

Our Partners

- Anna Age Eight Institute
- Breath of My Heart
- Creative Kids Care Center
- Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council, Inc
- Espanola Public Schools
- Family Learning Center
- Rio Arriba First Born Home Visiting
- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren
- LANL Foundation
- Las Cumbres Community Services
- Luz Del Sol, LLC
- McCurdy Ministries
- Moving Arts Espanola
- NM House of Representatives, District 41
- NM House of Representatives, District 40
- Northern New Mexico College
- Ohkay Owingeh School Board
- Presbyterian Española Hospital
- Rio Arriba County Health and Human Services
- Santa Cruz Farms
- United Way of Northern New Mexico
- YDI Head Start
- 2E Consults, LLC

Northern NM Partners will be added in the near future



Want to get involved?

We'd love to hear your ideas and learn how we can work together to strengthen our communities



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Rio Arriba County Early Childhood Collaborative (RACECC)



About RACECC

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In August of 2018, the LANL Foundation's Early Childhood Program began a community collaboration process with stakeholders from Rio Arriba County and surrounding areas in Northern New Mexico. The Collaborative became known as the Rio Arriba County Early Childhood Collaborative (RACECC) and began meeting to discuss how to improve the lives of children from 0-5 years of age and their families.

The goal of the Collaborative was to gather authentic community input and information, including that from tribal communities, and to develop an actionable Early Childhood Plan for children 0-5 and their families

Vision

Rio Arriba County is a place where all children are safe, healthy, supported and successful. Families are strong, and are solution-oriented; languages, cultures and traditions are honored and respected; children are ready for schools, and schools and communities are ready for children.

Mission

To model excellence and innovation in early childhood care and education (ages 0-5), and to strengthen families in an effort to make Rio Arriba County the best possible environment for healthy growth, strong child development where all children have equal access to quality early childhood services and are supported in authentic relationships, so they may become successful, life-long learners.



Community areas of focus

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Alignment, Coordination and Collaboration around early childhood issues

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Equitable Access to Early Childhood Services

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Public Awareness of Early Childhood and Professional Development

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Community Resilience Development / Trauma Prevention



Next Steps

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In 2022, RACECC received the ECECD System Building Grants, being offered by the state. This grant opportunity is aimed at achieving objectives in Families, Governance, and Funding, by leveraging community capacity. Through this grant our goals are,

- To expand outreach and engagement efforts to families living in more rural areas, as well to immigrant families who reside within Rio Arriba County.
- To utilize our wide network of partners/grantees throughout Northern New Mexico, including the Jicarilla Apache Tribe in Dulce, to help us expand the RACECC into the most rural and remote corners of the County.
- To strive for further diversification and inclusion in our membership and work.

