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**United Way of Central New Mexico Hosts Legislative Panel**

Albuquerque, NM – United Way of Central New Mexico’s Hispano Philanthropic Society will host a Legislative Breakfast on Tuesday, May 23, 2017. The event is designed to inform the group’s members and invited guests about breaking topics that impact education and family stability in the region.

In addition to learning about state level policy around tax reform, education funding and public/private partnership opportunities, attendees will engage with lawmakers in a non-partisan environment.

The panelists are:
Michael Padilla, NM Senate, District 14 (D)
Sarah Maestas Barnes, NM House of Representatives, District 15 (R)
Meriah Heredia-Griego, Director, Center for Education Policy Research at the University of New Mexico

The panel will be moderated by:
Synthia Jaramillo, COO, Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce

“The Hispano Philanthropic Society understands the value of being educated around policies affecting our state,” said Ed Rivera, UWCNM President and CEO. “Hearing from elected representatives deepens the group’s ability to engage others in their goal to build stronger communities.”

The Hispano Philanthropic Society is one of UWCNM’s several Affinity Groups, which foster donor engagement with the community.

United Way of Central New Mexico, founded in 1934, serves a four-county region. UWCNM’s mission is to bring people and resources together to measurably improve lives and strengthen our communities. To learn more about United Way of Central New Mexico, visit [www.uwcnm.org](http://www.uwcnm.org) or call 505-247-3671.

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