217 E. Picacho Las Cruces, NM 88001 575-528-4200	Gang Suppression and Training	Targeting Neighborhood Threats (TNT) is a fulltime gang unit supervised by one sergeant and four officers. They assist other officers and various federal, state, and local agencies in gathering intelligence, gang suppression, investigations, and educating the public of the dangers involving gangs in the community.	Las Cruces	General Fund, Project Safe Neighborhoods Funding
Los Lunas Police Department	Gang Suppression	The department designates two part-time deputies for enforcement activities.	Los Lunas	General Fund
New Day Youth and Family Services 1330 San Pedro, Suite 201-B Albuquerque, NM 87110 (505) 260-9912 www.ndnm.org		The mission of New Day Youth & Family Services is to engage troubled youth and their families in charting a proactive life course that will help them become meaningful and productive members of our community.	Rio Rancho	Non-profit

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New Mexico Corrections Department PO Box 27116 Santa Fe, NM 87502-0116 505-827-8645 www.corrections.state.nm.us/	Security Threat Intelligence Unit (STIU) Prison and Probation/ Parole	The department is responsible for the identification, monitoring, and management of prison and street gang members who are either incarcerated or are on probation or parole.	Statewide	General Fund
	Re-entry	The program reduces the potential for re-incarceration by providing prisoners in state custody and former prisoners on probation or parole with the comprehensive, evidence-based, programming and support services necessary to prepare for and maintain successful community reentry and reintegration.		
New Mexico Gang Task Force PO Box 3457 Albuquerque, NM 87190 505-875-3500 www.dps.nm.org/index.php/gang-task-force/	Gang Enforcement/ Intelligence	The organization provides federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement and criminal justice agencies with training, intelligence, networking, and overtime funding for gang enforcement and youth prevention/intervention operations. It participates in and facilitates communication and collaboration between law enforcement, community groups, schools, social services agencies, and governmental organizations to address the factors that contribute to the gang problem.	Statewide	Primarily through JAG Federal Grant
	Law Enforcement Training			
	Community Education Youth Prevention			
New Mexico National Guard	Youth Prevention– Civil Operations	The organization increases awareness, inspires motivation, and provides leadership and guidance in supporting the commitment of youth to be drug free. Activities include leadership camps, adventure-based camps, educational programs, and assisting community based organizations and coalitions in promoting anti-gang messages.	Statewide	
New Mexico Sheriff and Police Athletic League 2704 Girard Blvd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87110 505-254-4805 www.nmpal.com	Youth prevention	The organization provides a recreation-oriented, juvenile crime prevention program that relies heavily upon athletics and recreational activities to create and cement the bond between police officers and street kids. The program is based on the strong belief that children, if they are reached early enough, can develop a strong, positive attitude towards police officers in their journey through life towards the goal of adulthood and good citizenship.		Non-profit
New Mexico Department of Public Safety 4491 Cerrillos Rd. Santa Fe, NM 87504 www.dps.nm.org	New Mexico State Police (NMSP)	The department designates seventeen sergeants and sixty agents that work gangs as an auxiliary duty.	Statewide	General Fund, JAG Grant Fund
Public Education Department 5600 Eagle Rock Ave. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113	General prevention/ intervention	The department supports each school district to develop programs that address community needs, which may include a direct focus on gangs, indirect, or both. The programs provide early identification, intervention, and referral services and may include after school programming and community collaborative services.	Statewide	
Rio Rancho Police Department 500 Quantum Rd. Rio Rancho, NM 87124 505-891-5900	Gang Enforcement	The department designates one sergeant and eleven part-time officers for enforcement activities	Rio Rancho	General Fund
	Gang Prevention/ Intervention - OptOut	The program is designed to reach at-risk youth and educate them and their parents about the risks of gang involvement. Home visits are conducted with a team of law enforcement personnel as a result of a referral.	Rio Rancho	Grant Funding from Project Safe Neighborhood and NMGTF JAG funds
Rio Rancho Public Schools 421 Quantum Rd. NE Rio Rancho, NM 87124 www.rrps.net	Protecting You Protecting Me – Indirect service	The program addresses the effects of alcohol on the brain, which inhibits the individual from important decision making skills, including gang involvement and other problem behavior such as drug abuse. Peer educators implement in-class and after-school programs to elementary school students.	Rio Rancho	

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Taos County Juvenile Justice Board 1335 Gusdorf Road Blvd. E Taos, NM 87571 575-737-9537 www.taosjuvenilejusticeboard.com/index.html	Gang Prevention/ Gang Resistance Is Powerful (GRIP)	Recognizing it is easier to keep kids out of gangs than to intervene in the lives of hard core gang members, the program targets 2 nd and 5 th grade students. Students who are identified at high risk for gang recruitment are referred to Taos MEN for mentoring. The Gang Prevention Committee provides educational materials to parents to help them keep their children out of gangs.	Taos County	Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (JJAC) through the Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD)
Thirteenth Judicial District Attorney's Office	Law Enforcement Training	The organization provides cross-training with prosecutors, agents, and officers involved with drug and gang-related cases to implement strategies in the prevention, investigation, and prosecution of these crimes.	Sandoval County	Federal Grant Funds, Donations
San Juan Safe Communities Initiative, Inc. 100 W. Broadway Farmington, NM 87401 www.sjsoci.org	After School Programs – Indirect service	Located in a community center, the programs are designed to give kids in the surrounding neighborhoods positive and constructive things to do after school, on weekends, and during holidays. Offerings include literacy and tutoring assistance, computer learning, intramural sports, swimming, arts and crafts, and gardening.	Farmington	Non-profit
	Parent Source and Life Skills – Indirect service	The six-week program emphasizes parenting skills where gang mentality is addressed and hopefully modified. Additionally, financial literacy and life skills are taught. This program is mostly voluntary, but does include some referrals.	Farmington	
San Juan County Adult Detention Facility	County Jail	The facility designates two full-time staff for enforcement activities.	San Juan County	General Fund
Santa Fe Santa Fe County DWI Program 2052 Galisteo St. Santa Fe, NM 87505 www.envisionyourfuture.org	Envision Your Future	This is a strength-based, non-clinical, positive youth development program that guides youth to develop the intrinsic motivation to make healthy choices in friends, behavior, and their education. Youth are referred through schools.	Santa Fe	
Santa Fe Police Department 2515 Camino Entrada Santa Fe, NM 505-428-3710	Gang Suppression	The department designates one sergeant and two part-time detectives for gang suppression activities.	Santa Fe	General Fund
	Gang Prevention/ Intervention - OptOut	The program is designed to reach at-risk youth and educate them and their parents about the risks of gang involvement. Home visits are conducted with a team of law enforcement personnel as a result of a referral.	Santa Fe	Grant Funding from Project Safe Neighborhood and NMGTF JAG funds
Second Judicial District Attorney 400 Lomas Blvd. NW Albuquerque, NM 505-841-7425	Gang Prosecution	The organization designates ten full-time staff (prosecutors, investigators, administration) for gang prosecution.	Bernalillo County	General Fund
	Community Reporting	The department designates two full-time staff that compile and reports prosecution statistics for gangs, retail theft, and community policing.		General Fund, JAG Grant Funds
U.S. Attorney's Office	Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) - Gang Enforcement and Prevention/ Intervention	The organization supports a nationwide commitment to reduce gun and gang crime by networking existing local programs that target gun and gun crime and providing these programs with additional tools necessary to be successful.	Albuquerque Las Cruces Artesia Española Dlo'ayazhi	BJA PSN Federal Grant
U.S. Probation	Federal Probation	The organization designates four full-time gang officers.		Federal budget

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Youth Development Inc. 6301 Central NW Albuquerque, NM 87105 www.ydinm.org	4SO (4 th Street Outreach) – Direct Gang Prevention/ Intervention Services	The organization provides gang prevention and intervention services to children and youth that are at-risk for gang recruitment and involvement or who have been identified as gang members. It also provides case management and pro-social activities (e.g., music, creative and performing art) to prevent and reduce youth participation in gangs. Services are accessed through referrals, court mandate, and drop in.	Albuquerque Metro Area	Most programs funded primarily through Federal funding
	Amistad – Indirect Service	The program indirectly addresses gang issues by providing short term, crisis shelter services (e.g., residential care, job development, life/social skills training, counseling) for youth who are runaways/homeless, abused or neglected, and need temporary out-of-home placement. Services are accessed by referral or walk in.	Bernalillo, Valencia, Sandoval, and Torrance Counties	
	Alamosa Outreach Community Center – Indirect Gang Prevention Services	The organization provides case management, recreation, education, and employment support and advocacy services for youth ages 5-21. Program activities include gang prevention, substance use prevention, infectious disease prevention education, tutoring, recreational activities, and field trips. Services are accessed by referral or by court mandate.	Albuquerque Metro Area	
	Wise Men/Women Mentorship Program	The program provides positive adult mentors matched with elementary through high school aged children to indirectly address gang issues. Youth are referred to the program by school personnel (e.g., teacher, counselor, principal).	Albuquerque Metro Area	
Acoma Pueblo Artesia Police Department Capitan Police Department Children, Youth and Families Curry County Sheriff's Office Kirtland AFB NMDPS/SID Roosevelt County Sheriff's Office 11th Judicial District Attorney 12th Judicial District Attorney	Gang Enforcement	Reported no gang-specific units or programs.		