

FY23 BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Site Update

Department: Department of Agriculture

1	Federal Agency/Bureau	Rural Utilities Service
2	Program Name	ReConnect Program
3	Authorizing Legislation	Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Pub. L. 115, 141)
4	Program Overview	ReConnect offers grants, loan-grant combinations, and low-interest loans for broadband infrastructure to connect rural families, businesses, farms, ranches, schools, libraries, and public safety facilities to modern, high-speed internet. ReConnect funds can be used to construct, improve, and acquire facilities that provide internet services to customers' premises, with reliable technologies that are suitable for rural community high-speed internet use.
5	CFDA	10.752
6	Program Website	https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-infrastructure-loans-loan-guarantees
7	Type of funding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary <input type="checkbox"/> Subsidy <input type="checkbox"/> Formula <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loan or loan guarantee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e. loan-grant combo; if there is a set-aside amount for certain recipients, please indicate the amount): 50-50 Loan-Grant Combinations are offered
8	Link to application site, NOFO, FOA, or Grants.gov (if different from program website above)	Applications must be submitted electronically through the RUS on-line application portal located at https://www.usda.gov/reconnect . The FOA will be made available for informational purposes on Grants.gov.
9	Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) or Federal Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reissue/Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e. one-time funding):
10	Important Dates (if applicable)	Not Applicable
12	FY2023 Appropriations Amount	Total Amount: \$338,000,000 Amount Available Towards Broadband (if specified):

13	Matching Requirement	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, what is the matching requirement: <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e. if match is beneficial to an application but not required): Matching requirements are determined in each Funding Opportunity Announcement and may not be required for specific applicant types.																
14	Complementary Federal Funding Option	This program cannot be used as a match to other federal programs.																
15	Broadband-related Program Purpose/Eligible Expenditures (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning (e.g., feasibility, data collection, mapping) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Broadband Infrastructure Deployment (e.g., construction, equipment, materials) <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Inclusion (e.g. Broadband Adoption, Devices, Public Access, Digital Skills Training, Tech Support) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (e.g. Research and/or Evaluation, Telehealth, etc.):																
16	Speed/Technical Requirement for Broadband Infrastructure	Minimum broadband speed requirements are determined in each Funding Opportunity Announcement and posted in the Federal Register.																
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18	Criteria for Eligible Recipients	This program is intended for rural areas without sufficient access to broadband. Rural area is defined in the program regulation as any area that is not located within: (1) A city, town, or incorporated area that has a population of greater than 20,000 inhabitants; or (2) an urbanized area contiguous and adjacent to a city or town that has a population of greater than 50,000 inhabitants as defined in the Agency mapping tool. This definition excludes incarcerated populations and provides limited exclusion of military base populations.																
19	Grant Beneficiaries (if different from eligible recipients)	Households, business, and anchor institutions within the approved project service area.																
20	Programmatic Resources	ReConnect Program Proposed and Approved Projects Map: https://ruraldevelopment.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=e2d4c909																

		e06c46d3aa9577bea695a2b9 ReConnect Program Announcements Page: https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/announcements
21	Reporting Requirements	Additional requirements, including required reporting by grant awardees, can found in the program's regulation, 7 CFR 1740, and on the program's website, https://www.usda.gov/reconnect .
22	Publicly-available programmatic data	ReConnect Program Proposed and Approved Projects Map: https://ruraldevelopment.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=e2d4c909e06c46d3aa9577bea695a2b9 ReConnect Program Announcements Page: https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/announcements
23	Contact information	Please contact the ReConnect Program Staff at https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/contact-us .
24	Additional Information	https://www.usda.gov/reconnect
25	Updated	March 2023