

# SUPPORT *for* SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS

Sexual assault in New Mexico has reached crisis levels and is in need of intervention. This year, federal funding for crime victim services (VOCA) decreased by up to 27% or \$500,000. Sexual assault programs need an additional \$2 million in CVRC and children's advocacy centers need \$1 million in CYFD.

**ASK: accept the \$2m recommended agency increase in CVRC #780 contractual services and \$1m for CYFD #690**

New Mexico is one of the **Top 10** states in the nation for rates of sexual violence

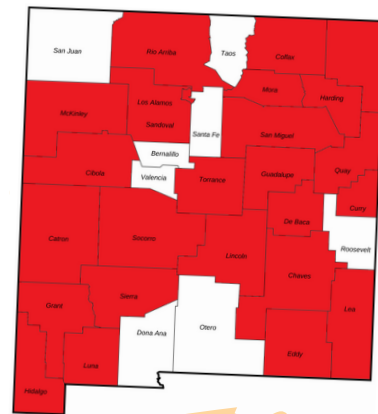
## TO MAINTAIN SERVICES AND ADDRESS GAPS:

### Sexual assault programs need \$2 million

- For SASPs to end wait lists and address rural & underserved service gaps
- For SANEs to address geographic (rural) service gaps

### Children's advocacy centers need \$1 million

- For CACs to address underserved & rural gaps



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**NM Counties Lack Adequate Sexual Assault Services**

**12+ MONTH WAITLIST** for sexual assault services

**3+ HOUR DRIVE** for some rural survivors to get a sexual assault examination

Sexual assault service programs and children's advocacy centers are prepared to spend this funding immediately and have not reverted any state funding in the past.