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Gallup MainStreet Closes Large Funding Gap for Important Downtown Revitalization Project

Gallup, NM — Gallup MainStreet Arts & Cultural District is pleased to announce it has received an award of \$800,000.00 from New Mexico MainStreet to be utilized by the City of Gallup in Capital Outlay funding for the [Coal Avenue Commons](#) project.

Gallup MainStreet applied on behalf of the community to help launch Phase 1 of the construction project, and upon review, was selected to receive the full amount requested. The funds are distributed by New Mexico MainStreet, in partnership with the New Mexico Economic Development Department, to qualifying MainStreet communities through a call for proposals.

“We are honored to be partnering on this project and able to contribute to the success of improving quality of life, infrastructure, and positive economic impact in our downtown district,” said Gallup MainStreet Executive Director Kara Q. Smith.

Coal Avenue Commons is an infrastructure initiative to transform two blocks of Coal Avenue in Gallup, NM, into a vibrant plaza street. Phase 1 comprises the project design beginning at the intersection of Third and Coal Avenue and continuing to the first half of the intersection at Second and Coal Avenue. Phase 1 also includes the walkway that connects our Courthouse Square to Coal Avenue.

The next step is for the City of Gallup to adopt a resolution of support and identify any remaining funding needed in order to start construction of Phase 1 in early 2020.

Gallup MainStreet will be serving the community by assisting businesses and property owners with construction mitigation when the project launches. We are committed to socially and economically activating downtown Gallup by fostering community efforts and partnerships concentrating on organization, promotion, design, economic vitality, and creative enterprise for everyone. For more information on Gallup MainStreet and our projects visit:

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