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DPNM Announces Pre-Primary Convention Results

Albuquerque- Today, the Democratic Party of New Mexico announced voting results of the 2026 Pre-Primary Convention. The convention was held Saturday, March 7th, at the Inn of the Mountain Gods at Mescalero Apache Nation.

Voting was conducted by electronic ballot upon adjournment of the Convention, from Saturday afternoon to Sunday at 9:00pm. There were 1064 delegates able to vote for statewide candidates in this convention election, including roughly 500 State Central Committee (SCC) members who are automatic delegates. The non-SCC delegates were elected at the county level in January and February.

Candidates who did not receive at least 20% of the vote are still able to qualify for the Democratic primary ballot by submitting additional petition signatures. In addition to ballot qualification, the Pre-Primary Convention vote also determines ballot placement.

DPNM Chair Sara Attleson released the following statement about the 2026 DPNM Pre-Primary Convention:

"At our Pre-Primary Convention, hundreds of Democrats made it clear - we're committed to working together as a Party for a bright future where all New Mexican can thrive. New Mexico Democrats are blessed to have so many capable candidates and elected officials who put New

Mexicans first, and so many motivated supporters willing to roll up their sleeves to get them elected.

"As Republicans continue to let the country down with an absence of morals and inexcusable ineptitude, Democrats are heading into the upcoming elections ready to confront MAGA failures head on, with our plans to make day-to-day life more affordable, expand access to healthcare, and create a more equitable future for generations to come. Thank you to the candidates, the Inn of the Mountain Gods, the Mescalero Apache Nation, and everyone who participated in-person and virtually.

"By all accounts, our Convention was energetic and successful, and we invite every new Mexican to join us as we continue building our movement to hold the GOP accountable."

Results of the 2026 DPNM Pre-Primary Convention

**Indicates ballot qualification by way of pre-primary convention delegate vote*

US Senate

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Ben Ray Luján*	866	85.91%
Matt Dodson	142	14.09%

Congressional District 1 US Representative

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Melanie Stansbury*	415	100%

Congressional District 2 US Representative

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Gabe Vasquez*	255	100%

Congressional District 3 US Representative

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Teresa Leger Fernandez*	320	100%

Governor

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Sam Bregman*	264	26.48%
Deb Haaland*	733	73.52%

Lieutenant Governor

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Maggie Toulouse Oliver*	586	58.37%
Harold Pope Jr.*	418	41.63%

NM Attorney General

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Raúl Torrez*	1000	100%

NM Secretary of State

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Sonya Smith	179	17.97%
Amanda López Askin*	357	35.84%
Katharine Clark*	460	46.18%

NM State Treasurer

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Laura M. Montoya*	968	100%

NM State Auditor

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Joseph Maestas*	990	100%

NM Commissioner of Public Lands

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Jonas Moya	71	7.18%
Juan De Jesus Sanchez*	552	55.81%
Matthew McQueen*	366	37.01%

NM Court of Appeals Judge

Candidate Name	Votes	Percent
Kris Houghton*	985	100%

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