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**PUEBLO OF JEMEZ HOUSING AUTHORITY RECEIVES \$1 MILLION
INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT**

Jemez Pueblo, NM (December 9, 2021) - The Pueblo of Jemez Housing Authority (POJHA), a Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE) for the Pueblo of Jemez is pleased to announce they have been awarded \$1,035,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG), through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

This much-needed funding will be used to build three housing units at the Pueblo Place Subdivision. These homes would assist in easing the overcrowding caused by existing housing shortages and provide safe, healthy, and sanitary living conditions. Importantly, the planned project will help prevent, prepare for and/or respond to COVID-19.

"POJHA appreciates the support provided throughout the grant application process and truly thankful for the award. As we move forward in developing the Pueblo Place Housing Subdivision, these additional homes will be added to the entire project" says Greta Armijo, POJHA Executive Director who is responsible for overseeing the daily operations of the authority and will lead the subdivision project. "Throughout the pandemic, the Pueblo of Jemez has faced many challenges and have identified the need for our families to live in a safe and healthy environment. The Indian Community Development Block Grant funding will allow us to address the housing needs of our tribal community throughout the pandemic and beyond." Governor Michael Toledo, Jr.

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About the Pueblo of Jemez Housing Authority

The Pueblo of Jemez Housing Authority was established in December 2019 by the Pueblo of Jemez Tribal Council pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and is governed by a five-member board, all from the Pueblo of Jemez, who are dedicated to addressing the housing needs of our community members.

About the Pueblo of Jemez

The Pueblo of Jemez is a federally recognized tribe located in north-central New Mexico, approximately 50 miles northwest of Albuquerque. We are one of the remaining 19 pueblos of New Mexico, encompassing over 89,000 acres of land and home to over 3,400 tribal members. The people of Jemez cherish their ancestral traditions and are proud to integrate their culture with modern society.