

LEAD Gallup

Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion

ABOUT US

Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) is a pre-arrest diversion program, rooted in harm reduction, in which police officers divert individuals to intensive case management in lieu of arrest for low level nonviolent crimes driven by substance use disorder and other unmet behavioral health needs.

BACKGROUND

LEAD was developed in Seattle, WA in 2011. As a new harm reduction-oriented process for responding to low level offenses. Resulting in a collaboration between police, prosecutors, public defenders, political leaders, mental health providers and other service agencies. Santa Fe was the second city in the U.S to adopt the LEAD model.



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COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- City of Gallup Behavioral Health
- City of Gallup Police Department
- Gallup Indian Medical Center
- Gallup Municipal Court
- Gallup City Council
- Gallup Fire Department
- Na’Nizhoozhi Center
- Partners of Justice
- RISE Program
- SBS Consulting

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Goals

- **REORIENT** governments response to safety, disorder, & health related problems.
- **IMPROVE** public safety & public health through research-based, health-oriented & harm reduction interventions.
- **REDUCE** the number of people entering the criminal justice system for low-level offenses related to drug use, mental health, sex work & extreme poverty.
- **UNDO** racial disparities at the front-end of the criminal justice system
- **SUSTAIN** funding or alternative interventions by capturing & reinvesting criminal justice system savings.
- **STRENGTHEN** the relationship between law enforcement & the community.

LEAD National Support Bureau

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