FY23 BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Site Update

Department: Department of Agriculture

1	**Federal Agency/Bureau**	Rural Housing Service
2	**Program Name**	Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) Grant Program
3	**Authorizing Legislation**	Congress in 1999 (Pub. L. 106-78), amended by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Pub. L. 117-328).
4	**Program Overview**	RCDI grants are awarded to help non-profit housing and community development organizations, low-income rural communities and federally recognized tribes support housing, community facilities and community and economic development projects in rural areas.
5	**CFDA**	10.446
6	**Program Website**	https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities/rural-community-development-initiative-grants
7	**Type of funding**	☒ Discretionary ☒ Subsidy ☐ Formula ☐ Loan or loan guarantee ☐ Other (i.e. loan-grant combo; if there is a set-aside amount for certain recipients, please indicate the amount):
8	**Link to application site, NOFO, FOA, or Grants.gov (if different from program website above)**	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-02-08/pdf/2022-02624.pdf
9	**Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) or Federal Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Type**	☐ Initial ☐ Modification ☒ Reissue/Renewal ☐ Other (i.e. one-time funding):
10	**Important Dates (if applicable)**	Deadlines are posted on the program's website.
12	**FY2023 Appropriations Amount**	Total Amount:$6,000,000 Amount Available Towards Broadband (if specified):

13	Matching Requirement	☒ Yes If yes, what is the matching requirement: Equal to amount of the grant. ☐ No ☐ Other (i.e. if match is beneficial to an application but not required):
14	Complementary Federal Funding Option	Other Federal funds may be used as matching funds if authorized by statute and the purpose of the funds is an eligible RCDI purpose. Partnerships with other federal, state, local, private, and nonprofit entities are encouraged.
15	Broadband-related Program Purpose/Eligible Expenditures (check all that apply)	☒ Planning (e.g., feasibility, data collection, mapping) ☐ Broadband Infrastructure Deployment (e.g., construction, equipment, materials) ☐ Digital Inclusion (e.g. Broadband Adoption, Devices, Public Access, Digital Skills Training, Tech Support) ☐ Other: (e.g. Research and/or Evaluation, Telehealth, etc.):
16	Speed/Technical Requirement for Broadband Infrastructure	Not Applicable
17	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, and Native Hawaiian Organizations ☐ Public Safety Entities ☐ Healthcare Facilities ☒ For-Profit Organizations (including Internet Service Providers) ☒ Non-Profit Organizations ☐ Electric Utilities/Co-ops ☐ Financial Institutions ☐ Individuals/Households ☐ Other:
18	Criteria for Eligible Recipients	Must have been legally organized for a minimum of three years and have at least three years prior experience working with private nonprofit community-based housing and development organizations, low-income rural communities, or tribal organizations.
19	Grant Beneficiaries (if different from eligible recipients)	Rural communities having a population of 50,000 or less.
20	Programmatic Resources	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-02-08/pdf/2022-02624.pdf

21	Reporting Requirements	Not Applicable
22	Publicly-available programmatic data	Not Applicable – no publicly-available programmatic data specific to broadband
23	Contact information	For more information, contact your local Rural Development State Office: https://www.rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices
24	Additional Information	https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/fact-sheet/508_RD_FS_RHS_RuralCommunityDevInitiatives.pdf
25	Updated	March 2023