

**SOUTHERN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, INC. (S.N.M.H.D.)
RURAL ORGANIZATIONAL PROJECT ENTITY (R.O.P.E.)
BORDER INITIATIVE GROUP (BIG)/AVANZAR
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

This Memorandum of Understand (MOU) will serve to document the understanding between S.N.M.H.D./R.O.P.E./B.I.G./AVANZAR, hereinafter referred to as the "Entity" and its individual/provider hereinafter referred to as the "Member." This MOU will be in effect when signed by both parties and in force until changed or cancelled by the parties.

THE ENTITY AND MEMBER DO HEREBY AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Both will work together in order to identify and prioritize the service needs of New Mexico county and surrounding areas.
2. Both will work in the development and implementation of short/long term plans and assessments that will assist the Entity in obtaining funds for meeting the community identified needs of the children, youth, and families in Southern New Mexico (Dona Ana, Sierra, Socorro, Luna). And U.S. /Mexico Border Area.
3. The Member agrees to commit to a minimum of one year as a participant of the advisory board and its subcommittees. Furthermore, it is agreed that the Directors will be the representative of a member agency unless stipulated in writing, for voting purposes.
4. The Member will participate and assist the Entity in the scheduled meetings in order to give input and direction of the project and its related goals and activities.
5. The Member will work with the Entity membership so that continual communication between the Entity and the project staff is maintained throughout the existence of the project contract to insure project evaluation.
6. The Entity agrees to work with the members in order to provide continuity in the acquisition, coordination and allocation of resources to the project in accordance with the standards of State contract.
7. The Member agrees to participate and make recommendations to the Entity on recruitment and selection of projects so appropriate funding may be sought.
8. The Member agrees to work with the Entity in the development and support of working documents (proposals) toward the retention of future funding and agrees *not* to compete against entity for same funding (individually or with other groups).
9. Neither the Member nor the Entity shall be liable for any damages resulting from the negligent or wrongful acts of the other's employees or contractors in the performance of this agreement. Each party shall defend and hold harmless the other from any such damage or liabilities.
10. This agreement shall be governed by the Laws of the State of New Mexico.
11. Any party may terminate this agreement upon Thirty (30) days written notification.

Southern New Mexico Human Development, Inc.
Rural Organizational Project Entity/
Border Initiative Group/Avanzar

Agency Member

Executive Director/ Designee Signature

Director/Designee Signature

Printed Name

Date

Printed Name

Date