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Call for Peer Reviewers: Round Four New Mexico Charter School Program Grant

Are you passionate about charter schools, have significant charter school experience and want to see the charter movement grow in New Mexico? We are seeking knowledgeable individuals, both from within and outside New Mexico, to serve as peer reviewers for subgrant applications for the New Mexico Charter School Program (CSP) Grant.

About the CSP Grant: The \$52 million New Mexico CSP Grant aims to support the growth and improvement of charter schools across New Mexico. Administered by Public Charter Schools of New Mexico, the grant aims to expand access to high-quality public-school seats across the state, improve learning outcomes for high-need students, and strengthen the overall stability of New Mexico's charter school sector.

For Round Four, the CSP grant has seven subgrants available. There are three subgrants available for new schools (up to \$2 million each) and four subgrants for expansion schools (up to \$1.5 million each) and one subgrant for replication (up to \$2 million) available in this funding round.

Peer Reviewer Responsibilities: Peer reviewers are needed to evaluate subgrant applications for the CSP Grant this year. Responsibilities include:

- Participate in initial peer reviewer and calibration training. While reviewing applications can be done on peer reviewers' own time, training will be held in person in Albuquerque, NM. Interested peer reviewers must be able to participate in initial peer reviewer training and calibration training with the NMCSP team.
- Review and provide thorough and constructive feedback on each application, assessing its strengths, weaknesses, and alignment with grant objectives according to a provided rubric. For finalist applications, peer reviewers will participate in capacity interviews of up to 90 minutes.
- Work collaboratively and communicate effectively with fellow peer reviewers and grant administrators.

Qualifications: We are looking for individuals who possess:

- Significant experience in the charter school sector;
- Expertise in educational leadership/administration, finance, or related fields;
- Strong analytical skills in assessing school quality and sustainable plans for school establishment and expansion;

Compensation: Peer reviewers will receive \$500 per application reviewed and \$100 for each capacity interview. Additionally, reviewers will have the opportunity to contribute to the advancement of charter school education in New Mexico, while expanding their professional networks and knowledge base.



How to Apply: If you are interested in serving as a peer reviewer for the CSP Grant cycle, please submit your resume along with responses to the questionnaire below, outlining your relevant experience and qualifications, to Melissa Fox (melissa@pcsnm.org) and Amelia (amelia@silphiumcollective.com) by June 30 at 5:00pm MT.

Applicants will also be asked to fill out a conflict of interest form in order to participate.

<https://forms.gle/JrQjJcGhzUbtKyGa7>

Deadline for Applications: June 30th at 5:00pm MT.

Contact Information: For inquiries or further information, please contact Melissa Fox (melissa@pcsnm.org) or (505) 377-9712 or Amelia Corl at (amelia@silphiumcollective.com).

Your expertise and dedication are vital to the success of the New Mexico Charter School Program Grant. Your participation will assist in the selection of worthy subgrantees for this exciting opportunity. Join us in shaping the future of charter school education in New Mexico and making a difference in the lives of students across the state.



Please Respond to the Following Prompts in 200 words or less:

Please expand on elements of your resume that demonstrate expertise in school leadership, administration, education finance, or related fields:

Please provide examples or experiences that demonstrate your ability to critically analyze charter school quality and strategic plans for opening or expansion.