

Your monthly report from Your Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Socorro Electric Receives \$433,797 from USDA/RUS Grant SEC is Investing in the Future of Rural Communities

One of the greatest responsibilities we have as your electric cooperative is to look beyond today's needs and prepare our communities for tomorrow's opportunities. That is why I am excited to share some outstanding news.

Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been awarded a \$433,797 grant through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program.

This award is more than just funding—it is an investment in the people who call our service territory home. The award enables SEC to create a shared technology-equipped learning space that members and community organizations can use to host remote training, educational programs, and virtual meetings. Equipped with video conferencing technology, headsets, and reliable internet access, this space would provide a convenient location for members to participate in distance learning opportunities that may otherwise be unavailable in rural areas.

Securing competitive federal grants like this allows us to bring additional investments into our communities without placing that financial burden on our members. Every dollar we secure through grants is another step toward strengthening rural New Mexico while protecting the value we provide to our membership.

This achievement is the result of teamwork. I want to thank our employees and partners whose dedication and hard work made this opportunity possible. Their commitment to serving our members extends far beyond delivering reliable electric service—it includes finding innovative ways to improve the quality of life in the communities we serve.

As your CEO, I remain committed to pursuing opportunities that strengthen our cooperative and position us for the future. Whether it is improving electric reliability, modernizing our system, expanding technology, or bringing new resources into our communities, our focus remains the same: serving our members with integrity, innovation, and accountability.

Thank you for the trust you place in Socorro Electric Cooperative. Together, we will continue building a stronger, more connected future for the families and communities we proudly serve.

WE WANT TO SERVE YOU,
Manuel J. Gonzales, CEO



SPOTLIGHT on TEAM SEC - Meet our Staff, Your Neighbor

Mackenzey Romero joined SEC in October 2025 as our Collections Clerk and quickly demonstrated the dedication and professionalism that earned her a promotion to Executive Assistant & Human Resources Generalist just two months later. Her growth reflects the opportunities available when hard work and teamwork come together.

A lifelong Socorro resident and Socorro High School graduate, Mackenzey recently earned her Associate Degree in Business and is continuing her education toward a Bachelor's Degree in Business through UNM—all while working full-time at SEC.

Outside of work and school, Mackenzey enjoys spending time with her family, traveling, and supporting her nieces and nephews at their many sporting events. She appreciates SEC's four-day workweek, which helps her maintain a healthy balance between her career and personal life.

We are proud to have Mackenzey as part of the SEC team. Her commitment to learning, positive attitude, and collaborative spirit help strengthen our workplace and the exceptional service we provide to our members every day.



Mackenzey Romero
Executive Assistant/
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Monday through Thursday
7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

REPORTING AN OUTAGE

Before reporting a power outage, please check the circuit breakers in your house first. If you still do not have power after checking your breakers, please call **575-835-0560, 800-351-7575 or 855-881-8159.**

If you get a busy signal, it is an indication that someone else is experiencing an outage as well; however please continue to call, this will help us pinpoint the problem.

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HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR ORGANIZATION !!

Just a reminder that we are looking for engaged members to serve on our SEC Member Advisory Committee (SECMAC). This committee was created to provide valuable feedback, shares ideas, and help ensure our programs and services reflect the needs of our membership.

Whether you've been a SEC member for years or just recently joined, your perspective is important. We're seeking individuals with a variety of experiences and backgrounds who are interested in making a positive impact.

Committee members will will serve as a direct link between SEC members, the Board of Trustees, and management. Its purpose is to foster open dialogue, build member confidence, and provide meaningful input on matters that impact our membership.



We are committed to providing board access, enhanced communication, rate transparency, and better member visibility for all SEC members.

SIGN UP TODAY!!

Click on this QR Code to access the "Volunteer Form". Complete it and bring it by our main office in Socorro at 215 Manzares, or mail it to: Socorro Electric Cooperative, Manny Gonzales, PO Box H, Socorro, NM 87801.

June 24, 2026 Board Meeting Report...the Board

- approved the SEC Foundation's support of the NM Tech STEM Program.
- approved the modified stipulation order from the NMPRC with the condition that no penalty be imposed on SEC members.

All board agendas, minutes, and videos can be found on our website at:
www.socorroelectric.com/board/resources