

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY SIXTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. M-24-3 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Renée Grout

1 MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING STATE SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PILOT
3 PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND HOUSING
4 RESOURCE DASHBOARD.

5 WHEREAS, behavioral health and housing stability are critical issues
6 affecting the well-being of residents across the State of New Mexico,
7 especially in Albuquerque; and

8 WHEREAS, Albuquerque, as the State's largest city, faces significant
9 challenges related to behavioral health, homelessness, and access to
10 affordable housing; and

11 WHEREAS, the lack of centralized and accessible data has hindered
12 service providers, policymakers, and community organizations from
13 effectively addressing the interconnected issues of behavioral health and
14 housing; and

15 WHEREAS, a comprehensive behavioral health and housing services
16 dashboard would serve as an essential tool to consolidate, visualize, analyze
17 data, thereby enabling better coordination of resources and more informed
18 decision-making; and

19 WHEREAS, such a dashboard would provide real-time insight into the
20 availability of behavioral health services, shelter beds, affordable housing
21 units, and supportive programs, ensuring resources are allocated to those in
22 greatest need; and

23 WHEREAS, other municipalities across the country have successfully
24 implemented similar systems, demonstrating improved service delivery and
25 outcomes for vulnerable populations; and

1 WHEREAS, a pilot program in Albuquerque would serve as a scalable
2 model for other communities throughout New Mexico, fostering a more
3 equitable and efficient approach to behavioral health and housing services
4 statewide; and

5 WHEREAS, the City has expressed its commitment to addressing these
6 pressing issues but requires state-level support to implement and sustain
7 innovative solutions; and

8 WHEREAS, investing in such a pilot program aligns with the state's
9 broader goals of improving public health, reducing homelessness, and
10 enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

11 BE IT MEMORIALIZED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
12 CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE:

13 SECTION 1. The Albuquerque City Council urges the New Mexico State
14 Legislature to appropriate \$350,000 to the City of Albuquerque for the
15 development and implementation of a pilot program to establish a behavioral
16 health and housing resource dashboard, initially serving residents of
17 Albuquerque.

18 SECTION 2. The City Clerk is directed to transmit copies of the Memorial to the
19 City of Albuquerque State Legislative Delegation, the New Mexico Legislature,
20 the Governor of New Mexico, and other appropriate state agencies.

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