



# NEW MEXICO BUSINESS COALITION

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## REPUBLICAN PARTY – GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

### GREGG HULL

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

I'll make police pay competitive and expand grants to help hire new officers. I'll strengthen behavioral health services so trained civilian teams can handle mental health calls.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

New Mexico needs better enforcement of existing laws targeted at repeat offenders. I support responsible ownership through education and tax credits for gun safes.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

New Mexico must cooperate with all law enforcement agencies. Sanctuary city policies shield dangerous offenders and undermine the rule of law.

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### DUKE RODRIGUEZ

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

Demand that persons convicted serve their entire sentence. Deploy NM State Police to under-resourced cities and refer complex crimes to the U.S. attorney for federal prosecution.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

New Mexico does not need more restrictions on responsible ownership. It needs harsher penalties for criminals who use guns to harm others.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

Cooperate with ICE detainer requests on criminal defendants and those with active warrants. Do not interfere with targeted ICE activities toward those without criminal involvement.

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## **DOUG TURNER**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

Fix cashless bail rules and return authority to judges to keep habitual offenders detained. Policies should emphasize tougher enforcement and lengthening sentences for violent crimes.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

The Second Amendment is a constitutional right. I will oppose further attempts to restrict those rights for law-abiding citizens in New Mexico.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

I believe in strong enforcement. The priority should be fighting cartels, removing violent criminals, and ending incentives for illegal entry.

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# **DEMOCRAT PARTY – GOVERNOR CANDIDATES**

## **SAM BREGMAN**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

We need a balanced approach: more law enforcement resources, stronger prosecution of violent offenders, and real accountability. We must address root causes by investing in mental health treatment and addiction services.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

We should enforce the laws we already have and focus on keeping guns out of the hands of violent criminals. I support targeted, commonsense measures that protect public safety without infringing on responsible gun ownership.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

Public safety requires trust. Local agencies should focus on keeping neighborhoods safe, not acting as federal immigration agents. ICE agents who violate the Fourth Amendment should be held accountable.

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## **DEB HAALAND**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

New Mexicans deserve to feel safe. I will make sure law enforcement has the tools and staff needed to address violent crime and drug trafficking, while addressing the root causes of crime.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

We must pass the Stop Illegal Gun Trade Act to provide oversight on restricted weapons. We have a responsibility to keep guns out of the hands of minors.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

I will work with the Legislature to ban ICE agents from wearing masks on the job and restrict ICE from operating within 500 yards of schools, courthouses, or churches.

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# **REPUBLICAN PARTY – LT. GOVERNOR CANDIDATES**

## **DAVID GALLEGOS**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

Back our police, strengthen penalties for repeat offenders, and fix a broken pretrial detention system. We need accountability for prosecutors who refuse to pursue cases.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

Focus on criminals who misuse firearms, not on restricting constitutional rights. Disarming law-abiding citizens does nothing to stop violent crime.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

We should cooperate with federal law enforcement, not obstruct it. Policies that limit cooperation make our communities less safe.

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## **MANNY LARDIZABAL**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

Increase policing and hold criminals accountable. Hire more officers to improve clearance rates and support community organizations for rehabilitation.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

Protect Second Amendment rights. Repeal restrictive laws like universal background checks and support constitutional carry.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

Fully cooperate with ICE to enforce federal law. End sanctuary policies and ensure local law enforcement honors ICE detainers.

## **DEMOCRAT PARTY – LT. GOVERNOR CANDIDATES**

### **HAROLD POPE**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

Take a data-driven approach by investing in mentorship and behavioral health. I support community-based policing and ensuring accountability.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

I support common-sense gun safety including limits on high-capacity magazines. We must ban online ammunition sales to minors.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

Local resources should not be used for federal immigration enforcement that tears families apart. Our agencies should not cooperate with ICE.

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### **MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER**

**Q: What should New Mexico do to address one of the highest crime rates in the nation?**

Invest in behavioral health, youth career programs, and poverty reduction. We need programs like Albuquerque Community Safety to address root causes.

**Q: What changes do you think the state needs to make on gun regulations?**

I supported oversight of gun dealers and high-capacity magazine restrictions. Sensible regulations can be enacted without violating rights.

**Q: How do you think the state should address Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities?**

New Mexico must protect our communities. I advocated for banning armed federal agents from New Mexico polling sites.