

## OBAE Employee Receives Prestigious NM Women in Tech Award

New Mexico Office of Broadband Access & Expansion sent this bulletin at 01/17/2025 12:20 PM MST

Bringing Connectivity to Your Community



### New Mexico's Geospatial Information Officer Receives *NM Women in Tech Award*

#### Broadband Office Employee Among Eight Honorees



Natalie Runyan, NM Geospatial Information Officer

The Office of Broadband Access and Expansion (OBAE) proudly announces that Natalie Runyan, New Mexico's Geospatial Information Officer, has been named a *2025 New Mexico Women in Technology Honoree* by the New Mexico Technology Council. This prestigious award recognizes dynamic women who exhibit extraordinary ambition, passion and talent in their tech careers.

Runyan, a true trailblazer, is the chief mapping and spatial data administrator for the state's broadband expansion program. She provides vital data through various geospatial and integrated systems, including GPS and GIS, to provide best ways to expand high-speed internet. Her high-tech skills and data analysis are crucial in providing broadband to rural, tribal and other areas in the state.

"I am honored to win a 2025 Women in Tech Award," said Runyan. "It is empowering to stand alongside other women turning technology into creative solutions. I thrive on making data accessible to decision-makers, leveraging technology to tell complex stories, and OBAE has embraced this as we race to get broadband internet to all New Mexicans. I hope that these awards inspire others to pursue their passions in tech."

Thanks to Runyan's achievements in data production management, analysis projects and geodatabase design, families and businesses are receiving high-speed internet, allowing them access to telehealth, education, government services and other online opportunities to improve their lives.

Runyan, a driven leader, empowers a team of specialists from multiple lines of business and areas of expertise to be creative while also working within operational standards and procedures to develop a system for the broadband office using powerful technologies and data. As technical lead and mapping project manager, Runyan writes technical work plans, produces special projects and budgets, manages contract awards and oversees planning and risk assessment.

Runyan is a South Carolina native who has made New Mexico her home for more than 30 years. She currently lives in Albuquerque.

Seven other dynamic tech leaders in New Mexico received the award.

The New Mexico Technology Council has given out the *New Mexico Women in Technology Award* for 17 years, honoring the many contributions of women who drive innovation and progress in the state's tech industry.

The *2025 New Mexico Women in Technology Awards* ceremony will be held on March 13, at the National Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque.

If you have questions about any of these opportunities, please contact us via email at [Broadband@doit.nm.gov](mailto:Broadband@doit.nm.gov).

You are receiving this email due to your participation in a past broadband event, or your interest in the importance of connectivity for your organization or the communities you serve. You can unsubscribe below.

Office of Broadband Access and Expansion | 715 Alta Vista St, Santa Fe, NM 87505

## Subscribe to updates from New Mexico Office of Broadband Access & Expansion

Email Address

e.g. name@example.com

SUBSCRIBE

## Share Bulletin



POWERED BY



[Privacy Policy](#) | [Cookie Statement](#) | [Help](#)