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Anchorum Health Foundation Named 2024 Philanthropist of the Year

Albuquerque, NM — Anchorum Health Foundation was named the 2024 Garrett Thornburg Philanthropist of the Year at the annual Philanthropy Summit hosted by *Albuquerque Business First*. With more than 200 people in attendance, Anchorum’s President & CEO Jerry Jones accepted this prestigious award from Allan Oliver, Executive Director of the Thornburg Foundation, at the Sandia Casino and Resort in Albuquerque.

“It is an honor to receive this award as we launch Anchorum Health Foundation to focus on building healthy communities in northern New Mexico,” said Jones. “Working closely with valued partners like the Thornburg Foundation, we look forward to advancing our mission by improving health outcomes through prevention, access, and opportunities.”

This award celebrates the outstanding achievements of an individual or foundation whose exceptional contributions have significantly impacted New Mexico. Anchorum Health Foundation is dedicated to driving systemic change that will address the social determinants that affect the health of New Mexico’s people and communities. With a commitment to transformative initiatives, they plan to devote their growing resources over the next decade to enhance both individual and community health outcomes.

“If you don’t know about the Anchorum Health Foundation, you should,” said Oliver. “Over the next 10 years Anchorum will grow its assets by half a billion dollars and is on track to give out \$200 million over the next 10 years. Anchorum just raised the bar and issued a challenge to every foundation, every philanthropist, and every donor in the state. They said, ‘It’s time to invest big in New Mexico’s nonprofit sector.’”

As the Philanthropist of the Year recipient, Anchorum proudly granted three of the top six organizations who were recognized as Nonprofits of the Year with a \$5,000 general operating grant. These recipients included:

1. The [Changing Woman Initiative](#) seeks to renew cultural birth knowledge to empower and reclaim indigenous sovereignty of women’s medicine through women’s stories and traditions.



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2. The [New Mexico Veterans Integration Centers](#) are committed to helping veterans and their families find stable housing, financial security, and a renewed sense of community.
3. [Mandy's Farm](#) supports individuals with developmental disabilities in achieving their goals for living, learning, and working in the community.

Jerry Jones (President & CEO of Anchorum Health Foundation) receives the Garrett Thornburg Philanthropist of the Year award and a congratulatory handshake from Allan Oliver (Executive Director of Thornburg Foundation) at Sandia Resort & Casino on March 21, 2024. (Photo *Albuquerque Business First*) More photos available request.



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Anchorum Health Foundation is New Mexico's largest foundation. Created in 2023, our mission is to improve the conditions that affect the health and wellness of northern New Mexico's people and communities. In our first ten years, we are investing our growing resources into strengthening the capacity of our community partners and improving the interconnected systems that affect individual and community health outcomes. For more information, visit anchorum.org.

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