



U.S. Department of Agriculture
COMMUNITY CONNECT GRANTS

Application Deadline: February 20, 2024, 11:59am ET

Who's eligible?

- Incorporated organizations
- Federally-recognized Tribes
- State and local units of government
- Any other legal entity, including cooperatives, private corporations, or limited liability companies organized on a for-profit or not-for-profit basis

How may the funds be used?

- The construction, acquisition, or leasing of facilities, spectrum, land or buildings used to deploy broadband service for:
 - All residential and business customers located within the Proposed Funded Service Area (PFSA)
 - All participating critical community facilities (such as public schools, fire stations, and public libraries)
- The cost of providing broadband service free of charge to the critical community facilities for 2 years.
- Less than 10% of the grant amount or up to \$150,000 may be used for the improvement, expansion, construction or acquisition of a community center that provides online access to the public.

Cost Share/Matching Requirement: 15% Non-Federal Source

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U.S. Department of Homeland Security
ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT

Application Deadline: March 8, 2024, 5:00pm ET

The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations. **Please go to above link for detailed program information.**

Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

Eligible Applicants:

- Fire Departments
- Non-Affiliated EMS Organizations
- State Fire Training Academies
- Non-federal Airport and/or Port Authority Fire or EMS Organizations

TRIBAL BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

(TBCP)

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See Section A of this **Notice Of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)** for the full description of this program.

Grants.gov Deadline: March 22, 2024, 11:59 pm Eastern Time (ET)

Eligible Applicants:

- a Tribal Government;
- a Tribal College or University;
- the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community, including Native Hawaiian Education Programs;
- a Tribal organization; or
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Anticipated Amount to be Awarded Under This NOFO: \$980,000,000

Award Ranges

NTIA expects to make awards under this program within the following funding ranges:

- **Broadband Infrastructure Deployment Projects proposed by a single applicant: \$1,000,000 to \$50,000,000**
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Period of Performance Duration: Up to 48 Months from the receipt of grant funds

Eligible Uses for the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program

- (A) broadband infrastructure deployment, including support for the establishment of carrier-neutral submarine cable landing stations;
- (B) affordable broadband programs, including— (i) providing free or reduced-cost broadband service; and (ii) preventing disconnection of existing broadband service;
- (C) distance learning;
- (D) telehealth;
- (E) digital inclusion efforts (which may include digital equity planning and workforce development activities); and
- (F) broadband adoption activities.

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ALERT!!!

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 U.S. Department of Treasury CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (SLFRF)

REMINDER...

December 31, 2024 is the **deadline to obligate SLFRF funds** as allocated through the
U.S. Department of Treasury.

(Please refer to the **Obligation Interim Final Rule** for exceptions and additional
information)

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 is latest relief package for COVID-19 which provides \$1.9 trillion in mandatory funding, program changes, and tax policies aimed at mitigating the continuing effects of the pandemic. The U.S. Department of Treasury has published the Interim Final Rule (Guidance) and State and Local Aid Allocations. The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 is latest relief package for COVID-19 which provides \$1.9 trillion in mandatory funding, program changes, and tax policies aimed at mitigating the continuing effects of the pandemic. The U.S. Department of Treasury has published the Interim Final Rule (Guidance) and State and Local Aid Allocations.

Period of Performance

The State, Local, and Tribal Aid Funds being administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury provides the following important dates:

All funds **must be obligated by:**
December 31, 2024

All funds **must be expended by:**
December 31, 2026

The ***Revenue Loss*** calculation explanation and formula, as well as the explanation of ***“Government Services”*** can be found on **pages 4400-4408** of the **Final Rule**.

Please visit the website for the latest information on the 2023 Interim Final Rule!!!

State allocations can be accessed at:

<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/fiscalrecoveryfunds-statefunding1-508A.pdf>

County allocations can be accessed at:

https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/fiscalrecoveryfunds_countyfunding_2021.05.10-1a-508A.pdf

Metropolitan City allocations can be accessed at:

<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/fiscalrecoveryfunds-metrocitiesfunding1-508A.pdf>

Non-Entitled Units of Government allocations can be accessed at:

<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/fiscalrecoveryfunds-nonentitlementfunding1-508A.pdf>

Tribal Government Allocation Methodology can be accessed at:

<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/Tribal-Government-Allocation-Methodology.pdf>

Anticipated Grants

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE GRANTS

Anticipated to open for application in February, 2024

- ▶ ReConnect Loan and Grant Program

Anticipated to open for application in February, 2024

- ▶ Digital Learning & Telemedicine

Anticipated to open for application again in January, 2025

- ▶ Community Connect

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANTS

Anticipated to open for application in July, 2024

- ▶ Edward Byrne Memorial, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – Local Solicitation
- ▶ Edward Byrne Memorial, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) – State Solicitation

Anticipated to open for application in March, 2024

- ▶ Smart Policing Initiative

Anticipated to open for application in March, 2024

- ▶ Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies
- ▶ Body-Worn Camera Funding for Small, Rural, and Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies
- ▶ COPS School Violence Prevention Program
- ▶ STOP School Violence Program

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Anticipated to open for application again in January, 2025

- ▶ Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

Anticipated to open for application in February, 2024

- ▶ Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER)
- ▶ Fire Prevention & Safety (FP&S)

Anticipated to open for application in March, 2024

- ▶ Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
- ▶ State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)
- ▶ Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)
- ▶ Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP)