



Field Contact: Dominic Henderson

Phone: 218-765-3854

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$365,968

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Minnesota

Counties: St. Louis, Aitkin, Cook, Crow Wing, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, and Cass

Congressman, District: Rick Nolan (D) – 8th district

Senators: Amy Klobuchar (D), and Al Franken (D)

Recipient: Education Innovation Partners Cooperative Center

Recipient Contact: Mr. Joseph E. Silko, Executive Director

Mailing Address: 1515 East 25th Street
Hibbing, Minnesota 55746

Email Address: JSilko.eip@gmail.com

Telephone: 218-262-7235

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide for a distance learning project that will directly benefit over 4800 students and over 200 teachers per year reflecting on a philosophy of “students first” by offering expanded high school courses to educationally disadvantaged students, access to college courses, access to enrichment opportunities, including music lessons, cultural preservation activities and other learning experiences that are currently unavailable to the rural communities. It will also nurture the professional development and the establishment of professional learning communities among teachers to ensure the delivery of high quality education. This project includes 24 sites with one site on the

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Bois Fore Indian Reservation.

Other Funding:	\$182,987 (cash match)
Total Project Cost:	\$548,955

Field Contact: Chris Collins
Phone: 573-445-0765
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 318,066

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Illinois

County: Winnebago, McDonough, Christian, Caroll, Marquette, Campbell, Boone

Congressman, District: Lipinski-3rd; Roskam-6th, Davis-13th, Kinzinger- 16th, Bustos-17th, LaHood-18th

Senators: Durbin, Kirk

Recipient: Bushnell-Prairie City District #170

Recipient Contact: Ms. Kathy Dinger, Superintendent

Mailing Address: 845 North Walnut Street, Bushnell, Illinois, 61422

Email Address: dingerk@bpcschools.org

Telephone: (309) 772 - 9461

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a distance learning network between 2 offices of the Boone-Winnebago Regional Office of Education in Illinois and 17 elementary schools located in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Tennessee. The project will help students in rural areas to improve their reading and math skills in order to meet state core standards. The project will allow teachers and staff to promote high quality instruction through customized and comprehensive professional development opportunities. In addition,

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the project will help ensure the effective implementation and approach to interventions to learning and behavioral challenges. Eight of the 17 schools are located within a Strike-Force county.

Other Funding:	\$222,112
Total Project Cost:	\$540,178



Field Contact: Michael L. Becker

Phone: (972) 780-7832

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$263,384

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oklahoma

County: Atoka, Bryan, Choctaw, Coal, Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore, McCurtain, Pittsburg, and Pushmataha

Congressman, District: Markwayne Mullin, 2nd

Senators: James “Jim” Inhofe & James Lankford

Recipient: Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Recipient Contact: John Wallace, Technical Support Manager

Mailing Address: 529 North 16th Avenue, Durant, Oklahoma 74701-3610

Email Address: jtwallace@choctawnation.com

Telephone: (580) 924-8280

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase innovative video conferencing equipment for educational initiatives to 30 schools in a projected named “*Holbvt toba Aianumpuli*” (Talking TV). This project will help preserve the Choctaw language and culture through distance learning and live demonstrations of social dancing, as well as bead and basket making. Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma meets all three Special Consideration areas of Tribal, Strike-Force and Promise Zone.

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Other Funding:	\$134,621 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$398,005



Field Contact: Pat Carey
Phone: (704) 896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$60,864

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: North Carolina

County: Beaufort

Congressman, District: George Butterfield, Jr., NC 1st Dist; Walter Jones, Jr., NC 3rd Dist.

Senators: Richard Burr, Thom Tillis

Recipient: Beaufort County Board of Education

Recipient Contact: Mark Mehlich

Mailing Address: 321 Smaw Rd. Washington, NC 27889-3937

Email Address: mmehlich@beaufort.k12.nc.us

Telephone: (252) 946-4086

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to replace/upgrade 10 year old distance learning equipment at three rural high schools in Beaufort County, a USDA-designated Strike Force county. The new video teleconferencing equipment will ensure the continuation of college-level course offerings from Beaufort County Community College to the rural high schools in Beaufort County.

Other Funding: \$47,628

Total Project Cost: \$108,492

Field Contact: Kenrick (Rick) Gordon
Phone: (717) 761-3280
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 421,925

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

States: Pennsylvania and South Carolina

Counties: Crawford, Erie, Forest & Venango (PA)
York (SC)

Congressman, District: Mike Kelly, PA-3
Glenn Thompson, PA-5
Michael Mulvaney, SC-5

Senators: Robert Casey Jr. (PA) Lindsey Graham (SC)
Patrick Toomey (PA) Tim Scott (SC)

Recipient: Titusville Area School District

Recipient Contact: Karen Jez, Superintendent

Mailing Address: 301 East Spruce Street, Titusville, PA 16354

Email Address: kjez@gorockets.org

Telephone: 814-827-2715

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a distance learning network that connects instructors at Edinboro University to students in eleven rural K-12 schools in northwest Pennsylvania as well as the cultural center on the Catawba Indian Reservation (Tribal Area) in South Carolina. The three school districts participating in this DLT project will also be able to share teacher resources among their schools and across district lines.

Other Funding: \$ 413,287

Total Project Cost: \$ 835,212



Field Contact: Ron Mellon
Phone: (989) 567-2400
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$137,010

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Michigan

County: Isabella, Saginaw, Clare, Houghton, Lake, Mackinac, Lapeer, Gratiot, Huron, Ostego, Tuscola, Baraga

Congressman, District: Benishek-1st, Moolenaar-4th, Kildee-5th, Miller-10th

Senators: Stabenow, Peters

Recipient: Central Michigan University- College of Medicine

Recipient Contact: Mr. Rick Middleton, Research & Program Officer

Mailing Address: Foust 251, Mount Pleasant, Michigan 48859-000

Email Address: Middl1r@cmich.edu

Telephone: 989-774-7716

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to expand an existing distance learning network to an additional 12 currently unserved rural clinics in Michigan. Of these 12 one (the Kbic Clinic on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community) serves a tribal area. The project will enable CMU College of Medicine to offer community based training in rural areas to its medical students. This will help increase the number of physicians practicing in rural areas of Michigan of which there is a shortage. In addition, the project will allow existing rural physicians to take continuing medical education courses from the

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College of Medicine to enhance healthcare in these areas.

Other Funding:	\$68,653
Total Project Cost:	\$205,663



Field Contact: Michael Becker

Phone: (972) 780-7832

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$208,616.66

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oklahoma

Counties: Delaware, Kingfisher, Lincoln, Love, Mayes, McCurtain, McIntosh, Oklahoma, Okmulgee, Roger Mills, Rogers, Sequoyah, and Tillman

Congressman, District: Markwayne Mullin, 2nd; Frank Lucas, 3rd; Tom Cole, 4th; and Steve Russell, 5th

Senators: James “Jim” Inhofe & James Lankford

Recipient: Epic Charter School

Recipient Contact: J. Scot Trower, Assistant Superintendent

Mailing Address: 4101 NW 122nd Street, Suite B, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73120

Email Address: scot.trower@epiccharterschools.org

Telephone: (405) 749-4550

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment for eight schools and six libraries. Services provided include literacy intervention and enrichment, teacher professional development, parent outreach programs, foreign language instruction, and virtual field trips. Benefits include mitigation of teacher shortages, greater educational opportunities, college and career readiness programs, and supporting academic achievement and rural school sustainability. Epic Charter Schools has a Tribal end-user site at Wyandotte Nation.

Other Funding: \$208,854.34

Total Project Cost: \$417,471.00

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Field Contact: Michael Becker

Phone: (972) 780-7832

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$209,277.38

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oklahoma

Counties: Delaware, Kingfisher, Lincoln, Love, Mayes, McCurtain, McIntosh, Oklahoma, Okmulgee, Roger Mills, Rogers, Sequoyah, and Tillman

Congressman, District: Jim Bridenstine, 1st; Markwayne Mullin, 2nd; Frank Lucas, 3rd; Tom Cole, 4th; and Steve Russell, 5th

Senators: James “Jim” Inhofe & James Lankford

Recipient: Epic Charter School

Recipient Contact: J. Scot Trower, Assistant Superintendent

Mailing Address: 4101 NW 122nd Street, Suite B, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73120

Email Address: scot.trower@epiccharterschools.org

Telephone: (405) 749-4550

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment for five schools, four libraries, and the Wyandotte Nation. Services provided include literacy intervention and enrichment, teacher professional development, EOI and ACT test preparation, parent outreach programs, foreign language instruction, and virtual field trips. Benefits include mitigation of teacher shortages, greater educational opportunities, college and career readiness programs, and supporting academic achievement and rural school sustainability. Epic Charter Schools has a Tribal end-user site at Wyandotte Nation.

Other Funding: \$209,626.62

Total Project Cost: \$418,904.00

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Field Contact: William Vogt
Phone: 318-640-1407
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$371,923

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: AR

County: Pulaski, Logan, Polk, Howard, Baxter, Carroll, Garland, Crawford, Franklin, Yell

Congressman, District: Rep. Eric "Rick" Crawford [R], AR-1
Rep. French Hill [R], AR-2
Rep. Steve Womack [R], AR-3
Rep. Bruce Westerman [R], AR-4

Senators: Sen. John Boozman [R] and Sen. Tom Cotton [R]

Recipient: Arkansas Children's Hospital

Recipient Contact: Shawn Harwell

Mailing Address: 1 Children's Way, Little Rock, AR 72202

Email Address: harwellsa@archildrens.org

Telephone: 501-364-7245

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to install real-time telemedicine mobile carts and peripherals in twenty-five (25) rural Arkansas schools which serve Strike-Force areas. This will enable students at each location to receive health care services from physicians at Arkansas Children's Hospital. Benefits to students at school include delivery of primary healthcare, flu and strep testing,

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specialty care, behavioral care, and chronic care such as asthma, diabetes, and administering medication.

Other Funding:	\$112,495
Total Project Cost	\$484,418



Field Contact: William H. Vogt

Phone: (318) 640-1407

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$270,210

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arkansas

County: Bradley, Desha, Jackson, Monroe, Poinsett, Pulaski, and Woodruff

Congressman, District: Eric "Rick" Crawford, 1st; French Hill, 2nd; and Bruce Westerman, 4th

Senators: John Boozman & Tom Cotton

Recipient: Arkansas Children's Hospital

Recipient Contact: Shawn Harwell

Mailing Address: 1 Children's Way, Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Email Address: harwellsa@archildrens.org

Telephone: (501) 364-7245

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a school-based telemedicine project serving 17 schools which serve Strike-Force areas. This project will bring needed health services to medically isolated and needy young people. Benefits to students at school include delivery of primary healthcare, flu and strep testing, specialty care, behavioral care, and chronic care such as asthma, diabetes, and administering medication.

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Other Funding:	\$ 81,796 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$352,006



Field Contact: Andre Boening
Phone: (402) 652-3446
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 134,348

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

States: Wisconsin and Alaska

Counties: Buffalo, Chippewa, Clark, Jackson, Marathon, & Rusk (WI)
Kenai Peninsula Borough (AK)

Congressman, District: Ron Kind, WI-3
Sean Duffy, WI-7
Don Young, AK-At Large

Senators: Ron Johnson (WI) Lisa Murkowski (AK)
Tammy Baldwin (WI) Dan Sullivan (AK)

Recipient: Cooperative Educational Service Agency No. 10

Recipient Contact: Michael Haynes, Administrator

Mailing Address: 725 West Park Avenue, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Email Address: mhaynes@cesa10.k12.wi.us

Telephone: 715-720-2079

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to extend distance learning capabilities to students at twelve rural K-12 schools in west-central Wisconsin. This DLT project builds upon an existing RUS-funded distance learning network that connects rural schools in Wisconsin as well as schools that serve the Kenaitze Indian Tribe in Alaska. The twelve school districts participating in this DLT project will be able to share teacher resources, educational content, and provide access to distance learning college classes from Chippewa Valley Technical College in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Other Funding: \$ 141,068

Total Project Cost: \$ 275,416



Field Contact: Pat Hemen
Phone: 605-968-1582
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$494,518

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota

County: Minnehaha, Knox, Kingsbury, Moody, Gregory, Hand, Hutchinson, Lincoln, Marshall, Grant, Pipestone, Charles Mix, Jerauld, Plymouth, Sioux, Bon Homme

Congressman, District: Kristi Noem, At-Large (SD); Steve King, District 4 (IA); Adrian Smith, District 3 (NE); Collin Peterson, District 7 (MN)

Senators: John Thune & Mike Rounds (SD); Charles Grassley & Joni Ernst (IA); Deb Fischer & Benjamin Sasse (NE); Amy Klobuchar & Alan Franken (MN)

Recipient: Avera Health

Recipient Contact: Rachael Sherard

Mailing Address: 3900 Avera Drive Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Email Address: Rachael.sherard@avera.org

Telephone: (605) 322-4725

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to integrate 18 rural, understaffed hospitals with Avera's ePharmacy network. A live pharmacist will provide prescription review & pharmacy support 24 hours a day. An automated dispensing machine will be deployed at each hospital to reduce medication errors & to improve patient safety. The project will serve in Strike Force counties.

Other Funding: \$504,409

Total Project Cost: \$998,927

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Field Contact: Terry Kokinda
Phone: (615) 451-9498
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 133,659

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

States: Tennessee and Virginia

Counties: Johnson, Unicoi & Washington (TN)
Dickenson, Russell, Smyth & Wise (VA)

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

Senators: Lamar Alexander (TN) Mark Warner (VA)
Bob Corker (TN) Timothy Kaine (VA)

Recipient: Mountain States Health Alliance

Recipient Contact: Alan M. Levin, President

Mailing Address: 400 N. State of Franklin Road, Johnson City, TN 37604

Email Address: levineam@msha.com

Telephone: 423-302-3423

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a telemedicine network that connects medical doctors to at Johnson City Medical Center to three hospitals in rural Tennessee and three hospitals in rural Virginia. These six rural hospitals will have increased access to medical specialties and critical care experts in areas such as neurology, medical reconciliation with pharmacy, infectious diseases, pulmonology, and interventional radiology. All participating hospitals in this DLT project are located in high poverty StrikeForce counties.

Other Funding: \$ 100,357

Total Project Cost: \$ 234,016

Field Contact: Ken Gordon
Phone: (717) 761-3280
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$327,466

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant
State: Maine
County: Lincoln, Knox
Congressman, District: Chellie Pingree ME-1st Dist.
Senators: Susan Collins, Angus King
Recipient: Regional School Unit #13
Recipient Contact: Mr. Peter Orne
Mailing Address: 28 Lincoln St. Rockland, ME 04841
Email Address: Peter.orne@rsu13.org
Telephone: (207) 596-6620
Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video-telepresence equipment that will enable real-time distance learning interactions among Regional School Unit #13, the Chewonki Foundation, the Center for Maine Contemporary Art, the Catawba Indian Nation, the Monhegan Island School and AOS 93 to provide rural students, educators and adult learners with access to science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) classes i.e., Advanced Placement courses & dual-enrollment college classes, vocational training, professional development and continuing education courses.
Other Funding: \$330,097
Total Project Cost: \$657,563

Field Contact: Kenrick (Rick) Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 239,235

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

States: Maine and New Hampshire

Counties: Penobscot, Piscataquis, Somerset, & Washington (ME)
Hillsborough (NH)

Congressman, District: Bruce Poliquin, ME-2
Frank Guinta, NH-1

Senators: Susan Collins (ME) Jeanne Shaheen (NH)
Angus King (ME) Kelly Ayotte (NH)

Recipient: Maine School Administrative District No. 4

Recipient Contact: Ann Kirkpatrick, Superintendent

Mailing Address: 31 High Street, Suite C, Guilford, ME 04443

Email Address: akirkpatrick@sad4.org

Telephone: 207-876-3444

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a distance learning network that connects instructors at the Maine Tri-County Technology Center to students in ten rural schools in Maine, three rural schools in New Hampshire, as well as the Passamaquoddy Recreation Boys & Girls Club located in the Indian Township of Passamaquoddy, Maine.

Other Funding: \$ 127,104

Total Project Cost: \$ 366,339



Field Contact: Michael Becker

Phone: 972-780-7832

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$430,779

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Texas

County: El Paso, Presidio, Brewster, Hudspeth, Yoakum, Pecos, Andrews

Congressman, District: Rep. Beto O'Rourke [D]; TX-16th
Rep. Will Hurd [R]; TX-23rd
Rep. Randy Neugebauer [R]; TX-19th
Rep. Michael Conaway [R]; TX-11th

Senators: Sen. John Cornyn [R] and Sen. Ted Cruz [R]

Recipient: Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

Recipient Contact: Cindy Ramirez

Mailing Address: 3601 4th St., MS 6271, Lubbock, Texas, 79430-6271

Email Address: Cynthia.d.ramirez@ttuhsc.edu

Telephone: 915-215-4901

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to install video conferencing infrastructure and equipment at ten (10) sites in west Texas to deliver quality health education to rural communities. The network will also provide access to Continuing Nursing Education to these rural areas. The proposed project will directly impact an estimated 3,000 students at rural school districts, 300 registered nurses at rural hospitals, and 600 nursing students. 7 of the 10 end-user sites plus

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the hub in El Paso are in Strike-Force counties.

Other Funding:	\$500,000
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Total Project Cost	\$930,779
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Field Contact: Kim Jacobs
Phone: (307) 754-9000
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$373,658

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Montana

County: Glacier, Pondera, Toole, Lincoln

Congressman, District: Ryan Zinke, At-Large

Senators: Jon Tester, Steve Daines

Recipient: Kalispell Regional Medical Center

Recipient Contact: Pat Wilson

Mailing Address: 310 Sunnyview Lane Kalispell, MT 59901

Email Address: pwilson@krmc.org

Telephone: (406) 756-4744

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase telemedicine enabled toolkits for 3 Critical Access Hospitals and 1 Primary/Urgent Care Center. These diagnostic medical instruments toolkits, such as stethoscope, otoscope, dermatoscope, and a medical software video module, will provide rural patients access to specialty physicians, emergency physicians, intensivists, and practitioners. Benefits include Emergency Physician Consult, Telestroke and Teleneurology, Teleneonatology, Diabetes Education and Prevention, Sleep Studies, Nursing Education and Development, Nurse Practitioner Hospitalist, and Psychiatry. Glacier County is a Strike-Force County.

Other Funding: \$378,168

Total Project Cost: \$751,826



Field Contact: Andrew E. Hayes

Phone: (770) 914-8643

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$104,382

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Georgia

County: Rabun, Stephens, Towns, and Union

Congressman, District: Doug Collins, 9th

Senators: John “Johnny” Isakson & David Perdue

Recipient: Young Harris College

Recipient Contact: Kelley Gibson, Interim Vice President for Advancement

Mailing Address: 1 College Street, Young Harris, Georgia 30582

Email Address: kbgibson@yhc.edu

Telephone: (706) 379-5339

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment for a project titled *Reach MOWR (Move On When Ready) Students in Northern Georgia*. Benefits include an increased access to post-secondary education, extend resources such as tutoring, guidance counseling, and educational planning to rural students and teachers, and increase continuing educational opportunities for rural faculty.

Other Funding: \$ 79,895 Matching

Total Project Cost: \$184,277

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Field Contact: Andrew E. Hayes

Phone: (770) 914-8643

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$225,511

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Georgia

Counties: Haralson, Heard, and Meriwether

Congressman, District: Lynn Westmoreland, 3rd; and Tom Graves, 14th

Senators: John “Johnny” Isakson & David Perdue

Recipient: West Georgia Technical College

Recipient Contact: Lori Skillings, Grant Coordinator

Mailing Address: 176 Murphy Campus Blvd.
Waco, Georgia 30182

Email Address: lori.skillings@westgatech.edu

Telephone: (678) 821-3791

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to video conferencing equipment for health science distance learning. Benefits include preparation for GED, health science credit coursework, peer-to-peer learning, tutoring, dual enrollment, virtual field trips, career preparation, and health care exploration and preparation. Ancillary benefits include disaster emergency response, economic development, distance learning technology introduction, and continuing education for first responders and other professionals.

Other Funding: \$ 75,000

Total Project Cost: \$300,511

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Field Contact: Andrew Hayes
Phone: 770-914-8643
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$419,886

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Georgia

County: Twiggs, Bibb, Wilkinson, Hancock, Washington

Congressman, District: Bishop, 2; Scott, 8; Hice, 10

Senators: Isakson and Perdue

Recipient: Community Health Care Systems, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Carla Belcher

Mailing Address: 2251 West Elm St.
Wrightsville, GA 31096-2017

Email Address: cbelcher@chcsga.org

Telephone: 478-552-7384 x1211

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to improve EMS service, access to primary and specialty healthcare, improve health outcomes, reduce non-emergency emergency department visits and reduce health care expenses. Utilizing video conferencing equipment, the project has the potential to provide over 49,000 patients with improved access to health care services at 5 end user sites. The project will serve Strike Force counties.

Other Funding: \$130,165 (cash match)

Total Project Cost: \$550,051

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Field Contact: Christopher Collins

Phone: (573) 445-0765

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$91,821

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Minnesota

County: St Louis

Congressman, District: Nolan MN-08

Senators: Klobuchar & Franken

Recipient: Bois Forte Band of Chippewa

Recipient Contact: Randy Long

Mailing Address: 5344 Lakeshore Drive, Nett Lake, Minnesota 55772

Email Address: rlong@boisforte-nsn.gov

Telephone: (218) 757-3261

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide telemedicine, tele-pharmacy and distance learning to serve the patients at all Boise Forte Health and Human Services sites. This grant provides access to physicians, medications and distance learning in a rural area, some of which are located in trust land areas, where transportation is a problem. All of this is accomplished via video conference equipment.

Other Funding: \$39,352

Total Project Cost: \$131,173



Field Contact: Randy Dinogan
Phone: (303) 514-6386
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$304,132

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Utah

County: Sanpete, Sevier, Juab, Box Elder, Piute

Congressman, District: Rob Bishop, 1st; Chris Stewart, 2nd; and Mia Love, 4th

Senators: Orrin Hatch, Mike Lee

Recipient: Snow College

Recipient Contact: Emily D. Peterson

Mailing Address: 150 College Ave. Ephraim, UT 84627

Email Address: emily.peterson@snow.edu

Telephone: (435) 283-7072

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase interactive video conferencing equipment for 3 high schools and 3 charter schools. This project will help rural students by providing a shorten time for college degree completion and implement an easier transition to college coursework. Benefits include delivering concurrent enrollment courses for both high school and college credits as well as improving quality, through certified instructors, and availability, by guaranteeing no cancellation due to low enrollment, of the courses delivered. Snow College has three sites that fall within Juab County, which has been designated as a Strike Force County:

Other Funding: \$191,529

Total Project Cost: \$495,661

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Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: 530-379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$235,225

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: California

County: Siskiyou and Modoc

Congressman, District: LaMalfa, 1

Senators: Feinstein and Boxer

Recipient: College of the Siskiyous

Recipient Contact: Karen Tedsen

Mailing Address: 800 College Ave
Weed, CA 96094-2899

Email Address: tedsen@siskiyous.edu

Telephone: 530-938-5827

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment at five teaching classrooms at the college and four high schools. The college will provide college level course content to the high schools allowing day and evening classes to students and adults. High school students will be provided the opportunity of dual enrollment to help both high-achieving students as well as those at risk of dropping out. College of the Siskiyous has one end-user site of Happy Camp, California, which is home to the Karuk Tribe.

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Other Funding: \$244,826

Total Project Cost: \$480,051

Field Contact: Richard Jenkins

Phone: (618) 318-3236

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 188,206

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: West Virginia

Counties: Boone, Braxton, Calhoun, Fayette, Jackson, Kanawha, Mercer,
Nicholas, Pocahontas & Roane (WV)

Congressman, District: Alex Mooney, WV-2
Evan Jenkins, WV-3

Senators: Joe Manchin III (WV)
Shelley Capito (WV)

Recipient: CAMC Health Education & Research Institute, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Sharon Hall, President

Mailing Address: 3211 MacCorkle Avenue SE, Charleston, WV 25304

Email Address: Sharon.hall@camc.org

Telephone: 304-388-9900

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish telemedicine network that connects clinical specialists at CAMC Memorial Hospital to nine rural hospitals in central and southern West Virginia. With this DLT project, all nine participating rural hospitals will have increased access to medical specialists and critical care experts in neurology for remote tele-stroke consultations and diagnosis. Seven of the nine rural end-user hospitals are located in high poverty StrikeForce counties.

Other Funding: \$ 164,448

Total Project Cost: \$ 352,654



Field Contact: Andre Boening
Phone: (608) 372-2135
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$412,748

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Wisconsin

County: Manitowoc, Adams, Wood, Oneida, Grant, Manominee, Don du Lac, Sheboygan, Brown, Dodge, Washington, Kewaunee, Calumet, Oconto, Ozaukee, Columbia, Shawano

Congressman, District: Rep. Mark Pocan [D]; WI-2nd
Rep. Ron Kind [D]; WI-3rd
Rep. James Sensenbrenner Jr. [R]; WI-5th
Rep. Glenn Grothman [R]; WI-6th
Rep. Sean Duffy [R]; WI-7th
Rep. Reid Ribble [R]; WI-8th

Senators: Sen. Ron Johnson [R] and Sen. Tammy Baldwin [D]

Recipient: Lakeshore Technical College

Recipient Contact: Christian Skasa

Mailing Address: 1290 North Avenue, Cleveland, Wisconsin, 53015-0000

Email Address: Christina.skasa@gotoltc.edu

Telephone: 920-693-1362

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to upgrade, enhance, and expand the distance learning network to five (5) college campuses and thirty (30) rural high schools in rural east-central Wisconsin.

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The project will improve college-readiness by providing high school students with pre-college support including assessments, transitional courses and advisement. Lake Shore Technical College has one end-user site at the College of Menominee Nation is located on the Menominee Indian Reservation

Other Funding: \$312,163

Total Project Cost \$724,911



Field Contact: James Wilson
Phone: (859) 335-5483
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 377,121

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Kentucky

Counties: Bell, Clay, Knox, Leslie, & Whitley (KY)

Congressman, District: Harold Rogers, KY-5

Senators: Mitch McConnell (KY)
Rand Paul (KY)

Recipient: Baptist Health Foundation Corbin, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Ms. Lee Richardson, Director of Community Health Services

Mailing Address: 1 Trillium Way, Corbin, KY 40701

Email Address: Lrichar2@bhsi.com

Telephone: 606-523-8533

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a telemedicine network that connects clinical specialists at Baptist Health Corbin and Grace CHC Pineville clinic to ten school-based health centers as well as two Baptist Health primary care sites in rural Kentucky. In addition to primary care consultations, this DLT project will help provide mental, behavioral and psychiatric care services to participating end-user sites that are currently staffed by nurses or nurse practitioners. All participating sites in this DLT project are located in high poverty StrikeForce counties as well as the Southeastern Kentucky Promise Zone.

Other Funding: \$ 115,620

Total Project Cost: \$ 492,741



Field Contact: Kenrick Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$337,356

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Massachusetts & Maine

County: Aroostook, Franklin, Hampton, Penobscot, Washington

Congressman, District: Neal 1st Dist., McGovern 2nd Dist., Tsongas 3rd Dist., & Pingree 1st Dist., Poliquin 2nd Dist.

Senators: Warren & Collins
Markey & King

Recipient: Collaborative for Educational Services

Recipient Contact: Angela Burke Chief Technology Officer

Mailing Address: 97 Hawley Street, Northampton, Massachusetts

Email Address: aburke@collaborative.org

Telephone: (413) 588-7050

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment for one pure hub site in Hampshire, MA, 22 end-user sites, and one Tribal end-user sites. The Collaborative for Educational Services is a distance learning non-profit educational service agency serving public schools in the Pioneer Valley and across Massachusetts. This project will use distance learning to create opportunities for cultural exchange, teacher development, and classroom connection for virtual group projects in grades K-12 to prepare students for 21st century skills.

Other Funding: \$255,195

Total Project Cost: \$592,551

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Field Contact: Ronald Mellon
Phone: (989) 567-2400
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$407,676

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Michigan

County: Grand Traverse, Ottawa, Wexford, Charlevoix, Benzie, Otsego, Crawford, Kalkaska, Manistee, Leelanau, Mackinack, Cheboygan, Roscommon, Chippewa, Leelanau

Congressman, District: Rep. Dan Benishek [R]; MI-1st
Rep. Bill Huizenga [R]; MI-2nd
Rep. John Moolenaar [R]; MI-4th
Rep. Tim Walberg [R]; MI-7th

Senators: Sen. Debbie Stabenow [D] and Sen. Gary Peters [D]

Recipient: Munson Medical Center

Recipient Contact: Amy Peterson, Ph.D

Mailing Address: 1105 Sixth Street, Traverse City, Michigan, 49684-2349

Email Address: apeterson4@mhc.net

Telephone: 231-935-2854

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to connect nineteen (19) medical clinics in rural Michigan to the Munson Medical Center and the Grand Valley State University. This will provide rural residents access to specialty medical providers and overcome barriers to medical care such as distance and the lack of providers. The project

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will also reduce the use of emergency rooms for specialty care. The Grand Traverse Band Clinic is located on the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indian Reservation.

Other Funding:	\$311,301
Total Project Cost	\$718,977



Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: (530) 379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$405,917

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: California

County: Humboldt, Los Angeles, Modoc, Sacramento, Shasta, Trinity, Tulare, and Tuolumne

Congressman, District: Doug LaMalfa, 1st; Jared Huffman, 2nd; Tom McClintock, 4th; Doris Matsui, 6th; Kevin McCarthy, 23rd; and Alan Lowenthal, 47th

Senators: Dianne Feinstein & Barbara Boxer

Recipient: California Telehealth Network

Recipient Contact: Eric P. Brown, President and CEO

Mailing Address: 2001 P Street, Sacramento, California 95811-5232

Email Address: ebrown@caltelehealth.org

Telephone: (310) 365-1450

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to deliver telemedicine to improve access to needed specialty health. Benefits to rural communities include access to psychiatry, endocrinology, dermatology, nephrology, and cardiology as well as health care education to isolated patients with chronic health conditions. This project consist of one hub and 48 end-user sites. One site, K:'ima:w Medical Center, is located on trust land of the Hoopa Valley Reservation and another site is located at Tule River Indian Health Clinic is also located on trust land of the Tule River Reservation

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Other Funding:	\$209,955 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$615,872

Field Contact: Brian Smith
Phone: 623-388-4205
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$287,926

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New Mexico

County: Santa Fe County, Bernalillo County, Chaves County, Dona Ana County, San Juan County, Rio Arriba County, Guadalupe County, Union County, Sandoval County, Torrance County, De Baca County, Catron County, Hidalgo County, Taos County

Congressman, District: Grisham-1st, Pearce-2nd, Lujan-3rd

Senators: Udall, Heinrich

Recipient: New Mexico Department of Health

Recipient Contact: Mr. Tima Reeder, N.E. Region Emergency Preparedness Specialist

Mailing Address: 1190 South Saint Francis Drive, #4100 Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505-3252

Email Address: Tima.reeder@state.nm.us

Telephone: 505-476-2673

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to place videoconferencing equipment at 18 public health offices in New Mexico. The project will focus on medical practice transformation which will lead to expanded access, improved health outcomes, and enhanced patient satisfaction. The project will collaborate with the University of New

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Mexico's Project Echo that will provide knowledge and training to front-line clinicians to manage patients with complex conditions such as hepatitis C, rheumatoid arthritis, chronic pain, and behavioral health disorders. The project will consist of 6 hubs and 12 end-user sites with 7 end-user sites in Strike Force counties.

Other Funding:	\$125,658
Total Project Cost:	\$413,584



Field Contact: Brian Smith
Phone: 623-388-4205
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$318,093

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: New Mexico

County: Santa Fe, Cibola, Sandoval, Rio Arriba, Pojoaque, Bernalillo, McKinley

Congressman, District: Grisham, 1; Pearce, 2; Lujan, 3

Senators: Udall and Heinrich

Recipient: Santa Fe Indian School, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Patricia Sandoval

Mailing Address: 1501 Cerrillos Rd
Santa Fe, NM 87502-3521

Email Address: psandoval@sfis.k12.nm.us

Telephone: 505-989-6397

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment at 16 end user sites to support the maintenance of the native languages of the 19 Pueblos in New Mexico. Santa Fe Indian School's new DLT facility will act as the hub site to and from the Pueblo libraries, creating a digital pipeline that connects native students and teachers, elders, community leaders, and mentors. Funding will be used entirely in tribal jurisdictions.

Other Funding: \$95,619

Total Project Cost: \$413,712



Field Contact: Shekinah Bailey

Phone: (316) 570-3249

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$287,198

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

County: North Slope

Congressman, District: Don Young, At Large

Senators: Lisa Murkowski & Dan Sullivan

Recipient: Arctic Slope Native Association, Ltd.

Recipient Contact: Yeleana A. Toalston, Grants Writer & Development Manager

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1232, 7000 Uula Street, Barrow, Alaska 99723-1232

Email Address: Yeleana.Toalston@arcticslope.org

Telephone: (907) 852-9264

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase a tele-pharmacy remote dispensing system. Currently, medication can only be flown into the remote five clinics. With this system, the central pharmacy can greatly improve medication through tracking inventory, review and monitor medicine, and a pharmacist review of medication before dispensing as well as visually inspection of the product and dispensing process.

Other Funding: \$ 50,682

Total Project Cost: \$337,880



Field Contact: Terry Kokinda
Phone: (615) 451-9498
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 67,572

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

Counties: Benton, Carroll, Gibson, Henry, & Obion (TN)

Congressman, District: Stephen Fincher, TN-8

Senators: Lamar Alexander (TN)
Bob Corker (TN)

Recipient: Carey Counseling Center, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Robert D. Vaughn, Executive Director

Mailing Address: 408 Virginia Street, Paris, TN 38242

Email Address: Robert.vaughn@careyinc.org

Telephone: 731-642-0521

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a telemedicine network that connects Board Certified Psychiatrists at the Carey Counseling Centers in Paris, Tennessee to three rural counseling centers in Northwest Tennessee. This DLT project will expand and improve an existing RUS-funded telemedicine network that currently serves six rural counseling centers in Tennessee. With this expanded network, participating rural counseling centers will have access to mental, behavioral and psychiatric care services as well as substance abuse counseling services. The project will serve residents of two StrikeForce Counties in Tennessee - Benton and Carroll Counties.

Other Funding: \$ 68,648

Total Project Cost: \$ 136,220



Field Contact: Andrew Hayes
Phone: (770) 914 - 8643
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 216,462

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Georgia

County: Fulton, Hancock, Fannin, Lumpkin, Gilmer, Long, Evans

Congressman, District: Carter-1st, Lewis-5th, Collins-9th, Hice -10th, Allen-12th

Senators: Isakson, Perdu

Recipient: Morehouse School of Medicine, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Dr. Sandra Harris-Cooker, Vice President & Executive Vice Dean

Mailing Address: 720 Westview Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30310-1495

Email Address: osra@msm.edu

Telephone: 404-752-1725

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to connect the Morehouse School of Medicine in Georgia with six rural clinics. The project will benefit underserved rural residents of Hancock county, Fannin County, Lumpkin County, Gilmer County, and Long County. The project will provide public health and wellness courses, disease specific awareness programming, and access to medical professionals and specialists to rural residents. The project will also allow medical staff for professional collaboration, access to the latest research, clinical mentorship, and training. One site that is located in Hancock County, GA, a USDA designated Strike Force Area.

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Other Funding:	\$ 61,530
Total Project Cost:	\$277,992



Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: (530) 379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$315,484

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

States: Nevada & California

Counties: Clark, Elko, Lincoln, Lyon, Mineral, Nye, Pershing, Washoe, White Pine, Inyo, Modoc, Plumas

Congressman, District: Amodei NV-2nd Dist. & Hardy NV-4th Dist., LaMalfa CA-1st Dist. & Cook CA-8th Dist.

Senators: Reid & Feinstein
Heller & Boxer

Recipient: Renown Health

Recipient Contact: Ms. Gina Nelson

Mailing Address: 1155 Mill Street, Reno Nevada 89502

Email Address: GNelson@renown.org

Telephone: (775) 982-6388

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide acute and preventive health care specialist, currently not available in their communities (21 sites in two states). This program located in the StrikeForce state of Nevada and 6 sites in California, consists of 21 rural healthcare facilities in 11 counties, including four correctional facilities and one tribal site. Patients will gain access via video conference, to specialist not currently available due to geographic barriers and physician shortages.

Other Funding: \$245,878

Total Project Cost: \$561,362



Field Contact: Kim Jacobs
Phone: (307) 754-9000
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$195,312

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Montana

County: Missoula, Chouteau, Hill, Sanders, Gallatin, Blaine

Congressman, District: Zinke, At Large

Senators: Tester & Daines

Recipient: University of Montana "Project Access"

Recipient Contact: Ms. Terri Coslet

Mailing Address: 32 Campus Drive, 4104, Missoula, MT 59812

Email Address: Terri.coslet@umontana.edu

Telephone: (406) 243-4777

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish video conference equipment for public schools in five counties grades K-12 as well as adult/non-traditional students. Their goal is to: overcome geographic isolation and rural poverty through access to advanced coursework at the high school, college, and career level; to study within the home community and build sustainability for careers focused on health and human services; and to provide supervised telehealth health and human services such as that of speech and language assessment and intervention for individuals with related deficits. Project Access will provide services to three different Native American tribes and their reservations: the Chippewa-Cree and the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine on the Fort Belknap Reservation.

Other Funding: \$60,600

Total Project Cost: \$255,912

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Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: 530-379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$116,677

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: California

County: Siskiyou, Humboldt, Shasta and Sacramento

Congressman, District: LaMalfa, 1; Huffman, 2; Matsui, 6

Senators: Feinstein and Boxer

Recipient: Karuk Tribe

Recipient Contact: Eric Cutright

Mailing Address: 64236 Second Ave
Happy Camp, CA 96039

Email Address:

Telephone: 530-493-1600

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment to support the delivery of specialty care, primary care, and behavioral healthcare services from hub sites located in Sacramento and Redding to end user sites located in Happy Camp, Orleans and Yreka. This will reduce travel and lengthy wait times to over 9,500 community members. Each end-user site is located on Tribal Trust Land.

Other Funding: \$59,661

Total Project Cost: \$176,338



Field Contact: Andrew Hayes
Phone: (770) 914-8643
Obligation Date: June 28, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$121,989

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Georgia

County: Appling, Ben Hill, Emanuel, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, and Lumpkin

Congressman, District: Austin Scott, 8th; Doug Collins, 9th; and Rick Allen, 12th

Senators: John “Johnny” Isakson & David Perdue

Recipient: Central Georgia Technical College

Recipient Contact: Mr. Mark Renfro, Executive Director/President

Mailing Address: 331 Ridgecrest Circle, Clayton, Georgia 30525-4186

Email Address: marenfro@outlook.com

Telephone: 706-782-0764

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to expand telemedicine into additional communities. Benefits include secure access for patients to all relevant providers, new opportunities for diagnosis through medical tools aligned to the network, monitoring and follow-up care capabilities for high-risk patients, and new opportunities to provide patient education regarding chronic conditions or disease. This project consist of 14 sites including 3 Strike Force counties.

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Other Funding:	\$ 66,857
Total Project Cost:	\$188,846



Field Contact: Andrew Hayes
Phone: 770-914-8643
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$444,851

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Georgia

Counties: Tift, Colquitt, Brooks, Miller, Worth, Randolph, Grady, and Mitchell

Congressman, District: Sanford Bishop (D) – 2nd district; Austin Scott (R) – 8th district

Senators: John Hardy Isakson (R) and David Perdue (R)

Recipient: Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Sue Mastrario, Grants Development Specialist

Mailing Address: 2802 Moore Highway – ABAC 13
Tifton, Georgia 31793-2601

Email Address: smastrario@abac.edu

Telephone: 229-391-4899

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide educational programming for rural healthcare workers and community members by creating a distance learning network between ABAC and remote hospitals enabling rural nurses to access a BSN program without leaving their jobs or communities. The program will be delivered via interactive videoconferencing which will help create a nursing workforce more qualified to address the health care needs of rural communities. There are 8 sites including 4 sites in Strike Force counties.

Other Funding: \$122,350 (match) [\$56,500 cash & \$65,850 in-kind]

Total Project Cost: \$567,201

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Field Contact: Patrick Carey
Phone: (704) 896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 158,214

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Carolina

Counties: Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell & Charleston (SC)

Congressman, District: Marshall Sanford, SC-1
Joe Wilson, SC-2
James Clyburn, SC-6

Senators: Lindsey Graham (SC)
Tim Scott (SC)

Recipient: Palmetto Care Connections

Recipient Contact: Kathy Schwarting, Executive Director

Mailing Address: 1880 Main Highway, Bamberg, SC 29003

Email Address: kathys@palmettocareconnections.org

Telephone: 803-707-2378

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a telemedicine network that connects medical practitioners at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) and Low Country Health Care System to nineteen school-based health centers in rural South Carolina. Healthcare providers at MUSC will serve participating school clinics located in Bamberg County while nurse practitioners at the Low Country Health Care System will serve participating school clinics located in Allendale and Barnwell Counties. All participating end-user clinics in this DLT project are located in high poverty StrikeForce counties as well as the South Carolina Low Country Promise Zone.

Other Funding: \$ 157,790

Total Project Cost: \$ 316,004



Field Contact: Teresa C Hunkapiller

Phone: (256) 725-5353

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$339,419

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alabama Southern Community College

County: Choctaw, Clark, Marengo, Monroe & Wilcox

Congressman, District: Byrne AL-1st Dist. & Sewell AL-7th Dist.

Senators: Shelby & Sessions

Recipient: Alabama Southern Community College

Recipient Contact: Mr. Roger Chandler, Interim President

Mailing Address: 2800 South Alabama Avenue, Monroeville, Alabama 25461

Email Address: RChandler@ASCC.edu

Telephone: (251) 575-3156

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to a distance learning partnership between Alabama Southern Community College and three rural and economically depressed high school and Strike Force zones in Alabama. This project will provide 102 potential courses to expand the educational opportunities they will receive. The program will improve student's college and career readiness by providing career exploration activities, student financial aid programs to better understand how to complete the FAFSA and college search activities to assist in attending other colleges.

Other Funding: \$105,220

Total Project Cost: \$444,639



Field Contact: Patrick Carey
Phone: 704-896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$288,492

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: North Carolina

County: Pasquotank, Dare, Chowan, Currituck and Gates

Congressman, District: Butterfield, 1, Jones, 3

Senators: Burr and Tillis

Recipient: College of the Albemarle

Recipient Contact: Dr. Susan Peck

Mailing Address: 1208 N Road St.
Elizabeth City, Pasquotank, NC 27909-2327

Email Address: susan_peck@albemarle.edu

Telephone: 252-335-0821 x2219

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment to support the delivery of educational content from one hub location to students at three high schools and three college campuses. The program will assist students with completing courses and building their success toward completing a certificate, diploma, or degree to either join the workforce or transfer to a four-year institution. Three of the end-user sites are located in a Strike Force area.

Other Funding: \$148,181

Total Project Cost: \$435,681

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Field Contact: Ronald Mellon
Phone: (989) 567-2400
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$206,095

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant
State: Ohio
County: Brown, Fayette, Hocking, Highland, Pickaway
Congressman, District: Wenstrup OH-2nd Dist., Turner OH-10th Dist., Stivers OH-15th Dist.
Senators: Brown & Portman
Recipient: Ohio Christian University
Recipient Contact: Mr. Michael Fracassa
Mailing Address: 1476 Lancaster Pike, Circleville, Ohio 43113
Email Address: mfracassa@ohiochristian.edu
Telephone: (740) 420-5925
Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide a fixed-site distance learning initiative that will connect Ohio Christian University's main campus to four rural Ohio educational facilities one of which is located in a StrikeForce zone. The goal is to provide rural Ohioans access to college education opportunities with the convenience, flexibility, and affordability of being in their own communities, which assists workforce development, community engagement, and personal enrichment.

Other Funding: \$106,000
Total Project Cost: \$312,095



Field Contact: Shekinah Bailey

Phone: (316) 570-3249

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$488,558

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

County: Valdez-Cordova Census Area, Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area

Congressman, District: Rep. Don Young

Senators: Sen. Lisa Murkowski and Sen. Dan Sullivan

Recipient: Copper River School District

Recipient Contact: Christopher Van Wyhe

Mailing Address: 9998 Aurora Drive, Glennallen, Alaska, 99588-9999

Email Address: cvanwyhe@crsd.us

Telephone: 907-822-3234

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide distance learning services to five (5) primary education schools located in extremely remote Alaskan villages. The schools will be able to share instruction, provide professional development, augment curriculum, create opportunities for mentorship, and expand opportunities to advance career and educational skills to the community residents. Three of the project sites are located on Native Alaskan trust land. They are (1) Kenny Lake K-12 Campus: Native Village of Kluti Kaah and the Alaska Native Regional Corporation of Ahtna, (2) Annette Island School CTE Building: Metlakatla Indian

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Community; and (3) Metlakatla High School: Metlakatla Indian Community.

Other Funding:	\$152,000
Total Project Cost	\$640,558



Field Contact: Bill Vogt
Phone: (318) 640-1407
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$305,841

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Louisiana

Parish: East Baton Rouge, St. Charles, Vermilion, Orleans, Catahoula, Beauregard, Pointe Coupee, Jefferson, East Feliciana, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Tensas, Grant

Congressman, District: Steve Scalise, LA 1st Dist; Cedric Richmond, LA 2nd Dist; Charles Boustany, LA 3rd Dist; John Fleming, LA 4th Dist; Ralph Abraham, LA 5th Dist; Garrett Graves, LA 6th Dist.

Senators: David Vitter, Bill Cassidy

Recipient: Louisiana Primary Care Association, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Tonia Canale

Mailing Address: 503 Colonial Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70806-6508

Email Address: tcanale@lpca.net

Telephone (985) 320-1283

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to deploy a video teleconferencing network to connect 14 rural health centers with medical professionals specializing in psychiatry, psychology, nephrology, cardiology, immunology and infectious diseases. The telemedicine network will also enable professional development for healthcare workers and educational sessions for patients. This project includes seven end user sites located in USDA Strike Force parishes.

Other Funding: \$95,000

Total Project Cost: \$400,841

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Field Contact: Kenrick Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$398,692

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Cumberland, Carroll, Franklin, Oxford, Lincoln, Knox, Waldo

Congressman, District: Rep. Chellie Pingree [D]; ME-1st
Rep. Bruce Poliquin [R]; ME-2nd

Senators: Sen. Susan Collins [R] and Sen. Angus King [I]

Recipient: MaineHealth

Recipient Contact: Charles Winchell

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Email Address: CWinchell@mmc.org

Telephone: 207-661-7584

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to install telehealth videoconferencing carts at six rural medical clinics in rural Maine. Three more telehealth videoconferencing carts will be provided to three home health agency sites to supplier patient needs. These will provide patients connection to specialists located at three major hospitals in Maine. This project will provide healthcare to those in disadvantaged communities and prevent the need for lengthy travel for healthcare consultations.

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Other Funding:	\$135,000
Total Project Cost	\$533,692



Field Contact: Shekinah Bailey

Phone: (316) 570-3249

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$279,820

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

County: Anchorage Municipality, Dillingham Census Area, Fairbanks North Star, Kenai Peninsula, Kodiak Island, Matanuska-Susitna, and North Slope

Congressman, District: Don Young, At Large

Senators: Lisa Murkowski & Dan Sullivan

Recipient: Hope Community Resources, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Kathy Tongard

Mailing Address: 540 W. International Airport Rd., Anchorage, Alaska 99518-2457

Email Address: ktonsgard@hopealaska.org

Telephone: (907) 433-4720

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment to provide mental health and disability counseling and training as well as support services to individuals and their families. Benefits include support and mentoring through education, customized disability services, coaching and enrichment programs, as well as technical and vocational degrees, professional development, and certification programs. This project has 10 sites with 2 sites located on Tribal Trust lands.

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Other Funding:	\$142,956.75 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$422,776.95



Field Contact: Shekinah Bailey

Phone: (316) 570-3249

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$375,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Alaska

County: Anchorage, Fairbanks North Star, North Slope, and Unorganized
Boroughs (Yukon-Koyukuk and Southeast Fairbanks Census Areas)

Congressman, District: Don Young, At Large

Senators: Lisa Murkowski & Dan Sullivan

Recipient: Dena' Nena' Henash dba Tanana Chiefs Conference

Recipient Contact: Diane Evans-Sommer, Grants Manager

Mailing Address: 122 First Avenue, Suite 600, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701-4871

Email Address: diane.evants@tananachiefs.org

Telephone: (907) 452-8251

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to expand the existing telemedicine program, named the *Foundations and Innovations in Telehealth* project. This project in 26 clinics will serve 24 villages providing rural patients with access to medical specialists. Medical services include Internal Medicine, Physical Therapy, and OB/GYN as well as specialty care such as Cardiology, Pulmonology, Dermatology, and Orthopedics. Rural patients will also have access to mental, behavioral, and lifestyle healthcare needs. This project has one clinic, the Frank Tobuk Sr. Health Center located in a Tribal Trust area.

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Other Funding:	\$383,342 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$758,342

Field Contact: Bill Vogt
Phone: (318) 640-1407
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$485,237

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Louisiana

County: Caddo Parish, Ouachita Parish, Bienville Parish, Avoyelles Parish, Caldwell Parish, East Carroll Parish, Jackson Parish, Franklin Parish, LaSalle Parish, Claiborne Parish, Madison Parish, Union Parish, Richland Parish, Sabine Parish, Webster Parish, West Carroll Parish, Winn Parish, St. Landry Parish, Jefferson Davis Parish, Rapides Parish, Morehouse Parish

Congressman, District: Boustany Jr. -3rd, Fleming- 4th, Abraham 5th,

Senators: Vitter, Cassidy

Recipient: Biomedical Research Foundation of Northwest Louisiana

Recipient Contact: Ms. Dawn Banks, Director of Grants Development

Mailing Address: 2031 Kings Highway, Shreveport, Louisiana, 71103-3600

Email Address: dbanks@biomed.org

Telephone: 318-716-4105

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish the University Health Telemedicine network that will be used for live tele-consults between specialists at University Health Shreveport, Feist-Weiller Cancer Center, and University Health Conway to patients at 19 rural hospitals, two rural Federally Qualified Health Centers, one walk-in

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clinic and a nursing home in 21 rural Louisiana parishes. The benefits the rural residents will receive are: increased access to care, improved health outcomes and quality of life, and reduced travel costs associated with traveling for health care. A corresponding reduction in avoidable emergency room visits and inpatient hospitalization will result in cost savings for the regional health care system and ultimately the taxpayer. Nineteen sites are located in Strike Force parishes.

Other Funding:	\$247,470
Total Project Cost:	\$732,707

Field Contact: Kenrick Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$137,755

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania

Counties: Armstrong, Butler, Forest, Venango, and Warren

Congressman, District: Mike Kelly, 3rd; and Glenn Thompson, 5th

Senators: Robert “Bob” Casey, Jr. & Patrick “Pat” Toomey

Recipient: Butler Healthcare Providers dba Butler Memorial Hospital

Recipient Contact: Dr. Thomas A. McGill, VP Quality and Safety

Mailing Address: 1 Hospital Way
Butler, Pennsylvania 16001-4670

Email Address: mcca.md@butlerhealthsystem.org

Telephone: (724) 284-4025

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase telemedicine equipment. Four specialty health care service providers will assist four healthcare facilities, one urgent care facility, two pharmacies, and a prison. Benefits to rural patients include specialty care, diabetes self-management education, health education, post-op follow-up care, second opinions, behavioral and mental health care, as well as pharmacist tele-consults.

Other Funding: \$139,148

Total Project Cost: \$276,903



Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: 530-379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$493,351

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nevada

County: Churchill, Clark, Elko, Esmerelda, Eureka, Humboldt, Lincoln, Lyon, Mineral, Nye, Pershing, Washoe and White Pine

Congressman, District: Amodel, 2; Heck, 3; Hardy, 4;

Senators: Reid and Heller

Recipient: Board of Regents Nevada System of Higher Education

Recipient Contact: Dr. Steven Zink

Mailing Address: 5550 W Flamingo Rd, Ste. A2
Las Vegas, NV 89103-0135

Email Address: steven_zink@nshe.nevada.edu

Telephone: 775-789-3494

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment to 13 USDA StrikeForce counties with 30 end point users. High school students will have 137 additional courses available through distance learning, elementary schools will have expanded class opportunities. This project will also expand the availability of courses to students in rural colleges, work with cooperative extension agencies to assist them in gaining and sharing trainings, classes, and workshops for the community. The project will also be available to provide health education and provide health care visits to students in rural and frontier schools.

Other Funding: \$254,000

Total Project Cost: \$747,351

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Field Contact: James Wilson
Phone: 859-335-5483
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$73,348

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Indiana

Counties: Dubois, Perry, Orange, Spencer, and Crawford

Congressman, District: Larry Bucshon (R) – 8th district; Todd Young (R) – 9th district

Senators: Joe Donnelly (D) and Dan Coats (R)

Recipient: Southern Hills Counseling Center, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mr. Rich Whitaker

Mailing Address: 480 Eversman Drive
Jasper, Indiana 47546-3548

Email Address: rwhitaker@southernhills.org

Telephone: 812-771-6880

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to implement a telemedicine system that will enhance the availability of mental health services in remote, rural areas of Indiana. The proposed network will allow healthcare professionals the ability to connect through video conferencing in real-time with mental health specialists and diagnosticians in far-off urban centers, dramatically enhancing the level of care able to be provided at these rural, isolated locations. SHCC will be able to connect to both rural hospitals that serve our isolated community, providing psychiatric diagnosis and support to individuals in crisis seeking help in the emergency room.

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Other Funding:	\$77,257 (match) [\$15,809 cash & \$61,448 in-kind]
Total Project Cost:	\$150,605

Field Contact: Kenrick (Rick) Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$366,459

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Aroostook, Somerset

Congressman, District: Bruce Poliquin ME-2nd Dist. .

Senators: Susan Collins, Angus King

Recipient: Maine School Administrative District #33

Recipient Contact: Dr. Fern Desjardins, Superintendent of Schools

Mailing Address: 431 US Route 1 Frenchville, ME 04745

Email Address: fdesjardins@msade33.org

Telephone (207) 543-7334

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video-telepresence equipment that will enable real-time distance learning activities among Maine School Administrative District #33 (MSDA #33) and partners: Northern Maine Community College, MSDA #1, MSAD #24, MSAD #27, MSAD #54, MSAD #70, Regional School Unit #39, the Madawaska School Department and the Aroostook Band of the Micmacs to provide rural students & adult learners with access to relevant content i.e., Advanced Placement courses & dual-enrollment college classes, vocational training, professional development and continuing education courses. This project includes the Tribal Trust area of Aroostook Band of Micmacs @ Presque Isle, Maine.

Other Funding: \$276,452

Total Project Cost: \$642,911

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Field Contact: Kenrick (Rick) Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 312,892

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

Counties: Claiborne, Grainger, Hancock, Scott, Marion & Union (TN)

Congressman, District: David Roe, TN-1
John Duncan Jr., TN-2
Charles Fleischmann, TN-3
Scott DesJarlais, TN-4
Marsha Blackburn, TN-7

Senators: Lamar Alexander (TN)
Bob Corker (TN)

Recipient: Tennessee Rural Education Association

Recipient Contact: Dr. Christopher J. Bell, Asst. Director

Mailing Address: 301 Covenant Drive, Cleveland, TN 37323

Email Address: Jbell2@k12tn.net

Telephone: 706-455-2394

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a distance learning network that connects instructors at Lincoln Memorial University to students at twenty-five rural K-12 schools located in five Tennessee County School Districts. This DLT project will expand an existing RUS-funded distance learning network that serves fifteen schools in rural Tennessee as well as the Choctaw tribal council building in Louisiana. All participating sites in this DLT project are located in high poverty StrikeForce counties.

Other Funding: \$ 159,817

Total Project Cost: \$ 472,709

Field Contact: Terry Kokinda
Phone: (615) 451-9498
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$281,079

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: Marion County, Hamblen County, Campbell County, Claiborne County, Grainger County, Hancock County, Scott County, Union County

Congressman, District: Roe-1st, Duncan Jr.-2nd, Fleischmann-3rd, DesJarlais-4th,
Senators: Alexander, Corker

Recipient: Tennessee Rural Education Association

Recipient Contact: Dr. Allen Pratt

Mailing Address: 301 Covenant Drive, Cleveland, Tennessee 37323-5187
Email Address: apratt@mctns.net

Telephone: 423-942-4210

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a distance learning network with Tennessee Rural Education Association, Tennessee College of Applied Technology at Jacksboro, and Tennessee College of Applied Technology at Morristown providing advanced courses to 17 high schools and middle schools located in 5 counties. Students will be learning advanced manufacturing skills and earn a Certified Production Technician certificate before high school graduation. The project will also offer STEM courses,

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advanced placement courses, and dual enrollment college courses. Another benefit of the project will be increased collaborative and shared learning across sites and expanded access to learning content such as virtual field trips and guest speakers. Each participating site in the TN Secondary Schools Distance Learning Project is located in a Strike Force designated county.

Other Funding:	\$149,562
Total Project Cost:	\$430,641



Field Contact: Patrick Carey
Phone: 704-896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$318,218

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Carolina

County: Abbeville, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Edgefield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, McCormick, Orangeburg, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Union, Kingstree and Rock Hill

Congressman, District: Sanford, 1; Wilson, 2; Duncan, 3; Gowdy, 4; Mulvaney, 5; Clyburn, 6 and Rice 7

Senators: Graham and Scott

Recipient: Florence County Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse dba Circle Park Behavioral Health Services

Recipient Contact: Randall Cole

Mailing Address: 601 Gregg Ave
Florence, SC 29502-6196

Email Address: rcole@circlepark.com

Telephone: 843-664-3925

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment to connect geographically distant health clinics to Behavioral Health Care Association hub sites. BHSA provides comprehensive prevention, intervention and treatment to citizens in need of alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse services. Each of the 9 primary Hub provider sites were chosen as hubs because they have shown interest in providing Medication Assisted Treatment which is our grant proposal treatment focus.

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These sites would have a greater capability of having or contracting with a physician to serve their specific sub-region. The connectivity in this grant will allow a county where the physicians are at their limit for prescribing Medication Assisted Treatment to be able to access services from a physician at their primary Hub provider site, or one of the other 8 Hub provider sites, in our system who is not at their limit. This project has multiple Strike Force counties.

Other Funding: \$162,292

Total Project Cost: \$480,510



Field Contact: Brian Smith
Phone: 602-285-6374
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$205,052

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arizona

Counties: Coconino, Mohave, Navajo, Greenlee, Gila, and Graham

Congressman, District: Ann Kirkpatrick (D) – 1st district; Paul Gosar (R) – 4th district

Senators: John McCain (R) and Jeff Flake (R)

Recipient: Canyonlands Community Health Care

Recipient Contact: Mr. Christopher J. Hansen, CEO

Mailing Address: 827 Vista Avenue, P.O. Box 1625
Page, Arizona 86040-1625

Email Address: c.hansen@cchcaz.org

Telephone: 928-645-6600

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to fill a gap in healthcare in a very remote area of Arizona by way of telemedicine. The proposed project will allow Canyonlands Community Health Care (CCHC) to development and implement a telehealth program to minimize the effects of respiratory and pulmonary impairments in local coal miners at health center sites. Not only will healthcare delivery be enhanced for medically-underserved populations, but it will increase access to much-needed specialty services while decreasing healthcare costs. Put simply, this program will save lives and save thousands of dollars in expenses to the patient as well as expenses to CCHC. There are 8 sites in this project with the Chilchinbeto Clinic is located both on tribal land (Navajo Nation) and within a Strike Force County (Navajo County).

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Other Funding:	\$65,000 (cash match)
Total Project Cost:	\$270,052



Field Contact: Richard Jenkins

Phone: (681) 318-3236

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$434,182

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Virginia

County: Franklin, Henry, Botetourt, Floyd, Grayson, Carroll, Rockbridge, Tazewell, Pulaski, Wythe, Giles, Montgomery, Roanoke

Congressman, District: Rep. Robert Hurt [R]; VA-5th
Rep. Bob Goodlatte [R]; VA-6th
Rep. Morgan Griffith [R]; VA-9th

Senators: Sen. Mark Warner [D] and Sen. Timothy Kaine [D]

Recipient: Carilion Medical Center

Recipient Contact: Dr. Thomas Milam, M.D.

Mailing Address: 1906 Belleview Avenue, Roanoke, Virginia, 24014-2462

Email Address: TRMilam@carilionclinic.org

Telephone: 540-815-7865

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide mental health and other physician services in twelve (12) rural counties in southwest Virginia. The primary intent of this project is to establish a network for tele-psychiatry services. Additional services will include post-operative follow-up visits and medical consultation for stroke care, maternal pregnancy care, pediatric care and geriatric care. Of the total of 18 hub and end-user sites identified as part of this proposed

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project, 15 sites are located in USDA Strike Force counties.

Other Funding:	\$250,000
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Total Project Cost	\$684,182
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Field Contact: Patrick Hemen
Phone: (605) 554-0195
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$116,445

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Dakota

County: South Dakota: Oglala Lakota, Roberts, and Yankton
North Dakota: Sioux

Congressman, District: South Dakota: Kristi Noem, At Large
North Dakota: Kevin Cramer, At Large

Senators: South Dakota: John Thune & Mike Rounds
North Dakota: John Hoeven & Heidi Heitkamp

Recipient: Mount Marty College, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Kristen Welker, Director of Institutional Effectiveness

Mailing Address: 1105 W. 8th Street, Yankton, South Dakota 57078-3725

Email Address: kristen.welker@mtmc.edu

Telephone: (605) 668-1577

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment to provide Master in Education curriculum to tribal colleges. This project will help train current and future teachers as well as provide professional development through distance learning instruction and assistance. The need for this project is underscored by the geographic location of the tribal schools as well as the need for qualified teachers in the region and the state.

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Furthermore, these areas lack adequate resources to train future teachers or to provide professional development and training to current teachers. The end-user sites are at tribal colleges located on three different reservations in South Dakota.

Other Funding:	\$ 43,123 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$159,568



Field Contact: James Wilson
Phone: 859-335-5483
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$343,600

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Kentucky

Counties: Letcher, Perry, Harlan, Owsley, and Bell

Congressman, District: Hal Rogers (R) – 5th district

Senators: Rand Paul (R) and Mitch McConnell (R)

Recipient: Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation

Recipient Contact: Mr. Christopher Bates, Corporate Compliance Officer

Mailing Address: 226 Medical Plaza Lane
Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858-7425

Email Address: cbates@mtncomp.org

Telephone: 606-633-4823

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide a telemedicine network allowing greater access to needed primary care services, behavioral health, and other specialty services for all residents of the region especially since many patients have barriers to access such care from lack of transportation and economic challenges. This project will provide alternative access to care through established telemedicine video links at all clinic sites. MCHC has locations in Promise Zone counties of Letcher, Harlan, Perry and Bell.

Other Funding: \$110,000 (cash match)

Total Project Cost: \$453,600

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Field Contact: Patrick Carey
Phone: (704) 896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$ 265,576

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: North Carolina

County: Montgomery (NC)

Congressman, District: Richard Hudson, NC-8

Senators: Richard Burr (NC)
Thom Tillis (NC)

Recipient: Montgomery County Schools

Recipient Contact: Dr. Richard D. Ellis, Superintendent

Mailing Address: 441 Page Street, Troy, NC 27371

Email Address: Dale.ellis@montgomery.k12.nc.us

Telephone: 910-576-6511 ext. 223

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a distance learning network that connects instructors at Montgomery Community College and the school district central office to students at six elementary schools, two middle schools and two high schools in rural North Carolina. The DLT network will also connect the Montgomery Learning Academy, an alternative school for middle and high school students. These schools will also be able to share teacher resources and classroom instructions using interactive video conferencing equipment. This DLT project will serve rural residents of Montgomery County, a StrikeForce County in North Carolina.

Other Funding: \$ 82,970

Total Project Cost: \$ 348,546



Field Contact: Patrick Carey
Phone: 704-896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$480,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: North Carolina

Counties: Durham, Columbus, Chatham, Vance, and Granville

Congressman, District: George Butterfield (D) – 1st district; David Price (D) – 4th district;
David Rouzer (R) – 7th district

Senators: Thom Tillis (R) and Richard Burr (R)

Recipient: North Carolina Central University

Recipient Contact: Ms. Kendra Cardwell, Pre-Award Assistant Director

Mailing Address: 1801 Fayetteville Street
Durham, North Carolina 27707-3129

Email Address: kcardwell@ncsu.edu

Telephone: 919-530-7756

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment for 11 end-user sites (consisting of libraries and church centers) providing rural residents with the ability to educate themselves on a wide variety of legal issues. This project will offer and educate rural residents in the legal areas that are most common to their communities: Criminal Defense, Family Law, Domestic Violence, and Low Income Tax Payer. Workshops will be offered, allowing individuals in all locations to interactively participate. Benefits of participating in the program include better outcomes to civil and criminal legal challenges, empowerment through a better understanding of the law and practical life skills.

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Other Funding:	\$244,610 (cash match)
Total Project Cost:	\$724,610



Field Contact: Patrick Carey
Phone: (704) 896-8402
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$378,329

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: South Carolina

County: Dillon County

Congressman, District: Rice -7th

Senators: Graham, Scott

Recipient: Dillon School District Four

Recipient Contact: Ms. Paula A. Yohe, Director of Technology & Information System

Mailing Address: 1738 Highway 301 North, Dillon, South Carolina 29536-1950

Email Address: paula@dillon.k12.sc.us

Telephone: 843-841-3604

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to install videoconferencing equipment at 7 schools in the Dillon school district and equipment at the district office. The project will enable schools to connect with each other to share content, staff, and resources. Sharing highly – qualified teachers and instructional staff over interactive video will greatly improve the district’s ability to provide all district students expanded CORE and non-CORE course offerings. A particular area of focus will be to expand AP and higher-level math and science courses by connecting district middle and high school classrooms. The district will also use the equipment to reintroduce a number of

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non-CORE elective courses, such as those in Art, Music, and Foreign Language subject areas, which were cut in recent years due to budget shortfalls. Dillon County is a Strike Force County.

Other Funding:	\$194,861
Total Project Cost:	\$573,190



Field Contact: Bill Vogt
Phone: (318) 640-1407
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$370,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Arkansas

County: Jackson, Lawrence, Sharp, Mississippi, Craighead, Greene

Congressman, District: Eric Crawford, AR 1st Dist.

Senators: John Boozman, Tom Cotton

Recipient: St. Bernards Development Foundation

Recipient Contact: Heather M. Walker-Clark

Mailing Address: 400 East St. Jonesboro, AR 72401-4555

Email Address: heatherclark@astate.edu

Telephone: (870) 530-9713

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to expand an existing telemedicine network to connect 5 rural end-user clinics with medical specialists at 5 hub sites (heart disease, diabetes, obesity); and to initiate a distance learning/telemedicine program for medical students through a partnership with St. Bernards Healthcare and the New York Institute of Technology (NYIT), College of Osteopathic Medicine (the osteopathic curriculum is offered at the Jonesboro campus of Arkansas State University). St. Bernards' physicians and NYIT teaching physicians will serve at the hub sites while existing staff & medical students will serve at the end-user sites. All 5 counties in this project are Strike Force counties.

Other Funding: \$115,000

Total Project Cost: \$485,000

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Field Contact: Andre Boening
Phone: (608) 372-2135
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$91,089

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Wisconsin

County: Grant, Iowa, Lafayette, Vernon

Congressman, District: Kind WI-3rd Dist.

Senators: Johnson & Baldwin

Recipient: Riverdale School District

Recipient Contact: Rebekah Gehrke, Technology Integration Specialist

Mailing Address: 747 N. 6th Street, Muscoda, Wisconsin 53573

Email Address: rgehrke@riverdale.k12.wi.us

Telephone: (608) 739-3116

Project Description: Rural Development grant funds will be used by Riverdale School District to improve academic achievements in 7 school Districts located in Wisconsin. Two of the districts are located on Indian Trust land. The Building Opportunities & Occupations for Students Together (BOOST) is a distance learning project linking teachers and students at fixed end users locations, via the use of video conferencing. This project will provide: Early exposure to career professionals and experiences to support awareness and confidence; Diversification and advanced placement coursework and remedial coursework, if needed in high school; and Professional development opportunities for K-12 university and technical college staff to come together to identify best practice and needs at all levels.

Other Funding: \$95,576

Total Project Cost: \$186,665



Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: 530-379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$493,054

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: California

County: Colusa

Congressman, District: Lynn Westmoreland (R) – 3rd district; Tom Graves (R) – 14th district

Senators: Dianne Feinstein (D) and Barbara Boxer (D)

Recipient: Colusa County Office of Education

Recipient Contact: Ms. Rebecca Van Kleeck

Mailing Address: 345 Fifth Street
Colusa, California 95932-2717

Email Address: rvankleeck@ccoe.net

Telephone: 530-458-0350 ext. 10319

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to add new, interactive videoconferencing and audio-visual equipment into four (4) school district offices, seven (7) preschools and child care centers, and seven (7) K-12 schools. This project will also use video-enabled mobile devices and collaboration infrastructure software to deliver distance learning opportunities to students, parents, teachers, and communities. Some of the objectives are to use the synchronous and asynchronous videoconferencing and playback available with this technology to provide more out-of-school access options and cost effective education to low-income, disadvantaged rural communities and stimulate parent involvement as well as to fill in educational gaps identified in consultation with community members in Colusa County by targeting the following areas: (1) access to bilingual

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educational programming to increase literacy, English proficiency, and early academic achievement in our early learners (infants, toddlers, preschoolers and K-3 students); access to expanded curriculum, including college-preparatory, special education/ support services, and extracurricular and cultural learning opportunities to increase academic achievement.

Other Funding:	\$380,570 (cash match)
Total Project Cost:	\$873,624



Field Contact: Terry Kokinda
Phone: (615) 451-9498
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$269,905

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Tennessee

County: Hamilton, Grundy

Congressman, District: Fleischmann-3rd

Senators: Alexander, Corker

Recipient: Chattanooga Hamilton County Hospital Authority

Recipient Contact: Mr. Donald Mueller, Vice President and CEO

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Telephone: 423-778-6256

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish a telemedicine network in rural Grundy County, Tennessee. The county currently only has one pediatric clinic. The project will expand the availability of pediatric services county wide. This will be accomplished by installing telemedicine equipment in seven Grundy county schools. The project will allow students in the schools to be seen by a practitioner at Children's Hospital at Erlanger over a secure connection in the nurses' office while remaining at school. Grundy County, TN, the location of the seven End-User sites, is a Strike Force Area.

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Other Funding:	\$269,905
Total Project Cost:	\$539,810



Field Contact: Dominic A. Henderson

Phone: (218) 765-3854

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$50,000

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Minnesota

County: Aitken, Chisago, Isanti, Mille Lacs, and Pine

Congressman, District: Richard Nolan, 8th

Senators: Amy Klobuchar & Alan “Al” Franken

Recipient: East Central Minnesota Educational Cable Cooperative

Recipient Contact: Marc Johnson, Executive Director

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Email Address: mjohnson@ecmecc.org

Telephone: (320) 396-5211

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to expand educational opportunities to students in 10 schools through video-based instruction. This project will focus on workforce and college readiness as well as used to preserve the Ojibwe language and culture through distance learning. Benefits include increased academic performance and improved student learning. This project includes sites within a tribal jurisdictional areas.

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Other Funding:	\$26,299 Matching
Total Project Cost:	\$76,299



Field Contact: Joe Bradley
Phone: 208-401-8090
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$98,713

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Oregon

Counties: OR – Lane, and Lake; CA – Modoc

Congressman, District: OR – Greg Walden (R) – 2nd district; Peter DeFazio (D) – 4th district
CA – Doug LaMalfa (R) – 1st district

Senators: OR – Jeff Merkley (D) and Ron Wyden (D)
CA – Dianne Feinstein (D) and Barbara Boxer (D)

Recipient: Lake Health District dba Lake District Hospital

Recipient Contact: Ms. Meera Norris

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Lakeview, Oregon 97630-9226

Email Address: MNorris@LakeHealthDistrict.org

Telephone: 541-947-2114 ext. 198

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment at a hub and 4 end-user sites which will improve public health by directly addressing the mental health challenges facing the communities and will virtually shorten the distance between patient and provider thus decreasing wait times to see physicians. This project will address the needs of the communities by establishing video conferencing equipment and the supporting network technologies in the rural sites and connecting them with the advanced content and programming at the HUB site. Video conferencing will also facilitate public health awareness, preventative medicine, and health education programming to

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increase health outcomes.

Other Funding:	\$50,194 (cash match)
Total Project Cost:	\$148,907



Field Contact: Roger A. Meeks

Phone: (402) 420-1467

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$100,144

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Chase, Cherry, Custer, Keith, Lincoln, and Red Willow

Congressman, District: Adrian Smith, 3rd

Senators: Deb Fischer & Benjamin Sasse

Recipient: Mid-Plains Community College

Recipient Contact: Bonnie Kruse, Area Grants Coordinator

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Telephone: (308) 535-3682

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video conferencing equipment that will deliver courses to 4 extended campuses and a rural college. This project, named “*Connecting Opportunities for Rural Nebraskans*” (CORN), will provide college course content and trainings through improved video streaming technology. Benefits include improved and enhanced course delivery, increased course offerings, and convenient course access.

Other Funding: \$102,471 Matching

Total Project Cost: \$202,615

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Field Contact: Richard Jenkins

Phone: (681) 318-3236

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$153,082

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Virginia

County: Albemarle, Dickenson, Buchanan, Washington, Wise, Smyth, Tazewell, Bath, Henry

Congressman, District: Robert Hurt, VA 5th Dist; Bob Goodlatte, VA 6th Dist; Morgan Griffith, VA 9th Dist.

Senators: Mark Warner, Tim Kaine

Recipient: The Rectors & Visitors of the University of Virginia

Recipient Contact: Dr. Karen S. Rheuban

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Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used by the *UVA Center for Telehealth* to invest in an advanced telepresence system to provide 11 community health centers with access to specialty care i.e., oncology, endocrinology, psychiatry, emergency stroke care & chronic diseases in 9 USDA-designated Strike Force counties. Two mobile Health Wagons will canvass 6 of these counties to provide on-site primary care & telemedicine videoconferencing with specialty doctors & clinicians.

Other Funding: \$80,706

Total Project Cost: \$233,788



Field Contact: Ron Mellon
Phone: (989) 567-2400
Obligation Date: July 6, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$185,791

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Ohio, West Virginia

County: Washington, Tyler, Pleasants, Wood, Noble

Congressman, District: [(Ohio) Johnson-6th], [(West Virginia) Mckinley -1st]

Senators: [(Ohio) Brown, Portman], [(West Virginia), Manchin III, Capito]

Recipient: Marietta Memorial Hospital

Recipient Contact: Ms. Daneka Hedges, Executive Director

Mailing Address: 401 Matthew Street, Marietta Ohio 45750-1699

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Telephone: 740-374-4914

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to establish the Ohio River Telemedicine Project. The project will provide telemedicine services to rural areas in southeastern Ohio and in northwestern West Virginia. Marietta Memorial Hospital located in Marietta, Ohio, will provide services to 14 hospitals and clinics; creating the first ever telemedicine system in the region. The St. Mary's Diagnostic clinic is located in the Strike Force county of Pleasants. The region has endemic poverty, healthcare provider shortages, and high rates of heart disease, chronic disease, and lung cancer. The telemedicine

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system will benefit rural residents by connecting them to care and improving the care available in the region.

Other Funding:	\$101,544
Total Project Cost:	\$287,335



Field Contact: Roger A. Meeks

Phone: (402) 420-1467

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$209,663

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Nebraska

County: Nebraska: Boyd, Dawson, Furnas, Harlan, Jefferson, Johnson, Kimball,
Lancaster, Merrick, Richardson, and Webster
Missouri: Atchison

Congressman, District: Nebraska: Jeff Fortenberry, 1st; and Adrian Smith, 3rd
Missouri: Sam Graves, 6th

Senators: Nebraska: Deb Fischer & Benjamin Sasse
Missouri: Claire McCaskill & Roy Blunt

Recipient: Rural Health Partners, Inc. dba Heartland Health Alliance

Recipient Contact: Brian Bossard

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 9, Holbrook, Nebraska 68948

Email Address: brian.bossard@bryanhealth.org

Telephone: (402) 481-4780

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase telemedicine carts for 11 rural hospitals. These carts will help rural patients by providing access to tele-emergency, tele-mental health triage, tele-hospitalist, and tele-specialist consulting services. Additionally, this project will assist in the retention and recruitment of physicians, boost inpatient volume, and provide access to a wide variety of quality healthcare services.

Other Funding: \$165,000 Matching

Total Project Cost: \$374,663

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Field Contact: Rocky Chenelle

Phone: (530) 379-5032

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$301,821

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: California

County: Sacramento, Calaveras, Siskiyou, Nevada

Congressman, District: Rep. Doug LaMalfa [R]; CA-1st
Rep. Tom McClintock [R]; CA-4th
Rep. Ami Bera [D]; CA-7th

Senators: Sen. Dianne Feinstein [D] and Sen. Barbara Boxer [D]

Recipient: Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation

Recipient Contact: Mrs. Kimberly Parker

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Telephone: 530-177-9700

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase telemedicine carts with accessories for seven (7) healthcare clinics in rural California and provide connection to medical professionals at the Mercy San Juan Medical Center. This will make advanced specialty care more accessible to rural residents, reduce patient travel and transfers, reduce emergency room visits, and support rural healthcare providers.

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Other Funding:	\$135,604
Total Project Cost	\$437,425



Field Contact: Kenrick (Rick) Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$312,744

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Maine

County: Penobscot, Androscoggin, Hancock, Piscataquis, Aroostook

Congressman, District: Bruce Poliquin ME-2nd Dist. .

Senators: Susan Collins, Angus King

Recipient: Regional School Unit #87 dba Maine School Administrative District #23

Recipient Contact: John B. Backus, Superintendent of Schools

Mailing Address: 44 Plymouth Rd Carmel, ME 04419

Email Address: jbackus@rsu87.org

Telephone: (207) 848-5173

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to purchase video-telepresence equipment that will enable real-time distance learning among MSAD #23, the University of Maine, United Technologies Center, RSU #34, RSU #25, RSU #31, RSU #63, RSU #67 and the Houlton Band of the Maliseet Indians' Head Start Program to provide access to live interactive educational activities i.e., Advanced Placement & dual-enrollment college classes, vocational training, professional development and continuing education courses.

Other Funding: \$235,929

Total Project Cost: \$548,673



Field Contact: Michael Becker

Phone: (972) 780-7832

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$369,751

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant
State: Oklahoma
Counties: Carter, Coal, Comanche, Garvin, Johnston, Love, Marshall, Murray
Congressman, District: Mullin OK-2nd Dist. & Cole OK-4th Dist.
Senators: Inhofe & Lankford
Recipient: Murray State College
Recipient Contact: Dr. Aaron Elmer
Mailing Address: 1 Murray Campus Street, Tishomingo, Oklahoma 73460
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Telephone: (580) 387-7501

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used by one small rural community college and 13 public high schools that are located in Tribal Jurisdictions, StrikeForce area, and Promise zone of south-central Oklahoma. Murray State College will provide college preparation activities to students to improve college-readiness; Further the professional development of school district professional staff; Serve rural community's need for Fire and Emergency Preparedness Preplanning and adult education opportunities.

Other Funding: \$114,670
Total Project Cost: \$484,421



Field Contact: Richard E. Jenkins

Phone: (681) 318-3236

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$499,950.52

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: West Virginia

County: Clay, Pleasants, Raleigh, Roane, and Wood

Congressman, District: David McKinley, 1st; Alex Mooney, 2nd; and Evan Jenkins, 3rd

Senators: Joe Manchin III & Shelley Capito

Recipient: Roane County School District

Recipient Contact: Jerry Garner, Superintendent

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Telephone: (304) 927-6400

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to provide video conferencing equipment to 19 schools. Benefits include 1) increase academic achievement, 2) ensure college/career readiness, 3) address professional development, 4) aid special needs children, and 5) improve student's social, emotional, and physical health. Roane County is a Strike Force county in West Virginia.

Other Funding: \$158,411.33 Matching

Total Project Cost: \$658,361.85

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Field Contact: Kenrick Gordon

Phone: (717) 761-3280

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$430,939

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Pennsylvania

County: Montgomery, PA; Washoe, NV; Plumas, CA; Lander, NV; Lyon, NV

Congressman, District: Rep. Brendan Boyle [D]; PA-13th
Rep. Mark Amodei [R]; NV-2nd
Rep. Crescent Hardy [R]; NV-4th
Rep. Doug LaMalfa [R]; CA-1st

Senators: Sen. Robert Casey Jr. [D] and Sen. Patrick Toomey [R] – PA
Sen. Harry Reid [D] and Sen. Dean Heller [R] – NV
Sen. Dianne Feinstein [D] and Sen. Barbara Boxer [D] - CA

Recipient: Universal Health Services, Inc.

Recipient Contact: Mariam Madanat

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Telephone: 610-382-4884

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to offer remote cardiology and healthcare to patients located in three rural communities in northern Nevada and northern California. The rural health clinics will use teleconferencing equipment to connect to specialists at the

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Northern Nevada Medical Center. The goal of the project is to reduce the incidence of health disease, stroke, and other chronic diseases which are a major cause of death in these communities. There are 5 sites in this project. Battle Mountain General Hospital located in Battle Mountain, Nevada is a Strike Forcer area.

Other Funding: \$332,800

Total Project Cost \$763,739



Field Contact: Joe Bradley
Phone: 208-288-1435
Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$457,028

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: Washington

County: Chelan, Okanogan, Stevens

Congressman, District: Rep. Dan Newhouse [R]; WA-4th
Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers [R]; WA-5th
Rep. David Reichert [R]; WA-8th

Senators: Sen. Patty Murray [D] and Sen. Maria Cantwell [D]

Recipient: Wenatchee Valley College

Recipient Contact: Andrew Tudor

Mailing Address: 1300 5th Street, Wenatchee, Washington, 98801

Email Address: ahersh-tudor@wvc.edu

Telephone: 509-682-6715

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to connect the Wenatchee Valley College campus in Wenatchee, Washington with nineteen rural hub/end-user sites in rural Washington. Distance learning programs provided under the grant will be inclusive of: dual enrollment for high school students, professional development programs for K-12 teachers, workforce development programs including health care and education continuing education and certifications, and, post-secondary education including an RN to

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BSN program. This project includes a hub/end-user site located on the Colville Reservation.

Other Funding:	\$142,028
Total Project Cost	\$599,056



Field Contact: Richard Jenkins

Phone: (304) 645-1947

Obligation Date: June 29, 2016

PROJECT SELECTION NOTICE

Rural Development has approved a grant of \$499,951

Program: Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

State: West Virginia

County: Pocahontas County, Webster County

Congressman, District: Jenkins-3rd

Senators: Manchin III, Capito

Recipient: Pocahontas County Board of Education

Recipient Contact: Ms. Ruth Anne Bland, Technology Coordinator

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Email Address: rbland@k12.wv.us

Telephone: 304-799-4505, ext 2224

Project Description: Rural Development funds will be used to place video conferencing equipment at 12 end user sites (consisting of schools and a preschool), at the Pocahontas County Free Library and at the Pocahontas County Public School District office. The project will allow Pocahontas County and Webster county schools to interconnect with each other to gain access to new learning material, expertise, and staff. The project will give rural students access to additional courses that will make them better prepared for state administered tests, college entrance exams, and for the job market.

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The project will also partner with the National Radio Astronomy Observatory for advanced coding classes. Webster County is designated as a USDA Strike Force zone.

Other Funding:	\$159,405
Total Project Cost:	\$659,356