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Open-air Stewardship Affair

The Future Fund held its last micro-grant event of the year at HB Construction. They awarded a $2,000 grant to New Mexico Immigrant Law Center. Thank you to Enterprise Bank & Trust and Mead & Shaw for your continued support and sponsorship of the micro-grants! We want to learn more about the Future Fund! Contact Chanel Wiese, chanel@abqcf.org.

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