

FY21 BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Site Update

Department: Department of Education

1	Federal Agency/Bureau	Department of Education	
2	Program Name	Title III, Part B: Strengthening Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program	
3	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.	
4	CFDA	84.031B	
5	Program Website	https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iduestitle3b/index.html	
6	Type of funding	 ☑ Discretionary ☐ Subsidy ☐ Formula ☐ Loan or loan guarantee Other: Other 	
7	Link to application site, NOFO or Grants.gov (if different from program website above)		
8	NOFO Type	☐ Initial ☐ Modification ☐ Reissue/Renewal Other: Other	
9	Important Dates (if applicable)	This could include information about deadlines for different phases of the program (letter of intent, application due date, anticipated award announcements, etc.)	
10	FY2021 Appropriations Amount	Total Amount: \$ 337,619,000 Amount Available Towards Broadband (if specified): \$0.00	
11	Broadband-related Program Purpose/Eligible Expenditures (check all that apply)	 ☑ Planning (e.g., feasibility) ☑ Broadband Infrastructure Deployment (e.g., construction) ☑ Broadband Adoption/Digital ☑ Literacy/Tech Support ☑ Digital Skills Training (e.g., ☑ STEM/STEAM, Workforce Development) ☑ Devices/equipment (e.g., laptops, hotspots) ☑ Public Connectivity/Computer Access ☑ Research and/or Evaluation ☑ Data and/or Mapping ☑ Smart Communities/Cities/Regions ☑ Telehealth Other: Other 	





12	Eligible Recipients (check all that apply)	□ Libraries □ K-12 Schools □ Higher Education Institutions □ State Government □ Local Government □ Territorial Governments □ Tribal/Native American Government, Alaska Native Controlled Organizations □ Public Safety Entities □ Healthcare Facilities □ For-Profit Organizations (including Internet Service Providers) □ Non-Profit Organizations □ Electric Utilities/Co-ops □ Financial Institutions Other: Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Historically Black Graduate Institutions (HBGIs)
13	Publicly-available programmatic data	Not applicable
14	Contact information	Wendy Lawrence E-mail: Wendy.Lawrence@ed.gov Telephone: (202) 453-7821
15	Additional Information	This is one of a number of Department programs that provides funds to Title III B grantees that could be used to support broadband access. The allowability of costs is always situational and program specific. For that reason, if an institution decides to use funds under one of these programs for costs related to broadband access, they 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 designed primarily for this focus.

