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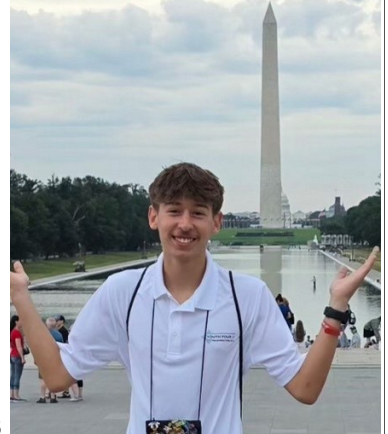
Jamison Martinez Represents NORA on Youth Tour

The 2026 New Mexico Government in Action Youth Tour welcomed 48 students from 15 rural electric cooperatives across the state for an all-expense paid weeklong adventure in Washington D.C. Representing NORA Electric Cooperative was Escalante High School Senior, Jamison Martinez. To qualify for the trip, Jamison submitted his application along with an essay comparing the differences between rural electric cooperatives and investor-owned utilities.

Jamison was inspired to become a Youth Tour delegate after his own plans to visit Washington D.C. as an eighth grader with the Close Up program were cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. "This was a perfect opportunity for me to get the chance to visit D.C." he noted.

NORA also provided two local chaperones to assist with guidance and oversight for New Mexico's delegates; NORA's recently retired Controller Marla Ulibarri & NORA's Board of Trustees Vice Chairman Debbie Manzanares.

On the morning of Monday, June 15th, Jamison and the other NM delegates gathered for breakfast to become acquainted before departing Albuquerque. Upon arriving in our nation's capital, the group hit the ground running as they embarked on an intensely structured agenda including tours of the National Mall, Capitol Hill, Historic Virginia, various monuments and museums, in addition to assorted conferences featuring many keynote and inspirational speakers.



Jamison Martinez



During the week, New Mexico's delegates toured together as a group. However, there were plenty of opportunities for them to meet with other students from rural cooperatives from nearly every other state. "My favorite part of the Youth Tour was making new friends and creating many cherished memories," remarked Jamison. One of the networking activities he enjoyed was the chance to exchange pins with other youth tour delegates from various states. He added that Mrs. Debbie Manzanares was a big help in haggling for rare pins from other states. Other highlights of the trip that Jamison enjoyed was their tour of

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the U.S. Capitol Building and the opportunity to meet with Senator Ben Ray Lujan.

Jamison is very grateful for being selected as NORA's Youth Tour delegate. "I was fortunate enough to have three of the NORA Cooperative chaperones: Mrs. Debbie Manzaneras, Ms. Marla Ulibarri, and Mr. Bill Wylie. They created many memories, not just for me, but for all the delegates. They were the best and most relaxed chaperones we could have asked for. I want to express my deepest gratitude to everyone for this incredible opportunity."

NORA Electric Cooperative would like to encourage more students to apply for the Youth Tour in the future. From a student's firsthand perspective, Jamison has the following advice to potential applicants; "I highly recommend applying to attend the Youth Tour. It was an incredibly fun experience, and there are numerous opportunities to learn and grow from this trip. I've made many new friends who I still keep in touch with, and we had an amazing time together." From a chaperone's perspective, who has also attended the Close Up program as a chaperone multiple times, Marla Ulibarri cited how well planned and organized the event was. She particularly commended the efforts of NMRECA coordinator Talia Storch.



Jamison Martinez is the son of Margaret and Mike Martinez. He is entering his senior year at Escalante High School where he competes in basketball, football, and track. He is also a member of the National Honor Society and will be serving as Student Council President this year.



Jamison Martinez & NORA Board Vice Chairman Debbie Manzaneras

**Attend NORA's 75th
Annual Meeting September 28th
at the Down Home Lodge**

11:00am Registration
12:00pm Lunch
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**Registration Closes Soon for the 26th
Annual Chama Valley Golf Tournament**

NORA is now accepting registration forms to compete in the 26th Annual Chama Valley Open Golf Tournament at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club on August 22nd. Forms may be picked up at the NORA office, or they can be mailed or emailed upon request. The registration fee for a team of four is \$500.00 or \$125.00 per player. Each golfer will enjoy a full eighteen holes of golf, use of a golf cart, player goodie bag, door prizes, and lunch. Deadline for registration is Monday, August 3, 2026, by the end of the business day – **no exceptions**.

NORA is also looking for tournament sponsors to help bear the cost of operational and promotional expenses. For \$150.00, an individual poster will be created for your business which will be placed on display at the tee box to be viewed by all players, coordinators, and those attending.



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Bill Due Date	24-Aug
Usage From	30-Jun
Usage To	31-Jul
SEDC Pickup @11:59pm	1-Aug
Bill Sent	1-Aug
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Contact/Follow Up	2-Sep
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