



State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2025-359

AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR THE NEW MEXICO NATIONAL GUARD DUE TO EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

WHEREAS, the City of Albuquerque, the largest city in the State of New Mexico, is experiencing a significant increase in crime, including but not limited to violent offenses, property crimes, and other public safety threats;

WHEREAS, the surge in criminal activity has placed an extraordinary burden on the Albuquerque Police Department, requiring them to divert resources and personnel to crime suppression efforts, thereby limiting their ability to perform other essential public safety functions;

WHEREAS, the Albuquerque Police Department has indicated that local resources are insufficient to address this emergency and has requested immediate assistance from the State of New Mexico;

WHEREAS, the New Mexico National Guard possesses the personnel, logistical capabilities, and resources necessary to provide non-law enforcement support to the City of Albuquerque, including assistance with traffic control, administrative duties, prisoner transport, court security, emergency response, and other critical functions that allow local law enforcement to focus on crime reduction efforts;

WHEREAS, this emergency requires immediate action to protect public peace, health, and safety;

WHEREAS, this disaster is of such magnitude as to be beyond local control and required the resources of the State of New Mexico to minimize economic or physical harm and to take actions necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare;

WHEREAS, the Governor initially declared a state of emergency for this disaster in Executive Order 2025-080; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico National Guard requires additional funding to continue its efforts to protect public peace, health, and safety in the City of Albuquerque.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Howie Morales, Lieutenant Governor of the State of New Mexico and acting Governor pursuant to Article V, Section 7 of the New Mexico Constitution, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of New Mexico, do hereby **DECLARE** a state of emergency to exist in the City of Albuquerque, and **ORDER** and **DIRECT** as follows:

1. The Department of Finance and Administration shall make available additional emergency financial resources in an amount not to exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000.00) to the New Mexico National Guard in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 12-11-23 to -25, and NMSA 1978, Sections 12-10-14 to -15. Such funds shall be expended for the purposes of avoiding or minimizing economic and physical harm; protecting the public health, safety, welfare; and providing emergency and disaster relief, including but not limited to the payment of any expense incident to the provision of humanitarian relief and other assistance to civil authorities. Such funds shall be paid out upon warrants drawn by the Secretary of Finance and Administration upon vouchers approved by the Governor, or an agent or agency designated by her for that purpose.

2. The Adjutant General shall order into service any elements of the New Mexico National Guard as are or may be needed to provide military support to civil authorities as needed for this emergency. This action is pursuant to and in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 20-1-1 to -8, NMSA 1978, Sections 20-2-1 to -8, NMSA 1978, Section 20-3-2(E), and NMSA 1978, Sections 20-4-1 to -14. Such emergency assistance shall be provided during the period of need at the discretion of the Governor or her Authorized Representative.

I FURTHER ORDER and DIRECT as follows:

1. This Order supersedes any previous orders, proclamations, or directives to the extent they are in conflict.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until all authorized funds are expended or no longer necessary to provide emergency assistance.

ATTEST:



MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER
SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 27TH DAY OF AUGUST 2025

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO



HOWIE MORALES
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

