

Threats against N.M. election workers will be investigated

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New Mexico election workers will have the support of the FBI and the U.S. Attorney's Office if they become the target of threats.

In an announcement Oct. 21, FBI Special Agent in Charge Raul Bujanda of the Albuquerque FBI Division said the bureau wants to make it clear that threats against any federal, state or local election workers trying to do their jobs will not be tolerated.

"Protecting our democratic process is vital to our nation's security," he announced.

The Department of Justice declared the creation of a law enforcement task force in July that would address the rise in threats against election workers, administrators, officials and others associated with the election process.

As a task force member, the FBI will investigate all allegations of threats or acts of intimidation against election workers.

To report suspected threats or violent acts, the public can contact the FBI at 1 (800) CALL-FBI; 1 (800) 225-5324. Complaints can also be filed online at tips.fbi.gov.

The FBI elections crimes and security website: <https://www.fbi.gov/scams-and-safety/common-scams-and-crimes/election-crimes-and-security>

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