

NEW MEXICO LEGAL AID

STAFFING								
ANTICIPATED 2012 NET STAFF REDUCTIONS								
Attorneys		Paralegals		Other		Loss of Staff from 12/31/11 to 12/31/12		% Loss from 12/31/10 to 12/31/12
4	12.5%	1	6.7%	0	0.0%	5	7.8%	25.0%

FUNDING		
2012 LSC BF Funding	Projected 2012 Non-LSC Funding	Projected 2012 Total Funding (BF & non-LSC)
\$3,099,049	\$2,039,701	\$5,138,750

Change in LSC Funding (2011 to 2012)	Projected Change in Non-LSC Funding (2011 to 2012)	Projected Change in Total Funding (2011 to 2012)
(\$533,520)	(\$179,640)	(\$713,160)

Projected 2012 Defecit	Will Use Financial Reserves?	Projected Office Closures in 2012
\$495,954	Yes	0

CHANGES IN CLIENT SERVICES
Serve fewer clients; Accept fewer cases; Restrict types of cases accepted; Substitute pro bono assistance for program representation.

COMMENTS
The budget deficit projected for 2012 will bring our reserve fund down to a level too low to be useable in 2013. Last fall's federal LSC cuts, combined with a reduction in state funding due to decreased filing fee revenues, have severely stressed our revenue. If we are unable to find additional revenue for the remainder of 2012 and for 2013, we will have to implement significant cost reductions in 2013. We are currently holding four attorney positions unfilled due to revenue reductions. We may have to lose an additional paralegal if new funds are not identified soon. We have been experiencing multi-year significant cuts in both state and federal funding. We have used reserve spending and strategic staff reductions to maintain service delivery capacity as much as possible, but are now at a point where we can no longer sustain current services without significant additional revenue. Our current financial analysis shows we would need as much as \$1.9 million in additional annual funding to meet current demand statewide for the remainder of 2012 and 2013. Our most optimistic current projections show that no more than \$500,000 in additional funding is likely to be available during that time frame. This shortfall will lead to significant retrenchment in available services.