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Images show IPEC exterior and commercial kitchen equipment.

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## INDIAN PUEBLO ENTREPRENEUR COMPLEX TO HOST GRAND OPENING AND RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY FOR THE COMMERCIAL KITCHEN

Albuquerque, NM, July 15, 2024 — The Indian Pueblo Cultural Center (IPCC) is pleased to announce the grand opening of the Indian Pueblo Entrepreneur Complex (IPEC) on Aug. 23 at 9 a.m. on the IPCC campus.

IPEC's Commercial Kitchen will focus on supporting those in New Mexico's food and agriculture industries. The kitchen provides a 7,500 square foot workspace featuring cold storage and transportation, a test kitchen, high volume fresh produce processing and production areas, and general business services for both Native and local entrepreneurs.

"I'm very proud that the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center is opening the Entrepreneur Complex," said IPCC President and CEO Michael Canfield. "This complex will support — through facilities and services - the vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem that exists locally, especially amongst our Pueblo people. I'm deeply grateful for the financial support from federal and state departments as well as the many corporations, foundations, and individuals who believed in this vision. We have built a cultural and business corridor on this campus, and we're anxious to extend these opportunities to the next generation of entrepreneurs and small business owners. This is the place to be."

Acoma

Cochiti

Isleta

Jemez

Laguna Nambé

Ohkay Owingeh

**Picuris** 

Pojoaque

Sandia

San Felipe

San Ildefonso

Santa Ana

Santa Clara

Santo Domingo

Santo Domingo

Taos

Tesuque

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Zuni

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IPEC will help to further IPCC's mission of providing economic opportunities to Pueblo and local communities by supplying a space and resources for entrepreneurs to grow their businesses while also building a supportive entrepreneurial community. Additionally, IPEC will focus on aligning business practices with core Pueblo values, including sustainability and interconnectedness. To learn more, please visit: <a href="https://indianpuebloec.org/">https://indianpuebloec.org/</a>.

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## **About the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center:**

Founded in 1976 by the 19 Pueblo tribes of New Mexico, the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center is a world-class museum and cultural center located in the historic 19 Pueblos District. The Mission of the IPCC Campus is to serve as a gathering place where Pueblo culture is celebrated through creative and cultural experiences while providing economic opportunities to Pueblo and local communities. Visitors can learn fascinating history, shop for Native jewelry and art, watch a cultural dance, hear Native languages and experience the flavors of traditional and contemporary Native cuisine. To learn more, please visit: <a href="https://www.indianpueblo.org">www.indianpueblo.org</a> and <a href="https://www.facebook.com/IndianPueblo">www.facebook.com/IndianPueblo</a>.

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