

OBAE to Attend Cabinet in Your Community in Mescalero & Ruidoso

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OBAE Acting Director to Attend Governor's *Cabinet in Your Community* Events in Mescalero & Ruidoso



Acting Director Drew Lovelace and other OBAE representatives are looking forward to connecting with residents in Mescalero and Ruidoso on Friday and Saturday (Sept. 20-21) as part of the Governor's *Cabinet in Your Community* tour.

OBAE will be available at two expos and two town halls to address questions about broadband expansion and infrastructure deployment across the state. The Office will answer questions about grant awards, state and federal grant programs and other issues.

Hundreds of millions of federal and state dollars are currently available to deploy high-speed internet to unserved and underserved locations across New Mexico.

Cabinet in Your Community events serve as an opportunity for local residents to address the Cabinet and ask questions about services and problems in their communities.

"We look forward to meeting residents one-on-one to discuss broadband needs and answer questions," said Lovelace. "The Ruidoso area was devastated by the recent fires, and communications was a big concern. We want to do everything we can to ease any concerns and get results when it comes to broadband."

Digitunity, a nonprofit organization working with OBAE, will also be at the expos. Digitunity will be collecting applications from community members interested in receiving donated refurbished desktop computers.

Here are the details of *Cabinet in Your Community*:

Mescalero, NM

Friday, September 20, 2024 State Services Expo: 3-7 p.m. Community Town Hall: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Inn of the Mountain Gods, 287 Carrizo Canyon Road

Ruidoso, NM

Saturday, September 21, 2024 State Services Expo: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Community Town Hall: 1-4 p.m. Ruidoso High School, 125 Warrior Drive

If you have questions about any of these opportunities, please contact us via email at Broadband@doit.nm.gov.

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