

# New Mexico Local DWI Programs

## Fact Sheet



- The Local DWI Grant Fund was established in 1993, granting funding and statutory authority for local government to address DWI. [7-1-6.40 NMSA 1978; 11-6A-1 through 11-6A-6 NMSA 1978]
- The LDWI Grant Fund distributes funding to all 33 counties through Planning Councils and County Commissions who identify initiatives to address gaps and needs unique to their community.
- Local county programs provide a comprehensive, integrated, multi-faceted, needs-based approach to the complex issue of DWI.
- LDWI resources fund 199 individual components (FY2005) in the state's thirty-three counties.
- Allowable components for funding include:
  - Prevention activities – especially school based programs such as *Protecting You, Protecting Me*. In FY2005, 4,189 school-based DWI/substance abuse prevention activities were provided involving 87,767 students.
  - Enforcement activities – checkpoints, saturation patrols, FTE's, underage enforcement, etc. In FY2005, 176 enforcement activities were funded.
  - Treatment – outpatient services & jail-based treatment. Sixty-five percent (65%) of grant funds awarded must be used within this component.
  - Alternative Sentencing – alcohol monitoring ankle bracelets, community service programs, alcohol-related teen court, community custody initiatives, etc.
  - Alcohol Screening – State-mandated screening of all convicted DWI offenders. In FY2005, 6,371 DWI offenders were screened (this number does not include Bernalillo County Metro Court, who just recently began contributing screening data).
  - Compliance Monitoring – tracking, follow-up, and/or supervised probation-type efforts to provide offender accountability and maintain the offender profile and tracking database. More than 37,000 offenders were tracked in FY2005.
  - Alcohol-Related Domestic Violence – programs to enhance the safety and emotional well being of women, men, children and their families.
  - Detoxification Programs – in Bernalillo, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, San Juan, Santa Fe, and Socorro Counties. \$2.8 million is divided among these counties according to a fixed, population-based amount.
  - Coordination, Planning & Evaluation – Coordinators at the county level oversee DWI project efforts, monitor grant activities, plan funding requests, and ensure implementation of the state-mandated offender profile and tracking system.