

Broadband Funding Guide

Department: Department of Education

1	Federal Agency/Bureau	Department of Education		
2	Agency Overview	The U.S. Department of Education's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access.		
3	Program Name	Title III, Part B: Strengthening Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program		
4	Program Website	https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iduestitle3b/index.html		
5	Program Overview	This program provides financial assistance to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to establish or strengthen their physical plants, financial management, academic resources, and endowment-building capacity.		
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8	Agency Contact	Office of Postsecondary Education Lyndon Baines Johnson (LBJ) Building 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. Washington, DC 20202 (202) 453-6914		

9	Funding Type	Grant
10	FY2018 Funding Amount	\$279,624,000
11	FY2019 Funding Amount	\$282,420,000
12	FY2020 Funding Amount	\$324,792,000
13	Additional Information	<p>This is one of a number of Department programs that provides funds that could be used to support broadband access. The allowability of costs is always situation and program specific. For that reason, if you decide to use funds under one of these programs for costs related to broadband access, you must be sure that the use of the funds is, under the specific circumstances of the expenditure and the program authority selected, reasonable and necessary for the purposes of that program, and does not violate other program requirements, such as supplement not supplant, if it applies to program. We also note that, while funds under one of these programs can be used on broadband access, the programs' purpose is not primarily focused on that issue</p>