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Bingaman: VA Funding to Help Low-Income New Mexico Veterans and Their Families

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WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman announced today that the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has awarded Goodwill Industries of New Mexico a \$574,651 grant to help prevent homelessness among New Mexico veterans and their families.

"Transitioning back to civilian life can be difficult for many veterans. I'm glad Goodwill Industries of New Mexico has been selected to help address the serious problem of homelessness among veterans and their families." **Bingaman** said.

"It is an honor and a privilege for Goodwill Industries of New Mexico to be selected by the VA to provide homeless and near homeless veterans and their families with housing assistance and supportive services in the following New Mexico counties: San Juan, Cibola, McKinley, Valencia, Bernalillo, Sandoval and Torrance. This grant will allow us to provide much-needed services to our New Mexico veterans, and is a natural addition to the services we already provide statewide, such as Traumatic Brain Injury case management, job placement services and training opportunities. Goodwill New Mexico is committed to providing a link for veterans to access short-term services such as child care, food and transportation, and long-term services such as VA medical benefits, Social Security insurance, Medicaid/Medicare, among others," said **Mary Best**, President/CEO, Goodwill Industries of New Mexico.

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