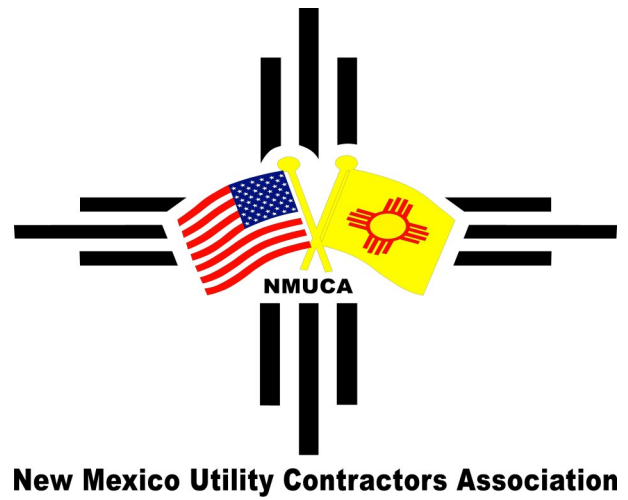


# NMUCA's Top Ten In 2025



See what your support and membership accomplished in 2025!

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**YOU!**

One of the greatest benefits of association membership is the opportunity to network and form meaningful connections with others in the industry. It is invaluable to engage with people who understand the challenges we face and who share in the successes of our industry. Being a member of NMUCA means you are connected to the utility construction community in a purposeful and positive way. NMUCA's most valuable asset, and our constant focus—is **YOU!**

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## Meetings

NMUCA provides numerous opportunities for members to come together throughout the year including four membership meetings featuring speakers from the New Mexico Business Coalition, NM811, the NM PRC Pipeline Safety Bureau, and NM OSHA, along with our Scholarship, Safety Awards, and Zia Partnerships luncheon. We also hosted our 4th Annual "Meet the Generals" event, & Associate Showcase where we highlighted vendor partners. In addition, we held several afternoon socials immediately following board meetings. These gatherings offer a great opportunity to meet the board, connect with staff, and network with peers in a relaxed and enjoyable environment.



## Industry Partnerships

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NMUCA is strengthened through our ongoing collaboration with industry groups, organizations, and agencies across New Mexico. We are proud to be a founding member of both the New Mexico Regional Common Ground Alliance and the Construction Safety Coalition. In addition, we work closely with NM811, the PRC Pipeline Safety Bureau, and Builders Trust to enhance safety, advance damage prevention, and address the challenges facing our industry. NMUCA is involved in and works with the following organizations: ASA, ABC, MCA, AGC, ACNM, NMBC, NMRCGA, NM811, CSC, NMDOT, AMAFCA, SMACNA, OSHA, PSB, PRC, ABCWUA, NMGC, PNM, NAIOP.

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## NMUCA Committees

The Safety, HR, and Planning Committees are the backbone of our association and remain some of your most valuable resources for staying informed, up-to-date, and engaged with NMUCA. Information from committees is shared with members through email, webpage, & newsletter. Our HR Committee keeps you current on the ever-changing world of human resources. The Planning Committee is dedicated to delivering events that are truly worthy of your time. These include Social Networking, Member Meetings, Isotopes, Tinnin Clay Shoot, Golf Tournament, and our End-of-Year Holiday Social. The Safety Committee provides a valuable forum for discussing best practices and recommendations. This committee monitors OSHA standards and any change in regulations that may impact your company's safety plans and goals.



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## Zia NMOSHA Partnership & Safety Awards

Through our partnership we have a very strong relationship with NMOSHA. We have a CAS participate on our Safety Committee and used as a resource for members. Partnerships were renewed and recognized for their efforts. The safety partnership is working with other industry associations to create a Heat Stress regulation better suited for NM.



The NMUCA Safety Awards were presented to the recipients in June. Safety Award winners pave the way for all NMUCA members as examples of excellence in Safety.

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## Golf & Scholarships

Our Last Ditch Open golf tournament was one of our best years yet with a sell-out and raised enough money to fund our scholarships. We raised the scholarship amount for recipients this year, and NMUCA awarded four scholarships in 2025 The scholarship recipients are studying Business, Real Estate, and Engineering. we wish them very best in their studies!



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## Meetings, Training, Dig Talks

NMUCA provides opportunities for training and learning throughout the year. In 2025 the following were offered/focused: Damage Prevention, Fiber Build Challenges, Generations in the Workplace, Managing a Disaster, Positive Response, Winter Driving, Ladder Safety, OSHA Fatality Report, Utility Locator Skills, NM811 Procedural Changes, PRC/PSB NM811 Law Changes, Legislative Wrap-up, Bernalillo County Fugitive Dust, NMOSHB Heat Stress, Fall Protection, Distracted Driving, Best Practices Fuel Storage Tanks, Trench Safety, Vehicle Theft Prevention, Fire Safety, Training for Active Violence, Heart Health, Suicide Prevention. Our goal is to offer high-quality educational programs featuring expert speakers and instructors, ensuring that you remain informed, prepared, and well-trained.

Knowledge is power!



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## Legislation

NMUCA's efforts are geared towards a healthy business environment where government agencies have the least amount of control possible over your business decisions. NMUCA worked all levels in 2025 to educate lawmakers on the merits of infrastructure investment, & for the freedom to run your business as you see fit. There were very significant victories in 2025 including \$13.25 Million in Water Funding for FY2026, Drinking Water System Grants and Loans, \$1.2 billion in Capital Outlay and bills that were killed- Workers Comp Changes (hefty increases), NMFMLA proposed Paid Family & Medical Leave Act during the legislative session, and once again we fought and won to keep Type A Public Works' exemption intact. NMUCA always advocates for infrastructure investments in NM. NMUCA is and will remain your voice at all government levels.



## Board of Directors

The Board leads the association with the utmost integrity, professionalism, and dedication to our mission. Their work ensures the continuity and long-term strength of our organization. Board members serve as your advocates, committed to providing exceptional value for your investment and supporting the success of every member. The Board holds a yearly planning session to evaluate progress, set priorities, and identify ways to enhance your experience and membership.

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Lastly, as your Executive Director and Lobbyist, I want to thank each and every one of you for your membership in NMUCA and for the confidence you place in me to do the job you expect and deserve. I am truly proud to work for you and hope to continue doing so for many years. I have never done this work alone; the real strength of our association comes from you and from the many volunteers who give their time and energy to ensure your membership remains a valuable investment. I am always striving to improve, and I welcome suggestions, openly and gratefully. Please feel free to call me anytime; I'm always happy to connect. It is my mission to manage the association with professionalism and to be a reliable resource for our members. I encourage you to become even more involved with NMUCA in the coming year. Your engagement not only enhances your experience and benefits your company, but it also strengthens our association exponentially.

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