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Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Document Type: Grants Notice

Funding Opportunity Number: NTIA-CMCPP-2021

Funding Opportunity Title: Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program

Opportunity Category: Discretionary

Opportunity Category Explanation:

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Category of Funding Activity: Science and Technology and other Research and Development

Category Explanation:

Expected Number of Awards:

CFDA Number(s): 11.028 -- Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program

Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: No

Version: Synopsis 2

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Original Closing Date for Applications: Dec 01, 2021

Current Closing Date for Applications: Dec 01, 2021

Archive Date: Dec 31, 2021

Estimated Total Program Funding:

Award Ceiling:

Award Floor:

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Applicants: Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

Additional Information on Eligibility: The Act defines an eligible recipient as: (1) a historically Black college or university (HBCU); (2) a Tribal College or University (TCU); (3) a Minority-serving institution (MSI); or (4) a consortium that is led by a historically Black college or university, a Tribal College or University, or a Minority-serving institution and that also includes: (a) an MBE; or (b) an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code. Additionally, an eligible recipient must be in an "anchor community," defined in part as having an estimated median annual household income of not more than two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the poverty line. A consortium is eligible for a grant under the Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program if it is led by an eligible institution as defined above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Agency Name:

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Description:

NTIA issues this NOFO to describe the requirements under which it will award grants for the Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Pilot Program, authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Division N, Title IX, Section 902, Public Law 116-260, 134 Stat. 1182 (Dec. 27, 2020) ("the Act"). The Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program provides new federal funding for the Assistant Secretary to make grants for the expansion of broadband internet access, connectivity, and digital inclusion. The Act authorizes new federal funding for the Assistant Secretary to make grants to eligible recipients in anchor communities: for the purchase of broadband internet access service or any eligible equipment, or to hire and train information technology personnel; to facilitate educational instruction and learning, including through remote instruction; to operate a minority business enterprise (MBE); or to operate a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. The Act also authorizes grants to a consortium, led by an eligible recipient institution (i.e., educational institution), that includes an MBE or a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. See Section I of this NOFO for the full Program Description.

Link to Additional Information: See Related Documents**Grantor Contact Information:** If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically, please contact:

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