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Community Connect Grant Program

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General Information



Document Type:	Grants Notice	Version:	Synopsis 2
Funding Opportunity Number:	RDRUS-CC-2025	Posted Date:	Jan 13, 2025
Funding Opportunity Title:	Community Connect Grant Program	Last Updated Date:	Jan 13, 2025
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary	Original Closing Date for Applications:	Apr 21, 2025
Opportunity Category Explanation:		Current Closing Date for Applications:	Apr 21, 2025
Funding Instrument Type:	Grant	Archive Date:	May 21, 2025
Category of Funding Activity:	Business and Commerce Community	Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$ 26,000,000
		Award Ceiling:	\$5,000,000
		Award Floor:	\$100,000

Development
Regional
Development

Category
Explanation:

Expected 10
Number of
Awards:

Assistance 10.863 --

Listings: Community
Connect Grant
Program

Cost Sharing or Yes
Matching
Requirement:

Eligibility

Eligible Applicants: Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Special district governments
State governments
Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
County governments
City or township governments
For profit organizations other than small businesses
Small businesses
Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Additional Information

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Eligibility:

Additional Information

Agency Name: Rural Utilities Service

Description: The Community Connect Grant Program provides financial assistance to eligible applicants that will provide service at or above the Broadband Grant Speed (100 Mbps down and 20 Mbps up) to all premises in rural, economically-challenged communities where broadband service (10 Mbps down and 1 Mbps up) does not exist. The deployment of broadband services on a “community-oriented connectivity” basis stimulates economic development and provides enhanced educational and health care opportunities in rural areas. RUS will give priority to rural areas that demonstrate the greatest need for broadband services, based on the criteria contained in the regulation and Application Guide.

The regulation for the Community Connect Grant Program can be found at 7 CFR part 1739.

All applicants should carefully review and prepare their applications according to instructions in the FY 2025 Community Connect Grant Program Application Guide (Application Guide) and program resources. This Application Guide can be found at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/community-connect>. Expenses incurred in developing applications will be at the applicant’s own risk. Applications will be submitted through the online application system available on the program web site. The application system will open for accepting Community Connect applications on February 20, 2025. Applications must

submitted by no later than 11:59 a.m. Eastern Time, April 21, 2025. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

**Link to
Additional
Information:**

[USDA Community Connect Program Website](#)

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