



It's National Small Business Week!

SANTA FE, May 4, 2023 – On behalf of the City of Santa Fe, Mayor Alan Webber has proclaimed April 30 to May 6 as "National Small Business Week."

"Small businesses are the lifeblood of Santa Fe. They make Santa Fe special and they provide jobs to a lot of community residents," said Mayor Webber. "This summer, I'll be making visits to our mom and pop businesses to showcase how important they are. And I'll be listening for ways the City can be a better partner in helping our small businesses and new start-ups grow and thrive. Because in Santa Fe, celebrating and supporting our small businesses isn't limited to National Small Business Week—it's a year-round commitment."

"Small businesses are integral to the success and health of our community," said Johanna Nelson, Office of Economic Development Director. "Our team is focused on empowering entrepreneurs, increasing equitable access to resources and collaborating with community partners to create opportunities for economic growth."

In addition to celebrating National Small Business Week, the Office of Economic Development is expanding its support for local businesses with a range of new initiatives:

- Monthly small business webinar series to increase awareness of resources
- Monthly listening sessions with new businesses to learn from their experiences and feedback
- Quarterly Coffee and Collab convenings aimed to bring together local economic development practitioners

These measures are designed to strengthen the small business community and foster further growth in the city.

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Office of the Mayor
Official Proclamation of the City of Santa Fe
Bando Oficial de la Villa Real de Santa Fé de San Francisco de Asís Nuevo México

WHEREAS, America’s strongest economic growth in almost 40 years has been driven by the resilience of our small businesses that, despite a worldwide pandemic, continue to pioneer innovative solutions to our country’s greatest challenges and create opportunities for families and workers; and

WHEREAS, small businesses remain the heartbeat of our communities and the American economy, employing more than half of our Nation’s workers, inventing and innovating to launch new technologies and create new American-led industries, enriching our Main Streets, making parts and products in America to fuel our supply chains, and building our Nation’s infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, historic investments made through the President’s American Rescue Plan, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, CHIPS and Science Act, and Inflation Reduction Act will ensure small businesses have access to federal capital support, technical assistance, contracting opportunities, and other resources to help lead the way as we rebuild America’s roads and bridges and build a clean energy economy for the future; and

WHEREAS, when we support small businesses, jobs are created, and local communities preserve their unique culture; and

WHEREAS, entrepreneurship continues to be one of the best pathways to the American Dream, evidenced by the remarkable small business boom, with more than 10.5 million Americans applying to start a business since January 20, 2021 — more than in any other two-year period in American history; and

WHEREAS, by renewing our commitment to supporting small businesses, we can maintain our global competitiveness and build a stronger Nation where everyone can succeed - from the bottom up and middle out; and

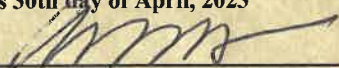
WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed National Small Business Week every year since 1963 to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs through the U.S. Small Business Administration and other government agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe supports and joins in this national effort to recognize the contributions of small businesses to the American economy and their importance to ensuring that our local communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 30 THROUGH MAY 6, 2023, AS

“NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK”

Promulgada en el ayuntamiento, el
día treinta de abril, del año 2023
Done at City Hall, this 30th day of April, 2023

Witness my hand: 
Alcalde/Mayor

