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## **Anchorum Health Foundation Announces \$250,000 Grant to Taos Housing Partnership to Boost Affordable Housing Efforts**

**Santa Fe, NM** — Anchorum Health Foundation is proud to announce a \$250,000 grant to the Taos Housing Partnership, a nonprofit dedicated to increasing the availability of affordable, innovative, and sustainable housing in Taos County. The grant is the first in Anchorum’s partnership with the Taos Community Foundation, as part of Anchorum’s broader \$25 million five-year commitment to strengthen the capacity of community foundations across northern New Mexico.

“Taos Housing Partnership is thrilled to have this level of involvement from our community partners,” said Lisa O’Brien, Executive Director of Taos Housing Partnership. “This generous support is a testament to the dedication of local leaders, elected officials, and community residents who have come together to explore solutions to our housing challenges. It empowers us to take significant steps toward addressing the housing crisis in our region.”

Taos Housing Partnership, which obtained its nonprofit 501(c)3 status earlier this year, was established following an initial seed phase where nonprofit organizations, local leaders, and community focus groups identified the critical need for an organization solely focused on developing below-market housing throughout Taos County. Now, with this foundational support, Taos Housing Partnership is well-positioned to expand its staff and roll out programs aimed at increasing affordable housing options.

“Anchorum has been a dedicated partner throughout this journey, from the initial concept stage to implementing the innovative strategies and solutions that Taos Housing Partnership is now poised to deliver,” said Jenny Parks, Senior Vice President of Strategic Philanthropy at Anchorum Health Foundation. “This grant reflects our shared commitment to fostering community-driven initiatives that address pressing needs like housing affordability and accessibility.”

Earlier this year, Anchorum committed to investing \$25 million over five years into five community foundations in northern New Mexico. This \$250,000 grant is the first to be awarded from the fund managed by the Taos Community Foundation.

“We are so excited about this grant to Taos Housing Partnership, and also for future grants that will strengthen the capacity of nonprofits county-wide,” said CJ Grace, CEO of Taos Community Foundation. “This grant and others that will follow from Anchorum’s multi-year investment are



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prime examples of how strategic partnerships can support local organizations in scaling their impact, addressing critical community needs, and building a more resilient nonprofit sector in our region.”

Affordable housing in Taos County has been a longstanding priority of Taos Community Foundation. By continuing to partner with Taos Housing Partnership, Taos Community Foundation can further support efforts to increase access to affordable housing. Taos Housing Partnership plans to offer homebuyer education classes, establish a downpayment assistance program, and assist with activating publicly owned sites.

***Taos Housing Partnership** is a nonprofit organization committed to taking meaningful action to develop housing in and around Taos. Its board is comprised of community leaders from public and private sectors who are dedicated to solving Taos’ housing challenges. Its mission is to create equitable housing opportunities for our community while preserving our culture, promoting financial literacy, and protecting our environment.*

***Taos Community Foundation** is dedicated to serving the unique needs of the communities of Taos and western Colfax counties. Our philanthropic efforts support and enrich the lives and opportunities of citizens and protect the environment which sustains us. Our initiatives amplify donor investments which directly and powerfully support growth in our community. Whatever your philanthropic goals are, we are here to support you.*

***Anchorum Health Foundation** is dedicated to improving the conditions that have the greatest influence on the health of communities in our region. We are committing our resources to strengthening community-based partners tackling critical local issues. For more information, visit [anchorum.org](http://anchorum.org).*

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