



PROJECT SELECTION NOTICES For DLT Grant Awards Fiscal Year 2010

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$483,705

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

Borough: Nome and Northwest Arctic, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Young, 1st Dist.

Senators: Murkowski and Begich

Recipient: Norton Sound Health Corporation

Recipient Contact: Mr. Maurice Ninham

Mailing Address: 306 W. 5th
Nome, AK 99762

Telephone: (907) 443-3293

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to develop telemedicine services through a videoconferencing network that will connect sixteen isolated communities in northwestern Alaska. This region has no roads and most transportation involves expensive and dangerous airplane rides or long boat trips. Videoconferencing can eliminate unnecessary patient transports and increase the speed at which doctors can reach patients.

Previous Funding:

Matching Funds \$483,705

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$404,517

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

Borough: Bethel, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Young, 1st Dist.

Senators: Murkowski and Begich

Recipient: Kuspuk School District

Recipient Contact: Ms. Marjorie Jane Randlett

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 49
Aniak, AK 99557

Telephone: (907) 675-4250

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to upgrade and expand the distance learning program for the Kuspuk School District. These improvements are necessary for the students to overcome difficult economic and educational challenges through Dual Credit, Advanced Placement courses and technical training. The project will also promote the Native American language and the preservation of their cultural heritage.

Matching Funds: \$139,021

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$350,232

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

Borough: Southeast Fairbanks, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Young, 1st Dist.

Senators: Murkowski and Begich

Recipient: Alaska Gateway School District

Recipient Contact: Mr. Jason Fastenau

Mailing Address: Milepost 1313.5 Alaska Highway
Tok, AK 99780

Telephone: (907) 505-0005

Project Description: RUS funds will bring distance learning to eleven schools in rural villages in the interior of Alaska to expand class availability, accommodate remediation, and address other community needs. The project will include interactive videoconferencing equipment, computers, and interactive whiteboards. Vocational training and certification will also provide an important service to this mineral and resource rich area in sectors such as the mining industry, the petroleum industry, and forestry.

Matching Funds: \$458,483

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$492,793

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

Borough: North Slope, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Young, 1st Dist.

Senators: Murkowski and Begich

Recipient: North Slope Borough School District

Recipient Contact: Ms. Linda Louise Stanford

Mailing Address: 829 Aivik Street
Barrow, AK 99723

Telephone: (817) 851-4668

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by The North Slope Borough School to bring a video distance learning network to an area that is north of the Arctic Circle and larger than the state of Utah. The network will provide service to K-12 schools in remote villages populated by mostly Inupiat. This program will improve the quality of education for these Alaskan Natives and create greater opportunities for Natives to achieve professional success.

Matching Funds: \$256,327

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The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$221,490

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alabama

County: Randolph, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Rogers, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Shelby and Sessions

Recipient: Roanoke Healthcare Authority

Recipient Contact: Mr. Michael David Tipsword

Mailing Address: 59928 Hwy 22
Roanoke, AL 36274

Telephone: (334) 863-4111

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Randolph Medical Center (RMC) to install tele-cardiology and child abuse examination telemedicine equipment to link patients with a remote specialist. Portable video conferencing robots will be installed in homes to provide care 24/7 for cardiac patients and to see trained specialists located in urban areas for child abused patients.

Previous Funding:

Matching Funds: \$67,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$353,488

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: AL

County: DeKalb, 4th Dist.; Pickens, 4th & 7th Dists.; Bibb, 6th Dist.;
and Tuscaloosa, 6th & 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Aderholt, 4th Dist.; Bachus, 6th Dist.; and Sewell, 7th Dist.

Senators: Shelby and Sessions

Recipient: Glenwood, Inc./Indian River Mental Health

Recipient Contact: Mr. Greg Joseph Carlson

Mailing Address: 150 Glenwood Lane

Email Address: Birmingham, AL 35242-5700

Telephone: (205) 795-3322

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Glenwood, Inc., who will be partnering with Autism and Behavioral Health Center and Indian Rivers Mental Health Center to provide telemedicine for serious mental illness, substance disorders, autism, and other intellectual disabilities at schools and health centers. Video conferencing equipment will be installed and community outreach and training for families or professionals will be available to improve communities' health.

Matching Funds: \$177,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$409,462

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alabama

County: Coosa, 3rd & 6th Dists.; and Marengo, 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Rogers, 3rd Dist.; Bachus, 6th Dist. and Sewell, 7th Dist.

Senators: Shelby and Sessions

Recipient: Coosa County Board of Education

Recipient Contact: Mr. Dennis Sanford

Mailing Address: 2001 Nixbury Road
Rockford, AL 35136

Telephone: (256) 377-4913

Project Description: RUS funds will bring distance learning to 7 schools in rural Alabama. The area has been subject to a severe rural exodus. This initiative will seek to reverse that trend by creating more learning opportunities through shared classes that can expand advanced placement programs, dual enrollment, as well as offering drug and alcohol abuse education.

Matching Funds: \$151,016

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$489,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alabama and Georgia

County: **AL:** Bullock, Crenshaw., 2nd Dist.
GA: Rabun, 10th Dist.

Congressman, District: **AL:** Roby, 2nd Dist. **GA:** Broun, 10th Dist.

Senators: **AL:** Shelby and Sessions **GA:** Chambliss and Isakson

Recipient: InMed Clinical Services, LLC

Recipient Contact: Ms. Victoria F. Lawrenson

Mailing Address: 5303 Vaughn Road
Montgomery, AL 36116

Telephone: (334) 386-0343

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by InMed Clinical Services, LLC, to link four community health care facilities in northern Georgia and southeastern Alabama to create a critical telehealth network to service regions that currently have health care provider shortages. The telemedicine equipment will open access to mental health and psychiatry specialists, neurology specialists, pediatric specialist, staff development, and outreach programs for residents of the community.

Matching Funds: \$150,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$426,610

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alabama

County: Greene, and Wilcox, 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Sewell, 7th Dist.

Senators: Shelby and Sessions

Recipient: Wilcox County Schools

Recipient Contact: Ms. Angela Parham

Mailing Address: 2210 Highway 221
Camden, AL 36726

Telephone: (334) 682-4716

Project Description: RUS funds will provide distance learning technology to Wilcox and Green County Alabama that which is challenged by low capital investment in education and high dropout rates. This project will provide this mostly African American community with shared classes, virtual field trips, and classes for adults after school hours and on weekends. Nursing education and African American heritage will also be a main focus for the project.

Matching Funds: \$129,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$335,373

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arkansas and Arizona

County: AR: Garland and Miller, 4th Dist.
AZ: Pinal, 1st, 6th, 7th, & 8th Dists.; and Gila, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: AR: Ross, 4th Dist.
AZ: Gosar; 1st Dist.; Flake; 6th Dist.; Grijalva, 7th Dist.; and Giffords, 8th Dist.

Senators: AR: Pryor & Boozman AZ: McCain & Kyl

Recipient: Arkansas School for Mathematics, Science and the Arts

Recipient Contact: Ms. Chris M. Robbins

Mailing Address: 200 Whittington Ave.
Garland, AR 71901

Telephone: (501) 622-5130

Project Description: RUS funds will bring distance learning technology to a highly rural and poverty stricken area in central Arizona. The program will help reduce the high school drop-out rate, improve math and science departments, and recruit well-qualified teachers. The project will also serve other community needs such as higher education opportunities and business and entrepreneurial development.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$167,687

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$370,860

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arkansas

County: Hempstead, Lafayette, Miller, Nevada, and Pike, 4th Dist.

Congressman, District: Ross, 4th Dist.

Senators: Pryor and Boozman

Recipient: University of Arkansas Community College at Hope

Recipient Contact: Ms. Jennifer Methvin

Mailing Address: 2500 South Main,
Hope, AR 71801

Telephone: (870) 722-8202

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to install video conferencing equipment using existing infrastructure to provide resources to help reduce the educational disparity that exists between the rural schools and the urban schools in Southwest Arkansas. Students will be given equal educational opportunities, access to advanced subject matters, dual enrollment, offer staff development training, and provide students with interaction with other schools.

Matching Funds: \$185,857

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$246,586

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arizona

County: Cochise, 8th Dist.

Congressman, District: Giffords, 8th Dist.

Senators: McCain and Kyl

Recipient: Cochise Technology District

Recipient Contact: Mr. Joel Todd

Mailing Address: 136 S. Haskell
: Wilcox, AZ

Telephone: (520) 766-1999

Project Description: RUS funds will create interactive distance learning classrooms that will allow schools in rural Cochise County to share courses and instructors between its nine high schools. The system will also increase educational opportunities to students by offering dual credit classes, international studies, career counseling, extracurricular studies, and by providing one-on-one support to students who fall behind.

Matching Funds: \$77,000`

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$305,833

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arizona

County: Coconino, 1st & 2nd Dists.

Congressman, District: Gosar, 1st Dist. and Franks, 2nd Dist.

Senators: McCain and Kyl

Recipient: Coconino Community College District

Recipient Contact: Mr. John Richard McDonald

Mailing Address: 2800 S. Lone Tree Road
Flagstaff, AZ

Telephone: (928) 226-4278

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Coconino Community College's initiative to complete the Arizona General Education Curriculum will be accomplished with updating and expanding current Distance Learning equipment. Being the second largest county, housing three Native American tribes and divided by the Colorado River access to high education has been challenging. Through video conferencing educational courses and content can be enabled which allows residents and students to gain an Associate's Degree.

Matching Funds: \$163,926

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$418,314

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: California

County: Shasta, 2nd Dist.

Congressman, District: Herger, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein

Recipient: Fall River Joint Unified School District

Recipient Contact: Ms. Holly B. Krieg

Mailing Address: 20375 Tamarack Avenue
Burney, CA 96013

Telephone: (530) 335-2623

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to offer distance learning opportunities to eleven schools and 1,150 students in the rural county of Shasta in Northeast California. The network will allow for virtual field trips that are extremely important for rural students that live 50-85 miles from the closest city, and video conferencing which will better utilize resources, and professional development to improve, retain, and attract teachers.

Matching Funds: \$129,944

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$394,486

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: CO

County: Adams, Arapahoe, Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Washington, Yuma.

Congressman, District: CO 4 - Cory Gardner; CO6 – Mike Coffman; CO7- Ed Perlmutter

Senators: Michael Bennet, Mark Udall

Recipient: East Central BOCES

Recipient Contact: Ms. Emma Richardson

Mailing Address: 820 2nd Street
Limon, CO 80828

Telephone: 719-775-3242

Project Description: This program will expand the current video conferencing network to serve seventeen schools in east central Colorado. The project will renovate the hub site into a state-of-the-art videoconferencing center and provide equipment to the end user sites for interactive whiteboards, document cameras, computers, and other necessary tools.

Matching Funds: \$201,499

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$483,909

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: CO

County: Ebert, El Paso

Congressman, District: CO 5 - Doug Lamborn

Senators: Michael Bennet, Mark Udall

Recipient: El Paso County School District 22

Recipient Contact: Mr. Harold Terry Ebert

Mailing Address: 395 South Ellicott Hwy
El Paso, CO 80808-8963

Telephone: 719-683-2700

Project Description: Twenty one El Paso school locations within the county are installing interactive video teleconferencing equipment for distance learning. Classes such as advanced mathematics, English, social sciences, psychology and sociology are a few of the additional classes to be offered. With this new system and the new academic and job training programs that will be offered through it, El Paso County School District 22 plans to address challenges such as a declining employment base and school enrollment numbers.

Matching Funds: \$245,884

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$179,731

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Iowa and Missouri

County: **IA:** Wright, 4th Dist.; Fremont, Page, and Union, 5th Dist.
MO: Harrison, 6th Dist.; Christian, 7th Dist.; and Carter, 8th Dist.

Congressman, District: **IA:** Loeb sack; 2nd Dist.; Latham, 4th Dist.; King, 5th Dist.
MO: Graves, 6th Dist.; Long, 7th Dist.; and Emerson, 8th Dist.

Senators: **IA:** Grassley and Harkin **MO:** McCaskill and Blunt

Recipient: Burlington Area Catholic Schools, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mr. Richard Dunshee

Mailing Address: 702 S. Roosevelt Avenue
Burlington, IA 52601-1674

Telephone: (319) 470-3422

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Burlington Notre Dame Language Center to connect through Distance Learning to rural communities in Iowa and Missouri. The goal of the Center is to develop fluency in foreign languages in the seven high schools and one elementary school. Specialized language classes will consist of Chinese, Arabic, and Farsi, plus the traditional languages such as Spanish, French, German and Italian.

Previous Funding:

Matching Funds: \$100,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$421,622

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Idaho

County: Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, and Shoshone, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Labrador, 1st Dist.

Senators: Crapo and Risch

Recipient: North Idaho Rural Health Consortium

Recipient Contact: Ms. Carol Y. Wilson

Mailing Address: 2003 Kootenai Health Way
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

Telephone: (208) 666-3863

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to upgrade and expand the telemedicine and the distance learning system of four hospitals in the rural, mountainous panhandle of Idaho. The upgrades include a new video bridge, a new room for video systems, and the addition of a telemedicine video chart at each site. These improvements will allow new services such as tele-psychiatry, special consultations, cardio-care follow up, and diabetes education.

Matching Funds: \$892,174

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$170,020

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Illinois

County: Schuyler, 18th Dist.

Congressman, District: Schock, 18th Dist.

Senators: Durbin and Kirk

Recipient: Schuyler County Hospital District

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Lynn Ellen Stambaugh

Mailing Address: 238 South Congress Street
: Rushville, IL 62681

Telephone: (217) 322-4321

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to fund a portion of a digital mammography system in order for Culbertson Memorial Hospital to use that system in a telecommunications context, providing a mammographic telemedicine service to nearby hospitals in Schuyler, Cass and Fulton Counties. The digital aspect to the equipment will also allow for the hospitals to tie-into computerized hospital records systems for comprehensive treatment tracking.

Matching Funds \$85,690

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$314,880

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Indiana

County: White, 2nd & 4th Dists.

Congressman, District: Donnelly, 2nd Dist. and Rokita, 4th Dist.

Senators: Lugar and Coats

Recipient: White County Schools Consortium/Tri-County School Corporation

Recipient Contact: Dr. Gilbert Crimmins

Mailing Address: 105 N. 2nd Street
Wolcott, IN 47995

Telephone: (219) 279-2418

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by White County School Consortium to connect fifteen schools through distance learning equipment. This project is designed to offer a wider array of classes to students across the consortium. The communities in White County have suffered job loss, and resulting population loss, causing schools and academic resources to shrink. With video conferencing equipment and a unified distance learning program, the schools will be able to receive the same educational benefits and opportunities as in an urban area.

Matching Funds: \$158,111

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$160,264

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Kentucky

County: Casey, 1st Dist.; Washington, 2nd Dist.; Lincoln, 1st & 6th Dists.;
Boyle, Garrard, 6th Dist.;

Congressman, District: Whitfield, 1st Dist.; Guthrie, 2nd Dist.; and Chandler, 6th Dist.;

Senators: McConnell and Paul

Recipient: Ephraim McDowell Health Care Foundation, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mr. Randall Elisha Greene

Mailing Address: 217 South Third Street
Danville, KY 40422

Telephone: (859)-239-2365

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Ephraim McDowell Health in Danville, Kentucky, to convert analog to Full-Field Digital Mammography at three fixed sites plus an onboard mobile medical vehicle through telemedicine. One third of their service area has no medical center or hospital. Ephraim will aid the residents of the service territory by providing the same medical care as in an urban area, along with digitized diagnostic images that can be read at urban hospitals by specialists.

Matching Funds: \$160,266

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$498,424

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Louisiana

Parish: Claiborne, Grant, Red River, Sabine, Webster, 4th Dist.; Allen, 4th & 5th Dists.; Caldwell, Catahoula, Concordia, East Carrol, Franklin, Jackson, Rapides, Tensas, Union, West Carroll, 5th Dists.; East Feliciana, St. Helena, 6th Dist.; and St. Landry, 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Fleming, 4th Dist.; Alexander, 5th Dist.; Cassidy, 6th Dist.; and Boustany, 7th Dist.

Senators: Landrieu and Vitter

Recipient: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

Recipient Contact: Mr. Michael Austin

Mailing Address: 628 North Fourth Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Telephone: (225) 342-8507

Project Description: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
\$498,424
Louisiana
Counties: Claiborne, Grant, Red River, Sabine, Webster, Allen, Caldwell, Catahoula, Concordia, East Carrol, Franklin, Jackson, Rapides, Tensas, Union, West Carroll, East Feliciana, St. Helena, and St. Landry.
Contact: Mr. Michael Austin, (225) 342-8507
Fleming, 4th Dist.; Alexander, 5th Dist.; Cassidy, 6th Dist.; and Boustany, 7th Dist.

The grant will be used to purchase video teleconferencing equipment for 20 rural parish health units that will extend the department's ability to provide individual counseling and nutritional education to high risk individuals through programs offered to mothers and their small children. The RUS funds will build upon and complement an FCC Pilot Program which funded the underpinning data connectivity for the new DLT-funded interactive video equipment.

Matching Funds

\$150,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$284,666

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Androscoggin, Aroostook, Franklin, Hancock, Oxford, Penobscot, Piscataquis, and Washington, 2nd Dist.

Congressman, District: Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: University of Maine System / University of Maine at Augusta

Recipient Contact: Mr. John Forker

Mailing Address: 46 University Drive
Augusta, ME 04330-9410

Telephone: (207) 621-3372

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to upgrade and expand the video conferencing system at the University of Maine at Augusta (UMA). It calls for a new bridge at UMA and the construction of eight large classrooms and ten small classrooms at the satellites' campuses. The updated network will supply a broader availability of classes for satellite campuses, increased efficiency to the University system as a whole, and greater linkages to professional development networks for teachers.

Matching Funds \$162,260

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$152,095

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: ME

County: Aroostook, Hancock, Kennebec, Somerset, Waldo, Washington

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist.; and Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: Eastern Maine Medical Center

Recipient Contact: Ms. Jean Mellett

Mailing Address: 489 State Street
Bangor, ME 04402-0404

Telephone: (207) 973-7000

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to expand the telemedicine networks that are already in place in rural Eastern Maine. The network will reach six end-user site hospitals and includes two hub hospitals. The project will also expand access to critical care for patients in rural hospitals in order to provide real time monitoring of the patients, and extend the availability of tele-oncology to rural oncology clinics.

Matching Funds: \$79,111

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$441,841

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Androscoggin, Cumberland, Franklin, Oxford

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist. and Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: Regional School Department / Regional School Unit # 78

Recipient Contact: Mr. Brian Foster

Mailing Address: 43 Mendolia Road
Rangeley, ME 04970

Telephone: (207) 864-3311

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to provide twenty-three schools with video conferencing equipment to aid their special education program. Eighteen percent of Maine's K-12 students require special education. A distance learning program will provide new access for these schools to assist their special-needs students to assistance from physiologists, physicians, physical therapists, occupational therapists, nurses, audiologists, and other disability specialists – regardless of geographic restraints.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$223,954

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$471,646

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: ME

County: Androscoggin, Aroostook, Kennebec, Somerset

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist. and Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: Maine School Administration District #52

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Darlene Alice Burdin

Mailing Address: 486 Turner Center Road
Turner, ME 04282

Telephone: (207) 225-3795

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to extend a previously funded distance learning project with interactive video technology and web-based content to 10 more rural schools. As the coverage area moves deeper into Southeastern Maine, more rural students will be able to compete for higher education and gain degrees and certification they'll need to enter the workforce. More teachers will be linked into the state's professional development programs and initiatives.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$238,860

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$359,997

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Aroostook, Kennebec, Waldo

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist. and Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: Regional School Unit #12

Recipient Contact: Ms. Diana Sommers

Mailing Address: 69 Augusta Road
Whitefield, ME 04353

Telephone: (207) 549-3261

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to integrate the students' academic life more closely with their personal digital interaction with the world, incorporating a wider level of interaction than a traditional classroom would provide. By using a web based course management system called Moodle, the hub site at the University of Maine Fort Kent (UMFK) will provide a platform of blogs, forums, podcasts and streaming videos so students can participate in many formats to achieve their course work.

Matching Funds \$181,835

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$433,436

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Aroostook, Cumberland, Franklin, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford,
Penobscot, Piscataquis, Sagadahoc, Somerset, Waldo, Washington,
York

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist. and Michaud, 2nd Dist

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: School Administrative District #31

Recipient Contact: Ms. Tricia Davis

Mailing Address: 230 Cross Street
:
Howland, ME 04448

Telephone: (207) 732-3112

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Maine Administrative District #31 to link libraries, schools and communities through distance learning. Video conferencing systems will bridge the gap between sites in fifteen libraries and nine schools. The system has a wide geographic base, and promises to create a public learning environment for many of Maine's rural communities opening up opportunities for job retraining and lifetime learning.

Matching Funds: \$220,153

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$476,336

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine, Massachusetts and New York

County: **ME:** Aroostook, Cumberland, Hancock, Sagadahoc, Washington, York. **MA:** Essex, Hampshire, Middlesex, Norfolk. **NY:** Monroe, 25th, 26th, 28th, and 29th Dists.

Congressman, District: **ME:** Pingree, 1st Dist.; and Michaud, 2nd Dist.
MA: Olver, 1st Dist.; Neal, 2nd Dist.; McGovern, 3rd Dist.; Frank, 4th Dist.; Tsongas, 5th Dist.; Tierney, 6th Dist.; Markey, 7th Dist.; Capuano, 8th Dist.; Lynch, 9th Dist.; and Keating, 10th Dist.
NY: Buerkle, 25th Dist.; Lee, 26th Dist.; Slaughter, 28th Dist. and Reed, 29th Dist.

Senators: **ME:** Snowe and Collins **MA:** Kerry and Brown
NY: Schumer and Gillibrand

Recipient: Maine Education Center for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Recipient Contact: Ms. Barbara Keefe

Mailing Address: One Mackworth Island
: Falmouth, ME 04105

Telephone: (207) 781-6209

Project Description: RUS funds will be used on technology for this distance learning project and its accompanying educational programming will help enable deaf and hearing impaired students to overcome geographical barriers in order to obtain an education not otherwise possible within their rural community. In particular this project will allow students to collaborate on methods to learn American Sign Language. The project also serves as a platform with which to connect these students with hearing students, teachers and parents in underserved areas.

Matching Funds: \$238,644

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$148,440

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Aroostook and Penobscot, 2nd Dist.

Congressman, District: Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snow and Collins

Recipient: Katahdin Valley Health Center

Recipient Contact: Ms. Lori A. Donley

Mailing Address: 30 Houlton Street,
Patten, ME 04765

Telephone: (207) 528-2285

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by this telemedicine project for multipurpose video teleconferencing and health management system to targets areas in Northern and Central Maine which are medically underserved and which suffer from a shortage of health professionals. The equipment will bridge the gap and bring sub-specialty clinics, providing better coverage in behavioral health, oncology, dermatology, internal medicine and dental care

Matching Funds: \$52,121

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$268,113

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford, Waldo, York

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist. and Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: MaineHealth

Recipient Contact: Dr. Jacquelyn Crawley

Mailing Address: 465 Congress Street, Suite 600
Portland, ME 04101

Telephone: (207) 541-7521

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by MaineHealth to link 33 rural municipalities to specialists at urban hubs for stroke, trauma, and psychiatric care 24/7, and install videoconferencing equipment in five outpatient facilities, many of which are located in counties that are exceptionally rural and designated medically underserved. The system accommodates integrated training and supervision for midlevel physicians and care providers at all locations, and provides enhanced continuing medical education throughout.

Matching Funds: \$203,767

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$146,903

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Knox, Lincoln, Waldo

Congressman, District: Pingree, 1st Dist. and Michaud, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Snowe and Collins

Recipient: Kno-Wal-Lin Home Care and Hospice, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Virginia Peckham

Mailing Address: 170 Pleasant Street
Rockland, ME 04841

Telephone: (207) 594-6706

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to connect Knox, Lincoln, and Waldo counties in Maine and several island communities with telemedicine technology. Tele-homecare and tele-video units are the two essential parts of the project which will monitor patients' vital signs and allow interaction with care providers in addressing for chronic medical conditions.

Previous Funding: FY 2009:
FY 2010:

Matching Funds: \$110,320

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$147,904

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Marshall Islands

County: Majuro Atoll, Kwajalein Atoll

Delegate: Guam: Bordallo, 1st Dist.
Northern Mariana Islands: Sablan, 1st Dist.

Recipient: College of the Marshall Islands

Recipient Contact: Dr. Kenneth B. Woodbury, Jr.

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 1258
Majuro, M.Is 96960

Telephone: (011) (692) 625-6895

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to bring distance learning to the College of the Marshall Islands. Through the Compact of Free Association with the United States, the Marshall Islands is eligible for many federal programs. This project will extend videoconference technology from the College's main campus on the Majuro Atoll to the Arrak Campus on the opposite side of the Majuro Atoll. The video system will also reach the town of Ebeye on the Kwajalein Atoll, which currently does not have a college campus.

Matching Funds: \$44,890

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$330,008

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Minnesota

County: Stearns, 6th & 7th Dists.; Douglas, Pope, Ottertail, and Todd, 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Bachmann, 6th Dist. and Peterson, 7th Dist.

Senators: Klobuchar and Franken

Recipient: Central Minnesota Educational Telecommunications System

Recipient Contact: Mr. Allen W. Edwards

Mailing Address: 501 Central Ave.
: Alexandria, MN 56360

Telephone: (320) 859-2191

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Central Minnesota Educational Telecommunications System to expand nine rural public school districts education through distance learning classrooms. The interactive video technology will improve academic programs with access to higher academic coursework, and promote cooperative learning to build partnerships and promote diversity. The project will bring new bring new educational tools to assist schools reach NCLB accountability requirements.

Matching Funds: \$347,394

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$369,906

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Minnesota

County: Brown, Cottonwood, Jackson, Lincoln, Lyon, Yellow Medicine, Nobles, Lincoln, Redwood, Rock

Congressman, District: MN 1 - Tim Walz; MN 7 - Collin Peterson

Senators: Klobuchar and Franken

Recipient: Southwest/West Central Service Cooperative

Recipient Contact: Mr. Josh Sumption

Mailing Address: 1420 East College Drive
Marshall, MN 56258

Telephone: (507) 537-2265

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to provide distance learning to sixteen schools through video conferencing equipment placed at each school. Students from each site will share in the access to advanced and expanded course choices. Special Education students will receive specialized coursework and innovative programming. Residents of all ages will have the option to continue their education and job retraining. New educational tools through the distance learning system will help the schools address challenges they face in meeting adequate yearly progress, and in meeting academic standards.

Matching Funds: \$334,846

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$457,500

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Missouri

County: Dallas, 4th Dist.; Polk, 4th & 7th Dists.; and Greene, 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Hartzler, 4th Dist. and Long, 7th Dist.

Senators: McCaskill and Blunt

Recipient: Citizens Memorial Hospital District

Recipient Contact: Mr. Dennis McColm

Mailing Address: 1500 N, Oakland
Bolivar, MO 65613-3099

Telephone: (417) 328-6407

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by The Citizens Memorial District to implement a telemedicine program that centralizes the management of medications. Tele-pharmacy allows rural residents to connect to a pharmacist during evening hours and in from remote locations, and computerizes the management of prescriptions, which greatly improves the timely review of medication orders generally improves the efficiencies in all aspects of a pharmacy operation

Matching Funds \$142,750

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$220,459

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Missouri

County: Pulaski, Vernon, 4th Dist.; Andrew, Caldwell, Gentry, Harrison, Holt, Linn, Putnam, Sullivan, 6th Dist.; McDonald, 7th Dist. Dent, Douglas, Dunklin, Howell, Iron, New Madrid, Phelps, Reynolds, Scott, Stoddard, 8th Dist.; Gasconade, Osage, and Macon, 9th Dist.

Congressman, District: Hartzler, 4th Dist.; Graves, 6th Dist.; Long, 7th Dist.; Emerson, 8th Dist.; Luetkemeyer, 9th Dist.

Senators: McCaskill and Blunt

Recipient: The Curators of the University of Missouri

Recipient Contact: Ms. Jennifer E. Duncan

Mailing Address: 310 Jesse Hall
Columbia, MO 65211-1230

Telephone: (573) 882-7560

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to upgrade the existing Missouri Telehealth Network adding 11 new rural health centers, and bringing new services to 19 of their current rural sites, including their specialties in radiology, mental health dermatology and cardiology. New equipment such as a digital stethoscope, and a high definition close-up camera for dermatology will enhance the quality and precision of medical services to their rural patients.

Matching Funds: \$194,100

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$305,410

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Missouri

County: Butler, Carter, Dunklin, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Ripley, Stoddard, and Wayne, 8th Dist.

Congressman, District: Emerson, 8th Dist.

Senators: McCaskill and Blunt, Claire

Recipient: Kennett School District

Recipient Contact: Mr. Chris Wilson

Mailing Address: 510 College Avenue
Kennett, MO 63857

Telephone: (573) 717-1100

Project Description: RUS funds will be used for this distance learning project which is designed as a results-oriented initiative, using the connectivity that the interactive video affords to tackle problems found in many rural communities - those of rising dropout rates, unaffordable recovery programs for students who fall behind, and a lack of highly qualified teachers. With an emphasis on collaborative learning, their distance learning initiative will be also brought to bear on the challenges of adult education, offering community college programs during after school hours.

Matching Funds: \$161,713

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$280,332

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Missouri

County: Moniteau, 4th Dist.; DeKalb, Livingston, 6th Dist.; Mississippi, St. Francois, Texas, Washington, 8th Dist.; Audrain, Callaway, Pike, and Randolph, 9th Dist.

Congressman, District: Hartzler, 4th Dist.; Graves, 6th Dist.; Emerson, 8th Dist.; and Luetkemeyer, 9th Dist.

Senators: McCaskill and Blunt

Recipient: Correctional Medical Services, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mr. Ralf Salke

Mailing Address: 12647 Olive Boulevard

Email Address: St. Louis, MO 63141

Telephone: (573) 654-4515

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to provide telemedicine for inmates under the Missouri Department of Corrections thereby increasing the safety of those communities which the prisoners are escorted through to receive health care. The deployment of video teleconference equipment and health management programming reduces risks that are associated with transportation of inmates for medical and mental health services, and provides for adequate medical treatment of incarcerated persons.

Matching Funds: \$280,052

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$125,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Missouri

County: Lafayette, 4th Dist.

Congressman, District: Hartzler, 4th Dist.

Senators: McCaskill and Blunt

Recipient: Health Care Coalition of Lafayette County

Recipient Contact: Ms. Toniann Richard

Mailing Address: 811 D Highway 13
Lexington, MO 64067-1572

Telephone: (660) 259-9019

Project Description: RUS funds will be used at four health care centers and clinics in Lafayette County that are teaming up to establish a telemedicine project to provide comprehensive mental health and substance abuse treatment and prevention services. Video conferencing and health care management programming will allow each site to contribute to the 'pool' of services and medical professionals at the other sites creating a whole that is greater than the sum of its parts.

Matching Funds: \$62,956

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$495,926

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Missouri and Arkansas

County: **MO:** St. Louis, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Dists.; Barry, 7th Dist.; Howell, 8th Dist.; and Franklin, 9th Dist.
AR: Carroll, 3rd Dist.; Franklin, 3rd & 4th Dists.; and Scott, 4th Dist.

Congressman, District: **MO:** Clay, 1st Dist.; Akin, 2nd Dist.; Carnahan, 3rd Dist.; Long, 7th Dist.; Emerson, 8th Dist. and Luetkemeyer, 9th Dist.
AR: Womack, 3rd Dist and Ross, 4th Dist.

Senators: **MO:** McCaskill and Blunt **AR:** Pryor and Boozman

Recipient: Sisters of Mercy Health System

Recipient Contact: Mr. Timothy R. Smith, M.D., R.Ph

Mailing Address: 14528 S. Outer Forty Drive
Email Address: Suite 100
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Telephone: (314) 251-8890

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by the Sisters of Mercy Health System to extend the reach of their medical services by deploying monitoring devices in patient's homes with chronic conditions. Devices such as digital blood pressure monitors, weight scales, and pulse oximeters will be part of the home monitoring package that will connect to the system's existing electronic health records. Rural residents in this 7-county area will benefit from reduced travel time, greater access to medical information and personnel, and reduced lower medical costs for chronic conditions

Matching Funds: \$153,767

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$274,191

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Mississippi

County: Jones, Leake, Newton, Neshoba, and Winston

Congressman, District: Nunnelee, 1st Dist.; Thompson, 2nd Dist.; Harper, 3rd Dist. and Palazzo, 4th Dist.

Senators: Cochran and Wicker

Recipient: Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians

Recipient Contact: Ms. Hillary Ward

Mailing Address: 101 Industrial Road
Choctaw, MS 39350

Telephone: (601) 663-7650

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to serve Mississippi Choctaw Indian schools within the seven-county service area which covers 35,000 acres of the Choctaw Indian Reservation. The video teleconferencing equipment and educational programming will provide modern tools enabling the Choctaw community to further their own deep tradition of nourishing their children for education and excellence. A videoconferencing endpoint for each school will enhance the overall curriculum, including Choctaw language and cultural courses, and will combine with technological skill-building and collaboration tools to help prepare the next generation for 21st Century skills and abilities.

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Matching Funds: \$82,400

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$490,362

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Montana

County: Lincoln, Ravalli, and Sanders, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Rehburg, 1st Dist.

Senators: Baucus and Tester

Recipient: Thompson Falls School District 2

Recipient Contact: Dr. Jerry L. Pauli

Mailing Address: 307 3rd Avenue West
Thompson Falls, MT 59873

Telephone: (406) 827-3323

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Thompson Falls School District 2 to increase academic opportunities for K-12 students in five rural school districts in Montana through distance learning. The initiative will allow schools to share resources, staff, and programs - which will help to offset decreasing resources in the school system due to budgetary constraints. This project will collaborate with the Winnett Virtual Learners Project, connecting schools across both projects to fully capitalize on the opportunities of this grant.

Matching Funds: \$160,131

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$471,102

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Montana

County: Big Horn, Fergus, Judith Basin, Petroleum, Roosevelt, Wheatland, and Yellowstone, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Rehburg, 1st Dist.

Senators: Baucus and Tester

Recipient: Winnett Virtual Learners RUS Informal Consortium

Recipient Contact: Ms. Sue McKenna

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 76
205 So. Broadway
Winnett, MT 59087

Telephone: (406) 429-2251

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Winnett Virtual Learners RUS Informal Consortium project to increase educational opportunities to K-12 students in ten rural school districts in Montana. This distance learning program will increase the number of courses for the students, and provide virtual field trips that would otherwise be impossible for these school districts that are over 600 miles from a major city. The system will also provide professional development programs for teachers and create a platform for collaboration between teachers at all schools.

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Matching Funds: \$158,855

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$213,277

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Montana

County: Beaverhead, Big Horn, Blaine, Carbon, Musselshell, Roosevelt, Rosebud, and Wheatland, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Rehburg, 1st Dist.

Senators: Baucus and Tester

Recipient: St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation

Recipient Contact: Ms. Doris T. Barta, MHA

Mailing Address: 175 N 27th Street
Suite 803
Billings, MT 59101

Telephone: (406) 237-3602

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation to establish a telemedicine video network to bring about pediatric telehealth services in emergency and trauma care to twelve fixed sites covering 8 counties, including several Indian reservations. Digital equipment used by trained staff at the point of care connected to major hospital hubs with specialists on hand will be able to bring about a new era of pediatric emergency care to areas currently suffering from insufficient medical resources. The network will provide 24 hour pediatric and general emergency support as well as training and professional development in emergency care.

Matching Funds: \$171,503

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$264,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: North Carolina

County: Mitchell, 10th Dist.; and Yancey, 11th Dist.

Congressman, District: McHenry, 10th Dist. and Shuler, 11th Dist.

Senators: Burr and Hagan

Recipient: Graham Children's Health Service of Toe River

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Heather Norris Hockaday

Mailing Address: 202 Medical Campus Drive, Burnsville, NC 28714

Telephone: (828) 682-7899

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to fund a school-based tele-health program for school age children in Yancey and Mitchell County in western North Carolina. My Health-e-Schools project will build upon the network of school-based health providers, nurses, teachers and administrators to provide primary health care, mental health care and nutritional counseling. Lead by a professional medical staff, and enhanced by new digital exam equipment and linked together with video teleconferencing technology, the project will address student's health problems on site at 11 public schools. The added benefits of this include increasing classroom attendance for students, and reducing the need for parents to take their children to the doctors for basic health care.

Matching Funds: \$133,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$302,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: North Dakota

County: Burleigh, Divide, Dunn, Grant, Kidder, LaMoure, Logan, McHenry, McIntosh, McKenzie, McLean, Mercer, Mountrail, Rolette, Sheridan, Sioux, and Ward

Congressman, District: Berg, 1st Dist.

Senators: Conrad and Hoeven

Recipient: St. Alexius Medical Center

Recipient Contact: Ms. Jaelyn Bugbee

Mailing Address: 900 East Broadway Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58501

Telephone: (701) 530-7394

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to expand a rural EKG/ECG telemedicine network that connects 22 rural hospitals and clinics in North Dakota to cardiac specialists in Bismarck at the St. Alexius Medical Center. The project will expand to 3 new rural locations plus upgrade system software to convert echocardiograms from film to digital. The expansion and upgrade furthers the reach and the capabilities of cardiologists, heart surgeons, vascular surgeons, and interventional radiologists as these health services expand into rural North Dakota

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Matching Funds: \$100,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$152,672

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Madison, 1st Dist.; Antelope, Boyd, Holt, Pierce, and Rock, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Fortenberry, 1st Dist. and Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Faith Regional Health Services

Recipient Contact: Ms. Sally Pieper

Mailing Address: 2700 Norfolk Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701
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Telephone: (402) 644-7349

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to expand Faith Regional Health Services' tele-health network by increasing the number of bedside electronic cardiac monitors and related equipment in 7 rural hospitals in northeast Nebraska. FRHS will also update tele-medical equipment in its existing critical access hospitals, in all to enhance cardiac testing services and to further cardiac care and professional consultation. These services are being developed in response to the scarcity of rural medical professionals and resources in the midst of an increasingly elderly population of rural Nebraska.

Matching Funds: \$77,863

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$172,958

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, and Sioux, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Educational Service Unit 13

Recipient Contact: Mr. BJ Peters

Mailing Address: 4215 Avenue I, Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Telephone: (308) 635-3696

Project Description: RUS funds will be used for this distance learning project that serves the remote Nebraska panhandle to expand a system put in place as a result of a 2009 RUS DLT grant. To address a shortage of agriculture-based high school programs, agriculture and leadership programs will be a highlighted feature of the enhanced system. College and dual credit courses will also be offered, as well as staff development training. The upgrade includes an audio bridge, which will enable more schools participating not yet possessing interactive video capabilities.

Previous Funding: FY 2009:

Matching Funds: \$129,800

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$494,011

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Blaine, Buffalo, Custer, Dawson, Franklin, Garfield, Gosper, Greely, Hall, Harlan, Howard, Kearney, Loup, Phelps, Sherman, and Valley, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Educational Service Unit 10

Recipient Contact: Mr. John Stritt

Mailing Address: 76 Plaza Boulevard, Kearney, NE 68845

Telephone: (308) 865-5664

Project Description: RUS funds will be used for this distance learning project that will serve a consortium of 40 School districts and Education Service Units. It will provide distance learning to 91 schools, most of which are in exceptionally rural areas. Advanced placement courses, foreign languages, and advanced science classes will now become available as a result of the funded equipment and its interactive software. Professional development for instructors and collaboration amongst participating schools are also featured in this central Nebraska educational network.

Previous Funding:

Matching Funds: \$378,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$213,070

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Madison, Stanton, 1st Dist.; Antelope, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Grant, Holt, Keya Paha, Knox, Pierce, Rock, and Wheeler, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Fortenberry; 1st Dist. and Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Educational Service Unit #8

Recipient Contact: Ms. Diane M. Wolfe

Mailing Address: 106 W. 3rd St, Neligh, NE 68756

Telephone: (402) 721-1770

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Northeast Community College to connect with 28 high schools in northeast and north central Nebraska with an emphasis on agricultural career opportunities. Equipment from an older distance learning system will be updated with modern and portable units for more flexibility and better interoperability. The system will be available during after school hours to promote opportunities for students of all ages in the participating communities.

Matching Funds: \$213,283

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$193,344

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Cedar, 1st & 3rd Dist.; Dixon, Madison, Thurston, Wayne, 1st Dist.;
and Knox, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Fortenberry, 1st and Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Educational Service Unit #1

Recipient Contact: Ms. Diane M. Wolfe

Mailing Address: 211 Tenth Street, Wakefield, NE 68784

Telephone: (402) 721-1770

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Northeast Community College in Madison to establish a link with 16 high schools to expand educational and career opportunities in northeast Nebraska. Like other Nebraska distance learning projects, agricultural education is a key feature to the offered coursework. This project will install new video equipment where needed and replace outdated components for more portability and better interoperability. Advanced placement coursework and collaborative programs are also featured in the planned upgraded system. After hours use of the equipment will be available multi-purposes in the community, including programs offered by University of Nebraska extension services, public broadcasting and tele-health providers.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$193,346

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$145,290

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Burt, Butler, Colfax, Dodge, Madison, Saunders 1st Dist.; Platte, 1st & 3rd Dists.; Boone, Merrick, and Nance, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Fortenberry, 1st Dist and Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Educational Service Unit #2

Recipient Contact: Ms. Diane M. Wolfe

Mailing Address: 2320 N. Colorado Ave., Fremont, NE 68025

Telephone: (402) 721-1770

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to increase the availability of courses and education programming to support agricultural career opportunities for students of 17 high schools in eastern Nebraska by connecting with each other and with Northeast Community College. The project includes increasing the number of portable video-conferencing units and upgrading the video routing capabilities of current classrooms. The expansion of agricultural education is imperative to support the agriculturally based economy of rural Nebraska.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$145,291

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$96,161

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Scotts Bluff, Brown, Dawes, Garfield

Congressman, District: Smith, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Nelson and Johanns

Recipient: Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska DBA the University of Nebraska Medical Center

Recipient Contact: Ms. Deborah D. Vetter

Mailing Address: 987835 Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE 68198-7835

Telephone: (402) 559-7456

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by the University of Nebraska Medical Center for video conferencing to train dental professionals, and to raise public awareness and facilitate communications on the overall importance of dental health in rural Nebraska. The video system will connect medical professionals and make available educational programming from the university to 2 dental clinics and 2 community action partnerships in a 4 county area to establish this unique program. They hope to build a cadre of rural dental professionals and through communications efforts and face-to-face meetings via the video network make strides in improving the dental health of rural residents in Nebraska.

Matching Funds: \$100,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$222,849

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New Hampshire

County: Carroll, Coos, Grafton, Merrimack, Rockingham, Sullivan

Congressman, District: Guinta, 1st Dist. and Bass, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Shaheen and Ayotte

Recipient: University of New Hampshire

Recipient Contact: Mr. Scott A. Valcourt

Mailing Address: 51 College Road, Strafford, NH 03824

Telephone: (603) 862-4489

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by a project sponsored by the University of New Hampshire, is an extensive and comprehensive mental health video teleconferencing network, with medical consultation provided by professionals at 9 hub resource sites which will be linked to 14 endpoint locations, including rural hospitals, community service centers, behavioral health offices, Cooperative Extension offices, and a county jail. The video network will also include the university's successful peer support program for behavioral health patients, and provide training for rural clinicians.

Matching Funds: \$131,679

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$142,880

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New Jersey

County: Salem

Congressman, District: LoBiondo, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Lautenberg and Menendez

Recipient: Restoring Homes I Urban Renewal, LP

Recipient Contact: Mr. Ron Rukenstein

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 1, Titusville, NJ 08560

Telephone: (609) 730-8138

Project Description: RUS funds will be used in the rural and agricultural areas of southwestern New Jersey at the Harvest Point apartment complex, outside of Salem City, which has been revived in recent years by local leadership and community intervention with funding assistance from USDA Rural Development Housing Program. The new equipment that will be installed at their on-site Community Resource and Learning Center will further the project's reach connecting to a host of local education and training resources, such as Salem City School System, Salem Vocational Technical School, the Salem County College, and others to offer a vast array of training in job preparedness, legal mediation and basic living skills..

Previous Funding: FY 2009:

Matching Funds: \$142,881

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$499,486

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New Mexico

County: McKinley

Congressman, District: NM-3 Ben Ray Lujan

Senators: Jeff Bingaman, Tom Udall

Recipient: Gallup-McKinley County School District

Recipient Contact: Mr. Bart Stanley

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1318
Gallup, NM 87305

Telephone: (505)-721-2200

Project Description: In this project RUS-funded project 18 schools will connect to each other and to hubs at the Educational Development Center and at Gallup-McKinley central office to create a 1st time video teleconferencing system for those schools. The schools will be connecting teachers and students in 10 communities to share courses, initiate new courses and to offer professional development for faculty. Gallup is the hub of the Four Corners' region, the largest Indian center in the Southwest and ceremonial capitol of Native America. The school district will also develop collaborative programs to capture, preserve and build upon the rich Native American history and culture.

Matching Funds: \$300,206

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$475,145

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New Mexico

County: Torrance, 1st Dist.; Sandoval, 1st & 3rd Dist.; and Taos, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Heinrich, 1st Dist. and Lujan, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Bingaman and Udall

Recipient: Jemez Valley Public Schools

Recipient Contact: Mr. Emmanuel David Atencio

Mailing Address: 8501 Highway 4, Jamex Pueblo, NM 87024

Telephone: (575) 834-7391

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by this project which serves over 1,000 square miles of rural northern New Mexico. Distance learning equipment will connect 8 schools in this region, where Native American and Hispanic populations are predominant. Advanced placement courses, language classes, continuing education/certification courses for teachers are only a few of the offerings which will enable the schools to make an enormous leap in the educational opportunities for these communities. Furthermore, the system will link to Jemez Valley Medical Clinic providing medical support and training to the very small health staff which is shared among all schools in the project area.

Matching Funds: \$190,179

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$500,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New York

County: NY: Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis

Congressman, District: NY 23 - Bill Owens; NY 24 - Richard Hanna

Senators: Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Charles E. Schumer

Recipient: Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services

Recipient Contact: Ms. Patricia O'Driscoll

Mailing Address: 20104 State Route 3, Watertown, NY 13601-5555

Email Address:

Telephone: (315)-779-7023

Project Description: The RUS-funded Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida BOCES project will connect 11 schools in central and western New York. The system will allow the schools to share courses and instructors, and to expand offerings such as career and technical education, advanced placement, advanced math, science and foreign languages, tutoring, and support for college application. Faculty will also utilize the equipment for professional development, and local residents for lifetime learning.

Matching Funds: \$500,634

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$390,059

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New York

County: NY: Delaware, Greene, Otsego, Schoharie

Congressman, District: NY 20 - Chris Gibson; NY 21 - Paul Tonko; NY 24 - Richard Hanna

Senators: Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Charles E. Schumer

Recipient: Otsego Northern Catskills Board of Cooperative Educational Services

Recipient Contact: Mr. Nicholas J. Savin

Mailing Address: 159 West Main Street, Stamford, NY 12167-1027

Telephone: (607)-652-1209

Project Description: This RUS-funded distance learning project will finance new video endpoints at participating schools in this Catskill Mountain region, and upgrade their existing system capacity to accommodate for the new school connections and overall interoperability. Sixteen rural schools will be sharing instructors and their courses, participating in virtual field trips and offering professional training and collaborative curriculum development for faculty.

Matching Funds: \$120,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$488,265

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New York

County: NY: Cayuga, Cortland, Orange, Steuben, Ulster, Wayne, Yates

Congressman, District: NY 19 - Nan Hayworth; NY 22 - Maurice Hinchey; NY 24 - Richard Hanna; NY 25 - Ann Marie Buerkle; NY 29 - Tom Reed

Senators: Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Charles E. Schumer

Recipient: Finger Lakes Migrant Health Care Project, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Mary Zelazny

Mailing Address: 14 Maiden Lane, Penn Yan, NY 14527

Telephone: (315)-531-9102

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will expand a previously funded Farm Worker Telehealth Network, connecting 8 migrant clinics and 8 community child wellness centers in several areas of rural New York to 8 hospitals and physician clinics in Syracuse, Geneva, and Cortland. The project will provide local examination facilities with video telecommunications and other equipment so that the rural patients can access specialists and other healthcare resources at a distance. Medical services such as occupational health, emergency care, dental care, physician consultations and examinations, eye screenings, and behavioral health consultations will rise to a new level of sophistication. The system will also be used to offer cultural and language courses and to further promote employment opportunities through job training.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$516,159

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$391,576

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New York

County: Madison, 23rd Dist.; Cortland, 24th Dist.; and Onondaga, 25th Dist.

Congressman, District: Owens, 23rd Dist.; Hanna, 24th Dist.; and Buerkle, 25th Dist.

Senators: Schumer and Gillibrand

Recipient: Onondaga Cortland Madison BOCES

Recipient Contact: Ms. Amy Spath

Mailing Address: 6820 Thompson Road, Syracuse, NY 13211

Telephone: (315) 433-8332

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by this project to expand an existing distance learning system that was funded through a 2009 DLT grant. The project serves 3 counties in central New York and will expand the reach of their system to include an additional 10 rural schools. The goals are to increase the number of students and enrollment in courses such as AP, dual enrollment, foreign languages and other advanced coursework. Along with the expansion of the system will be an expansion in courses, such as Onondaga language and culture, job preparedness and professional development for teachers.

Previous Funding: 2009

Matching Funds: \$391,662

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$363,157

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New York

County: Jefferson, Lewis, 23rd Dist.; and Oneida, 23rd & 24th Dists.

Congressman, District: Owens, 23rd Dist.; and Hanna, 24th Dist.

Senators: Schumer and Gillibrand

Recipient: Project UNITE II Consortium/South Lewis Central School District

Recipient Contact: Mr. Douglas Premo

Mailing Address: 4264 East Road, Turin, NY 13473

Telephone: (315) 348-2508

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by this project to expand on a distance learning system in west central New York state funded with 2009 DLT funds. Web-based collaborative learning in its many facets will be deployed in 12 public schools, expanding the partnerships involved in the project and in the availability of the system which will impact the collaborative learning for 4,600 rural students, as well as teachers and local residents.

Previous Funding: FY 2009:

Matching Funds: \$212,903

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$189,704

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New York

County: Seneca, 24th Dist.; Cayuga, 24th & 25th Dists.; Monroe, 25th, 26th, 28th, & 29th Dists.; Steuben, 29th Dist.

Congressman, District: Hanna, 24th Dist.; Buerkle, 25th Dist.; Lee, 26th Dist.; Slaughter, 28th Dist.; and Reed, 29th Dist.

Senators: Schumer and Gillibrand

Recipient: Hillside Family of Agencies

Recipient Contact: Mr. David James-Wilson

Mailing Address: 1183 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620

Telephone: (585) 256-7597

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by The Hillside Family of Agencies which is a non-profit provider of education, mental health and residential treatment services to children, youth, and their families. This project will build upon and extend a telemedicine system which links 3 rural campuses with the organization's main campus in Rochester. The expanded system will offer 24/7 psychiatric and pediatric tele-health consultation, crisis response, medication administration and other services to help offset the shortage of nurses and rural health providers in this 4-county area of central and western New York.

Previous Funding: FY 2009:

Matching Funds: \$142,657

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$190,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Ohio

County: Belmont, 6th & 18th Dist.

Congressman, District: Johnson, 6th Dist. and Gibbs, 18th Dist.

Senators: Brown and Portman

Recipient: Barnesville Hospital Association, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mr. Richard Doan

Mailing Address: 639 West Main Street, Barnesville, OH 43713

Telephone: (740) 425-5101

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to assist Barnesville Hospital in the purchase of a digital mammography system to the extent that the system is used as a telecommunications device, transmitting digital images to offsite radiologists and mammographic services not readily available locally. With limited radiological coverage, the hospital will be a substantial increase in its ability to provide mammographic services in quality, quantity and timely availability, thus better serving the residents in this Medically Underserved Area of central eastern Ohio.

Matching Funds: \$104,600

Field Contact:
Phone:
Obligation Date:

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$400,083

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: OH

County: OH: Athens, Gallia, Jackson, Lawrence Meigs.

Congressman, District: OH-6, Bill Johnson; OH-18, Bob Gibbs

Senators: OH: Sherrod Brown, Rob Portman;

Recipient: Holzer Clinic Incorporated

Recipient Contact: Mr. Matthew Mossburg

Mailing Address: 90 Jackson Pike, Gallipolis, OH 45631

Telephone: (740)-446-5837

Project Description: The RUS-funded video teleconferencing equipment for this grant will be used primarily for medical and health care training between the hospital hub in Gallipolis and 19 outlying hospitals and clinics in 5 rural southeastern Ohio counties. The project will also incorporate practitioner carts as part of a broad distance learning and telemedicine initiative. The ability to have physicians consult with patients at a distance, and the wide array of training courses will help to build and attract a new generation of healthcare professionals.

Matching Funds: \$404,124

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$483,329

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Ohio

County: Belmont, 6th & 18th Dists.; and Monroe, 6th Dist.

Congressman, District: Johnson, 6th Dist. and Gibbs, 18th Dist.

Senators: Brown and Portman

Recipient: Switzerland of Ohio School District

Recipient Contact: Ms. Tess Hill

Mailing Address: 304 Mill Street, Woodfield, OH 43793

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Telephone: (740) 472-5801

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to establish a first-time distance learning video teleconferencing system between 8 schools in Monroe County, east central Ohio along the Ohio River. Along with core curriculum advanced placement, and career training courses, the project will address problem-solving skills and introduce an innovative kindergarten education initiative to prepare children for a lifetime of learning.

Matching Funding: \$167,866

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$479,874

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: OK

County: Adair, Latimer, Le Flore, Pittsburg, 2nd Dist.; Love, and Pontotoc, 4th Dist.

Congressman, District: Boren, 2nd Dist. and Cole, 4th Dist.

Senators: Inhofe and Coburn

Recipient: Howe Public School District I-067

Recipient Contact: Mr. Scott Parks

Mailing Address: 21444 East North Railroad Street, Howe, OK 74940

Telephone: (918) 658-3666

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to expand on previous DLT grants to expand its reach into 5 new school districts, and linking with Carl Albert State College Sallisaw campus and workforce development resources. The project will also make system-wide upgrades to accommodate the increase data traffic and capacity, and add new curricular offerings and collaboration tools.

Previous Funding: FY 2008 / 2009:

Matching Funds: \$171,891

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$499,211

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oklahoma

County: Atoka, Johnston, 2nd Dist.; Marshall and Murray, 4th Dist.

Congressman, District: Boren, 2nd Dist. and Cole, 4th Dist.

Senators: Inhofe and Coburn

Recipient: INCA Community Services, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Melissa Manning

Mailing Address: 202 S Capitol, Tishomingo, OK 73460

Telephone: (580) 889-5193

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will serve a region known as the “Lake Country” of Oklahoma. INCA Community Services will establish a distance learning system linking 16 sites. The project will use video teleconferencing to support Head Start initiatives, GED completion, ESL programs, professional development, and health education. The program will also promote other community initiatives including community service and family literacy services.

Matching Funds: \$151,036

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$496,516

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oklahoma

County: Atoka, Beaver, Blaine, Canadian, Cimarron, Coal, Comanche, Custer, Delaware, Kay, Marshall, Mayes, McCurtain, Oklahoma, Ottawa, Seminole, Texas, and Tulsa

Congressman, District: Sullivan, 1st Dist.; Boren, 2nd Dist.; Lucas, 3rd Dist.; Cole, 4th Dist. and Lankford, 5th Dist.

Senators: Inhofe and Coburn

Recipient: INTEGRIS Health, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Pamela G. Forducey

Mailing Address: 300 NW Expressway Suite 800, Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Telephone: (405) 713-4433

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by INTEGRIS Health to replace outdated systems with modern interoperable video teleconferencing equipment throughout this network of 20 rural schools, hospitals and health centers. These end users will link to 11 resource hospitals and physicians offices to establish 4 initiatives within this project: 1) speech therapy, and instruction to students at participating schools; 2) telestroke services linking patients to physicians at participating hospitals; 3) continuing medical education to healthcare professionals at the hospital sites; and 4) a stroke recognition program - which will train students to recognize warning signs and symptoms of stroke, and to exercise this life-saving influence in their communities.

Matching Funds: \$387,947

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$91,500

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oregon

County: OR: Jackson

Congressman, District: OR 2 - Greg Walden

Senators: Jeff Merkley, Ron Wyden

Recipient: Community Health Center

Recipient Contact: Ms. Margaret (Peg) Crowley M.P.H., R.N

Mailing Address: 19 Myrtle Street, Medford, OR 97504

Telephone: (541)-842-7706

Project Description: RUS will fund telemedicine video carts to connect three schools with the Community Health Center with the option to connect to medical professionals elsewhere. The three targeted communities have no physicians and no primary or mental health care. The intent is to serve both students and community residents at the school sites in an area that is characterized by low income, lack of insurance and geographical isolation. Among the services to be delivered are remote diagnosis, urgent and preventive care, chronic disease management, and telepsychology.

Matching Funds: \$27,740

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$100,812

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oregon

County: Douglas, 4th Dist.

Congressman, District: DeFazio, 4th Dist.

Senators: Wyden and Merkley

Recipient: ADAPT, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mr. Bruce Piper

Mailing Address: 92 NW Glenhart Drive
Winston, OR 97496

Telephone: (541) 672-2691

Project Description: RUS funds will be used for interactive video systems placed on practitioner carts. South River Community Health Center will extend the services of its physician, nurse practitioner and clinical social worker to low income, medically uninsured residents in geographically isolated communities in Douglas County, southeastern Oregon. These telemedical stations will be placed at the public elementary and high school where they can serve the students, their parents, and other residents. ADAPT will incorporate its own backup satellite uplink units and generators to insure medical coverage during emergency conditions such as power outages and cellular blind spots.

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$351,748

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania

County: PA: Pike and Wayne

Congressman, District: PA 10 - Thomas Marino

Senators: Robert P. Casey Jr., Patrick J. Toomey

Recipient: Wayne Memorial Hospital

Recipient Contact: Mr. John R. Dennis

Mailing Address: 601 Park Street, Honesdale, PA 18431-1445

Telephone: (570)-251-6533

Project Description: RUS will fund teleradiology equipment at two end user sites, Wayne Memorial Hospital and the Wayne Memorial Pike County Health Center. This equipment will allow them to obtain readings from 6 specialist radiologist centers including remote echocardiography and ultrasound for cardiology and digital mammography. In addition, a telestroke system will be installed at Wayne Memorial Hospital that provides real-time links to specialist neurologists at the Geisinger Center in Danville.

Matching Funds: \$351,749

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$127,543

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania

County: Mifflin

Congressman, District: PA 5 - G.T. Thompson

Senators: Robert P. Casey Jr., Patrick J. Toomey

Recipient: Lewistown Hospital

Recipient Contact: Mr. Ronald Cowan

Mailing Address: 400 Highland Avenue, Lewistown, PA 17044

Telephone: (717)-242-7218

Project Description: RUS funds will add teleradiology equipment at the Lewistown Hospital's Belleville office so that readings can be done remotely at Lewistown. Equipment will also be added at the Lewistown site to accommodate the additional equipment at Belleville. In addition, the project will give medical professionals in Belleville remote access to current and historic case images on file in Lewistown.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:

Matching Funds: \$127,925

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$104,033

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania

County: PA: Armstrong, Blair, Cambria, Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Fulton, Greene, Huntingdon, Indiana, McKean, Potter, Somerset, Warren

Congressman, District: PA 3 - Mike Kelly; PA 5 - G. T. Thompson; PA 9 - Bill Shuster; PA 12 - Mark Critz

Senators: Robert P. Casey Jr., Patrick J. Toomey

Recipient: Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania

Recipient Contact: Mr. Sean O'Brien

Mailing Address: 500 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15086

Telephone: (724)-772-7284

Project Description: This project will use RUS funds to establish a medical distance learning network centered at the Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania. The grant will fund hub video-conferencing equipment at the Hospital Council site to connect 15 rural hospitals and medical centers to the Hospital Council as well as to two other sources of medical distance learning in Johnstown and Pittsburgh. Among the types of distance learning to be provided are community health education and prevention classes. They will also provide continuing medical education for medical professionals including EMS volunteers.

Matching Funds: \$104,034

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$125,773

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania

County: Armstrong, 3rd & 12th Dists.; Blair, 9th Dist.; Clarion, Jefferson Potter, 5th Dist.; Clearfield, 5th & 9th Dists.; Fulton, 9th Dist.

Congressman, District: Kelly, 3rd Dist.; Thompson, 5th Dist.; Shuster, 9th Dist.; and Critz, 12th Dist.

Senators: Casey and Toomey

Recipient: UPMC

Recipient Contact: Ms. Megan G. Marks, PhD

Mailing Address: 600 Grant Street 58th Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15219-2739

Telephone: (412) 647-1660

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to enable patients at 8 rural medical facilities in north central Pennsylvania to link directly to UMPC specialists at 2 primary UMPC hubs to acquire surgical assessments and physician consultations. Rural physicians and healthcare providers at those rural facilities will be able to connect directly to specialists for consultation and to take part in medical seminars and training.

Matching Funds: \$127,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$157,300

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania and New York

County: **PA:** Erie 3rd and Union, 10th Dist.
NY: Chautauqua, 27th Dist.

Congressman, District: **PA:** Kelly, 3rd Dist. and Marino, 10th Dist.
NY: Higgins, 27th Dist.

Senators: **PA:** Casey and Toomey **NY:** Schumer and Gillibrand

Recipient: Saint Vincent Health Center Foundation

Recipient Contact: Mr. Philip C. Wolford

Mailing Address: 232 West 25th Street, Erie, PA 16544

Telephone: (814) 452-5766

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to upgrade an expansion of an existing telemedicine system, extending the services to 3 more hospitals associated with Saint Vincent. The project will upgrade the system's central control equipment to build the capacity and interoperability needed to accommodate for the expansion.

Matching Funds: \$157,302

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$254,486

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Carolina

County: SC: Williamsburg

Congressman, District: SC 6 - James Clyburn

Senators: Jim DeMint, Lindsey Graham

Recipient: Williamsburg Regional Hospital

Recipient Contact: Mr. Mitch Monsour

Mailing Address: 500 Nelson Boulevard, Kingstree, SC 29556

Telephone: (843)-355-8888

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will be the first of its kind in the area bringing cardiac health services with direct physician consultation to residents in Williamsburg County through telemedicine. The partnership created between the Carolinas Hospital System and Williamsburg Regional Hospital (WRC) will not only provide rural residents with preventive cardiac screenings and vastly improved cardiac care, but also serve to support the local healthcare providers with new interactive digital connections to specialists and electronic resources at major metropolitan hospitals.

Matching Funds: \$127,693

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$438,561

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Dakota / North Dakota / Iowa

County: SD: Brookings, Charles Mix, Hand, Kingsbury, Moody, Yankton.
IA: Dickinson, Osceola, Sioux. ND: McIntosh

Congressman, District: SD At Large - Stephanie Herseth-Sandlin; ND At Large - Earl Pomeroy, NE 3 - Adrian Smith; IA 5 - Steve King

Senators: Tim Johnson, John Thune

Recipient: Avera-Health-1

Recipient Contact: Ms. Rachael Sherard

Mailing Address: 3900 West Avera Drive
Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Telephone: (605)-322-4725

Project Description: Ten rural hospitals serving 10 counties in this 3-state region will be implementing a RUS-funded telemedicine and distance learning consortium, with the primary purpose of enhancing their emergency service capabilities through telecommunications technology. Equipment and instruments such as mobile video systems, telephonic stethoscopes, examination cameras, digital mammography, e-pharmacy automated dispensing units, and other equipment will be installed and connected throughout the consortium. Medical training will be deployed to help build a larger cadre of healthcare professionals in these frontier areas.

Previous Funding: FY 2008 / 2009::

Matching Funds: \$447,418

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$447,734

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Dakota, North Dakota and Iowa

County: **SD:** Brookings, Charles Mix, Hand, Kingsbury, Yankton, and Moody, 1st Dist. **ND:** McIntosh, 1st Dist.
IA: Dickinson, Osceola, and Sioux, 5th Dist.

Congressman, District: **SD:** Noem, 1st Dist. **ND:** Berg, 1st Dist
IA: King, 5th Dist.

Senators: **SD:** Johnson and Thune **ND:** Conrad and Hoeven
IA: Grassley and Harkin

Recipient: Avera Health-2

Recipient Contact: Ms. Rachael Sherard

Mailing Address: 3900 West Avera Drive
: Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Telephone: (605) 322-4725

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Avera Health to expand their services to tele-health specialty consultations, tele-radiology, e-ICU, e-pharmacy, and e-emergency care to ten small rural clinics to 3 extremely rural areas of South Dakota, North Dakota and Iowa. Services as common in urbanized areas as a dermatologist appointment will be available to the rural communities in these service areas. The project will also broaden the reach of the emergency departments and access to medical resources connected to the network.

Previous Funding: FY 2008:/ FY 2009:

Matching Funds: \$430,728

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$220,878

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Dakota / North Dakota / Minnesota / Iowa

County: SD: Brookings, Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Davison, Clay, Faulk, Grant, Gregory, Hand, Hughes, Hutchinson, Jerauld, Kingsbury, Lake, Marshall, McCook, McPherson, Miner, Minnehaha, Moody, Roberts, Spink, Tripp, Yankton IA: Brown, Dickinson, Emmett, Lyon, Osceola, Sioux MN: Sioux, Cottonwood, Lincoln, Nobles, Pipestone, McIntosh ND: Holt

Congressman, District: SD At Large - Kristi Noem; IA-4, Tom Latham; IA-5, Steve King; MN-1, Tim Walz; MN-7, Collin Peterson; NE-3, Adrian Smith; ND At Large Earl Pomeroy

Senators: Tim Johnson, John Thune

Recipient: Avera Health-3

Recipient Contact: Ms. Rachael Sherard

Mailing Address: 3900 West Avera Drive, Sioux Falls, SD

Telephone: (605)-322-4725

Project Description: RUS will fund the eConsult telemedicine project which will expand an existing system to connect 51 end-users to 20 Avera specialty clinic sites. Among the specialties that will be available to the rural end-users are oncology, pediatrics, neonatology, endocrinology and gynecology. The consultations will be conducted via the funded video-conferencing equipment. In particular, this program extends the reach of these services to Native American communities, elderly residents, and to the more isolated rural residents typically without access to specialty care.

Previous Funding: FY 2008 / 2009

Matching Funds: \$225,061

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$480,639

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: TN: Overton, Putnam

Congressman, District: TN 6 - Diane Black

Senators: Lamar Alexander, Bob Corker

Recipient: Putnam County Board of Education

Recipient Contact: Dr. Sandra Koczwar

Mailing Address: 1400 East Spring Street, Cookeville, TN 38506-4313

Telephone: (931)-526-9777

Project Description: With RUS funds Putnam County will expand their distance learning system to form a collaborative distance learning video network connecting their system with Overton County Schools and Nashville State Community College. The project will bring new resources and connectivity to schools, especially needed where overall student performance has been low. The system will be further leveraged during after-school hours, when specialized courses, such as health and personal finances, will be offered to all community residents.

Previous Funding: FY 2009:

Matching Funds: \$240,549

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$500,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: TN: Houston, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Monroe, Shelby

Congressman, District: TN 2 - Jimmy Duncan; TN 4 - Scott DesJarlais; TN 8 - Stephen Fincher

Senators: Lamar Alexander, Bob Corker

Recipient: Memphis Zoo

Recipient Contact: Dr. Helen Marie Beady

Mailing Address: 2000 Prentiss Place, Memphis, TN 38112

Telephone: (901)-333-6610

Project Description: The Memphis Zoo grant will deploy a RUS-funded distance learning system to expand their science and math program to 14 schools in various counties of rural Tennessee. Their innovative program “NanoZoo Connects” will introduce nanotechnology education to these rural students, bringing about a ‘leapfrog effect’ in the offering of science and advanced biology education and leading them to careers in 21st Century technology.

Matching Funds: \$250,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$497,438

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: TN: Greene, Hancock, Hawkings, Sullivan VA: Wise

Congressman, District: TN 1 - Phil Roe; VA 9 - Morgan Griffith

Senators: Lamar Alexander, Bob Corker

Recipient: Wellmont Foundation

Recipient Contact: Mr. Todd Norris

Mailing Address: 1905 American Way, Suite 102, Kingsport, TN 37660

Telephone: (423)-230-8556

Project Description: This RUS-funded project implements a mobile interactive videoconferencing system extending the services of cardiology, trauma care, and medical education from East Tennessee State University and Holston Valley Medical Center to 8 rural hospitals in the mountainous northeast corner of Tennessee and southwestern Virginia. The largest care facility will acquire two distance learning classrooms for nurse education and a variety of continuing medical education. The telemedicine technology will allow cardiology and trauma patients to be examined and treated locally.

Matching Funds: \$250,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$489,171

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: Carroll, Decatur, Gibson, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Weakley

Congressman, District: TN 7 - Marsha Blackburn; TN 8 - Stephen Finder

Senators: Lamar Alexander, Bob Corker

Recipient: Jackson State Community College

Recipient Contact: Mr. Patrick Davis

Mailing Address: 2046 North Parkway, Jackson, TN 38301-3722

Telephone: (731)-424-3520

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will extend the educational reach of Jackson State Community College. The project will be installing 1st time video teleconferencing systems to 8 high schools in central and west Tennessee, outfitting several distance learning classrooms at the college and upgrading its bridging capabilities to accommodate the new sites, including new distance learning facilities at its 4 satellite campuses that stretch out into 14 rural counties.

Matching Funds: \$245,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$343,580

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: TN: Gibson, Lauderdale, Obion, Tipton

Congressman, District: TN 8 - John S. Tanner

Senators: Lamar Alexander, Bob Corker

Recipient: Dyersburg State Community College

Recipient Contact: Ms. Diane Camper

Mailing Address: 1510 Lake Road, Dyersburg, TN 38024

Telephone: (731)-286-3338

Project Description: RUS will fund video-conferencing equipment to connect the main campus of Dyersburg Community College with two rural branch campuses and six rural high schools. Through this system the College will offer scheduled courses, dual-enrollment courses, independent study, and tutoring. The system will also allow the high schools to share course and faculty resources. In addition to college and secondary education, the project will provide affordable workforce training and increased resources for special needs students.

Matching Funds: \$172,000

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$441,954

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: TN: Bledsoe, Loudon, Sequatchie, Van Buren

Congressman, District: TN 2 - John J. Duncan Jr.; TN 3 - Chuck Fleischmann; TN 4 - Scott DesJarlais

Senators: Lamar Alexander, Bob Corker

Recipient: Bledsoe County Schools / B3 RUS Grant Consortium

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Barbara A. Young

Mailing Address: 478 Spring Street, Pikeville, TN 37367

Telephone: (423) 447-2914

Project Description: RUS-funded video teleconferencing classrooms will be installed and linked together among 14 schools in this 4-county area of eastern central Tennessee. By sharing courses between schools and introducing new academic programming, the B3 RUS Grant Consortium will provide students in these mountainous communities with unprecedented access to higher education coursework, continuing education programs and vocational programs.

Matching Funds: \$222,452

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$446,176

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: TX: Coryell, Lampasas, Llano, McCulloch, Mills, San Saba

Congressman, District: TX 11 - Mike Conaway; TX 17 - Bill Flores

Senators: John Cornyn, Kay Bailey Hutchison

Recipient: Info-Net Consortium, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Peggy York

Mailing Address: 1509 Hanna Valley Road, Goldthwaite, TX 76844
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Telephone: (325)-938-9868

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will build on an older distance learning network, which links 10 schools and encompasses 3,000 square miles in central rural Texas. The schools will modernize their equipment to achieve better interoperability with and state-of-the-art video teleconferencing equipment at the schools, and management control and bridging equipment at the hub. Info-Net will increase the availability of math education, job training courses and seminars, innovative programs for special education teachers, and credit recovery program for ESL students. The system will also provide greater access for community residents, for whom the local school serves as a public library, community center and cornerstone for continuous learning.

Matching Funds: \$233,237

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$224,082

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: TX: Denton, Erath, Hood, Johnson, Somervell

Congressman, District: TX 17 - Bill Flores; TX 26 - Michael C. Burgess; TX 31 - John Carter

Senators: John Cornyn, Kay Bailey Hutchison

Recipient: Education Service Center Region XI

Recipient Contact: Ms. Laurie Hogle

Mailing Address: 3001 North Freeway, Fort Worth, TX 76106
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Telephone: (817)-740-3620

Project Description: This is a distance learning project aimed at upgrading and expanding the Region XI distance learning system that brings quality education to 200 sites in rural north Texas. This expansion focuses on 1) increased access to new content, experiences and instructional material; 2) improved mobility of new video equipment to maximize the impact and efficiency of each video unit per school; and 3) increased capacity to offer specialized content, customized for specific localities or audience types.

Matching Funds: \$144,168

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$415,453

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: Brown, Coke, Coleman, Crockett, Edwards, Irion, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, San Saba, Schleicher, Sterling, Tom Green

Congressman, District: TX 11 - Mike Conaway; TX 17 - Bill Flores; TX 21 - Lamar S. Smith; TX 23 - Fransisco Canseco

Senators: John Cornyn, Kay Bailey Hutchison

Recipient: Education Service Center, Region XV

Recipient Contact: Mr. Randon Lance

Mailing Address: 612 South Irene Street, San Angelo, TX 76903

Telephone: (325)-481-4081

Project Description: Education Service Center, Region XV project will connect 28 schools over a territory of 25,000 square miles. The video teleconferencing system will link with Hill Country Alternative Resolution Center to provide peer mediation services and counseling. Core and advanced curriculum, professional development for teachers, mentoring programs and collaboration tools will be offered in this vast distance learning network serving over 9,000 students, teachers and residents.

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Matching Funds: \$200,746

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$491,250

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: TX: Bosque, Bowie, Falls, Hill, Limestone, McLennan, Mills, Navarro

Congressman, District: TX 5 - Jeb Hensarling; TX 6 - Joe Barton; TX 11 - Mike Conaway; TX 17 - Bill Flores; TX 24 - Kenny Marchant; TX 31 - John Carter

Senators: John Cornyn, Kay Bailey Hutchison

Recipient: Education Service Center Region 12

Recipient Contact: Dr. Jerry G. Maze

Mailing Address: 2101 W. Loop 340, Waco, TX 76702-3409

Telephone: (254)-297-1213

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will provide distance learning and job advancement courses at 21 schools located in 9 central Texas counties. With some schools receiving video teleconferencing systems for the 1st time, each school is challenged to meet mandated course offerings, which this system will carry. Higher education opportunities, professional development and virtual field trips will now become a reality for students who, up till now, have attended school in electronic isolation.

Matching Funds: \$208,520

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$155,769

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: TX: Burleson, Houston, Madison, Montgomery, Polk, Trinity

Congressman, District: TX 6 - Joe Barton; TX 8 - Kevin Brady; TX 17 - Bill Flores

Senators: John Cornyn, Kay Bailey Hutchison

Recipient: Education Service Center, Region VI

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Barbara Solow

Mailing Address: 3332 Montgomery Rd, Huntsville, TX 77340-6499

Telephone: (936)-435-8273

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will bring distance learning to 17 schools in north central Texas. The system will provide credit and enrichment courses that fill completion requirements, instructional programming brought in from resources outside of the network, postsecondary courses for community college and university degree programs, and professional development for both teachers and community residents. With these increased offerings, the educational service center strives to create new job opportunities, and to improve teacher recruitment and retention.

Matching Funds: \$79,442

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$52,846

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: TX: Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Swisher

Congressman, District: TX 13 - Mac Thornberry; TX 19 - Randy Neugebauer

Senators: John Cornyn, Kay Bailey Hutchison

Recipient: CC Home Health Lubbock LLC

Recipient Contact: Mr. Shane Ahlers

Mailing Address: 705 W 6th Street, Plainview, TX 79072-6239

Telephone: (817)-310-1100

Project Description: With RUS DLT funds Cuidado Casero Home Health will acquire 34 telehealth monitors and a corresponding base platform which will be placed in patients' homes within the company's service territory of 6 counties in northwest Texas. The telehealth monitors will be customized to each patient's condition, and will transmit vital signs and serve as a connection point for nurses to evaluate and interact with patients at a distance. The monitors also have several language options, a critical feature for this multi-ethnic region.

Matching Funds: \$55,004

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$298,043

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Utah

County: UT: Beaver, Daggett, Duchesne, Grand, Juab, Salt Lake, San Juan, Sanpete

Congressman, District: UT 2 - Jim Matheson; UT 3 - Jason Chaffetz

Senators: Orrin G. Hatch, Mike Lee

Recipient: University of Utah

Recipient Contact: Mr. Michael Dickman

Mailing Address: 75 South 2000 East Room 211, Salt Lake City, UT 84112
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Telephone: (801)-585-6201

Project Description: With RUS DLT funds, the University of Utah's Health Science Center and Health Care will be offering clinical telemedicine and education to eight hospitals, four clinics and three health centers. Some of the benefits for the rural residents are acute stroke intervention, cardiovascular specialty care and diabetes patient education. The video conferencing equipment will allow training and professional classes for the health care providers in the rural areas.

Matching Funds: \$100,200

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The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$142,244

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Utah /Arizona

County: Navaho

Congressman, District: UT-2, Chris Matheson; AZ-1, Rick Renzi; AZ-2, Trent Franks

Senators: UT: Jon Kyl, John McCain; AZ: Orrin G. Hatch, Mike Lee;

Recipient: University of Utah-2

Recipient Contact: Mr. William Ernest

Mailing Address: 1471 East Federal Way, Salt Lake City, UT 84102-1821

Telephone: (801)-581-4714

Project Description: With RUS DLT funds the University of Utah will be installing video conferencing equipment at Northland Pioneer College-Hopi Arizona Center and Northland Pioneer College connected to the University of Utah, and to be used by students from the Apache and Hopi Reservations. Professional training in critical needs such as child welfare, juvenile justice, geriatric support, mental health, school counseling, family support, and domestic violence will help to build a trained and credentialed Native American faculty at identified institutions and increase the number of mental health professionals in the medical institutions serving at the reservations.

Matching Funds: \$21,337

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$471,347

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Utah / Colorado

County: UT: San Juan CO: Archuleta, Montezuma

Congressman, District: UT 2 - Jim Matheson; CO 3 - Scott Tipton

Senators: UT: Orrin G. Hatch, Mike Lee; CO: Michael Bennet, Mark Udall

Recipient: College of Eastern Utah

Recipient Contact: Ms. Heather Merry Young

Mailing Address: 639 W 100 S, Blanding, UT 84511

Telephone: (435)-678-8128

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will connect five rural community sites, such as an Education Center, a school, and a hospital, to the College of Eastern Utah. The focus of the project is to train health care workers to provide services to the Ute Mountain Ute tribe of Towaoc, CO and White Mesa, UT as well as the residents of Pagosa Springs, CO. In addition, the equipment will be used to for professional development and distance learning for community residents.

Matching Funds: \$305,382

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$144,274

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Utah / Arizona

County: AZ: Coconino, Piute, Sevier, Tooele UT: Garfield, Iron, Juab, Kane, Millard, Sanpete, Washington, Wayne

Congressman, District: AZ 1 - Paul Gasar; UT-2 - Jim Matheson; UT- 3 Jason Chaffetz

Senators: AZ: Jon Kyl, John McCain; UT:Orrin G. Hatch, Mike Lee

Recipient: Southwest Educational Development Center (SEDC)

Recipient Contact: Mr. Randy Johnson

Mailing Address: 520 West 800 South, Cedar City, UT 84720

Telephone: (435)-586-2865

Project Description: This project will connect eleven elementary schools and their six district offices to the resource centers at Southwest Educational Development Center and the Utah Education Network. Using this RUS-funded video-conferencing equipment, the main purpose of the eReach project is to support high-needs students and their teachers through real-time interactions with specialist who are distantly located in the districts and at the various resource centers. The specialists' fields include occupational and physical therapy, special education, and autism - as well as regular academic subjects.

Matching Funds: \$63,900

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$215,199

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Virginia

County: Essex, Gloucester, Richmond, 1st Dist.; and Northhampton, 2nd Dist.

Congressman, District: Wittman, 1st Dist. and Rigell, 2nd Dist.

Senators: Webb and Warner

Recipient: Northern Neck Middle Peninsula Telehealth Consortium

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Edie McRee Bowles

Mailing Address: 520 West 800 South, Tappahannock, VA 22560

Telephone: (804) 443-6286

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Northern Neck Middle Peninsula Telehealth Consortium to increase patient access to health care in the Northern Neck of eastern Virginia. The Peninsula has a significant elderly population and has many rivers and estuaries, not least of which is the Chesapeake Bay, impeding travel to hospitals where there are specialists. This project will provide video and data connectivity between five rural health clinics on the Peninsula and physicians at the Riverside Tappahanac Hospital, also connectig to other more urban hospitals in Newport News.

Matching Funds: \$161,401

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$129,530

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Virginia

County: Carroll, Grayson, Floyd, Patrick, and Wythe, 9th Dist.

Congressman, District: Griffith, 9th Dist.

Senators: Webb and Warner

Recipient: Twin County Regional Healthcare, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Jana Pobrislo

Mailing Address: 200 Hospital Drive, Galax, VA 24333

Telephone: (276) 236-1727

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Twin County Regional Healthcare, Inc. to implement a home monitoring telemedicine system which will track a patient's health condition and report daily vital statistics. Rural residents in this 5-county coverage area will have access to virtual home care with the system, while lowering costs due to transportation and inefficiencies.

Matching Funds: \$39,500

The Rural Utilities Service approved a grant of \$163,940

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Vermont

County: Windham, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: Welch, 1st Dist.

Senators: Leahy and Sanders

Recipient: Windham Northeast Supervisory Union

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Johnanna L. Harpster

Mailing Address: 25 Cherry Street, Bellows Falls, VT 05101

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Telephone: (802) 463-9958

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to equip 3 school districts in Windham County with distance learning equipment including portable video conferencing systems and interactive white boards. The collaborative nature of the system facilitates the sharing of each school's faculty and other academic resources, which will kick-start the process of overcoming problems of isolation and low enrollment for the 8 schools in this Green Mountain area of southwestern Vermont.

Matching Funds: \$82,956

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$319,989

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Vermont and New Hampshire

County: **VT:** Franklin and Orleans, 1st Dist.
NH: Grafton, 2nd Dist.

Congressman, District: **VT:** Welch, 1st Dist. **NH:** Bass, 2nd Dist.

Senators: **VT:** Leahy and Sanders **NH:** Shaheen and Ayotte

Recipient: South Burlington School District / South Burlington Distance Learning Consortium

Recipient Contact: Mr. John K. Stewart

Mailing Address: 500 Dorset Street
: South Burlington, VT 05403

Telephone: (802) 652-7052

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by South Burlington School District to equip 13 rural schools with video teleconferencing equipment and to establish the bridging capabilities connecting South Burlington Schools to Champlain College and to the Teen Lures Prevention program. This video educational network will facilitate the expansion of academic classes, and the implementation of the District's child/teen sexual crime prevention program.

Matching Funds: \$162,447

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$487,148

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: WA

County: WA: Chelan, Klickitat, Okanogan

Congressman, District: WA 4 - Richard N. Hastings; WA 5 - Cathy McMorris Rodgers

Senators: Maria Cantwell, Patty Murray

Recipient: Lake Chelan Community Hospital

Recipient Contact: Ms. Barbara Engstrom

Mailing Address:: 503 E Highland Ave Chelan, WA 98816-8631

Telephone: 509-421-0619

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will expand and upgrade the current telemedicine network between four hospitals in rural Washington. The project will bring teleradiology, telestroke, telepharmacy, telecardiology and other services to geographically isolated rural residents. Modernization of this system, with new telemedical equipment and bridging capabilities will step up the impetus to attract, train and retain medical professionals, another critical factor in rural medical care..

Matching Funds: \$487,160

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$309,368

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Washington

County: Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific

Congressman, District: WA 3 - Brian Baird, WA 6 - Norman Dicks

Senators: Maria Cantwell, Patty Murray

Recipient: Providence St. Peter Hospital / South Puget Sound Telestroke

Recipient Contact: Ms. Jocelyn Shelley Moore

Mailing Address: 413 Lilly Road
Olympia, WA 98506-5133

Telephone: (360)-493-7839

Project Description: Providence St. Peter Hospital is the only accredited Primary Stroke Center in the Region. The RUS award will fund video-enabled equipment used to support a telestroke system thereby establishing a direct connect between rural physicians and neurologists at Providence St. Peter. This will facilitate emergency face-to-face video-teleconferencing and enable the physicians to confidentially share diagnostic images of the brain. Six rural hospitals will participate as end-users.

Matching Funds: \$132,600

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$176,877

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Wisconsin

County: Columbia, 2nd Dist.; Juneau, 3rd Dist.; Adams, Marquette, 6th Dist.; and Portage, 7th Dist.

Congressman, District: Baldwin, 2nd Dist.; Kind, 3rd Dist.; Petri, 6th Dist.; and Duffy, 7th Dist.

Senators: Kohl and Johnson

Recipient: Cooperative Education Services Agency Number 5

Recipient Contact: Ms. Maureen Egan

Mailing Address: 626 East Slifer Street Portage, WI 53901

Telephone: (608) 742-8814

Project Description: RUS funds will be used to provide distance learning to Adams-Friendship High School, Almond Schools, Necedah Schools, Royall Schools, and Westfield Area High School located in rural South Central Wisconsin. The video conferencing equipment will help expand course offerings, such as core curriculum, language, and advanced placement classes. In addition, other elective high school courses and dual credit college courses can be offered.

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Matching: \$88,530

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$255,597

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Wisconsin

County: Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Eau Claire, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Lafayette, Rock, Sauk

Congressman, District: WI 1 - Paul Ryan, WI 2 - Tammy Baldwin, WI 3 - Ron Kind, WI 5 - Jim Sensenbrenner, WI 6 - Thomas E. Petri

Senators: Ronald Johnson, Herb Kohl

Recipient: The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System

Recipient Contact: Ms. Cheryl Gest

Mailing Address: 21 N. Park St, Suite 6401
Madison, WI 53715-1218

Telephone: (608)-262-4880

Project Description: This RUS-funded project will equip a van provided by the applicant outside of the grant process with mobile mammography and video conferencing capability. The van will provide mammograms at 10 rural University of Wisconsin Health Clinics and 8 rural public library sites. The experience of others who have offered only screening exams via a mobile system is that it has been difficult to provide follow-up. This project will provide both screening and diagnostic mammograms. In addition, health information will be provided through the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

Matching Funds \$255,599

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$486,707

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Wisconsin and Michigan

County: **WI:** Langlade, Oneida, 7th & 8th Dists.; Price, Taylor, 7th Dist.;
Forest and Vilas, 8th Dist.
MI: Houghton and Ontonagon, 1st Dist.

Congressman, District: **WI:** Duffy, 7th Dist. and Ribble, 8th Dist.
MI: Benishek, 1st Dist.

Senators: **WI:** Kohl and Johnson, Herb
MI: Levin and Stabenow

Recipient: Aspirus Health Foundation, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Peggy Carrier-Diemer

Mailing Address: 425 Pine Ridge Blvd.
Wausau, WI 54401

Telephone: (719) 683-2700

Project Description: RUS funds will be to finance a comprehensive senior health care telemedical system to serve 14 Wisconsin Counties and 2 Upper Peninsula (UP) counties of Michigan. It will connect 7-hospital hub sites, including major hospitals and Clinics in Marathon County to rural hospitals and clinics throughout rural northeastern Wisconsin and the UP. By installing and connecting desktop video systems and health management software at all sites, rural residents (especially seniors) in these northern communities will have access to specialized care in heart and vascular disease, endocrinology, and in women's and senior health matters.

Matching Funds: \$506,568

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$110,438

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: West Virginia

County: Clay, Mason, 2nd Dist.; Boone, Lincoln, and Wayne, 3rd Dist.

Congressman, District: Capito, 2nd Dist. and Rahall, 3rd Dist.

Senators: Rockefeller and Manchin

Recipient: Prestera Center for Mental Health Services

Recipient Contact: Mr. Robert H. Hansen

Mailing Address: 21 N. Park St, Suite 6401 Huntington, WV 25705
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Telephone: (304) 399-1133

Project Description: RUS funds will be used by Prestera Center for Mental Health Services to install a video teleconferencing and behavioral health management system that will provide behavioral health and substance abuse services to rural residents in six West Virginia counties. This project will allow patients to receive medical care from doctors within their own homes, as opposed to driving long distances, and will allow health professionals to better manage their cases, and to reach more patients in these rural and mountainous communities.

Matching Funds: \$47,166

The Rural Utilities Service has approved a grant of \$495,602

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Wyoming / Washington

County: WY: Carbon, Fremont, Sheridan. WA: Grays Harbor

Congressman, District: WY At Large, Cynthia Lummis; WA 6 - Norman Dicks

Senators: John Barrasso, Michael B. Enzi

Recipient: Fremont County School District #38 / Arapahoe Elementary RUS-DLT Informal Consortium

Recipient Contact: Mr. John D. Law

Mailing Address: 445 Little Wind River Bottom
Arapahoe, WY 82510

Telephone: (307)-856-9333

Project Description: This western distance learning project will span across the Northwest from the Wind River Reservation and other Indian communities in Wyoming to the Quinault Reservation and nearby communities on the Olympic Peninsula of Washington State. RUS will fund this consortium of 6 schools for video conferencing equipment and Web based tools to help bring educational opportunities to a new level - for all residents in these respective communities. With these new linkages, programs such as NASA Explorer Schools and other innovative outside programming can be shared, and new collaborative synergies can be established geared to Native American interests and culture.

Matching Funds: \$390,211

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