

**Community Connect Broadband Grant Program
Award Summaries**

ALABAMA

R&S Communications, LLC

Vina Town, Alabama

Grant Amount: \$570,800

Contact: Richard Beesmer, (800) 801-4078

County: Franklin

Congressional District: AL4 (project); VA9 (awardee)

R&S Communications, LLC will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to rural community of Vina Town, Alabama through a fixed wireless network. The network will provide high speed Internet services to all critical community facilities, residents and businesses. R&S Communications will provide all critical community organizations within Vina Town with free broadband service for at least two years. A community center will be established where free broadband service will be available to all residents and where free training and educational classes will be offered.

ARKANSAS

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc.

Birdsong Town, Arkansas

Grant Amount: \$570,800

Contact: Nidhin Johnson, (630) 206-0447

County: Mississippi

Congressional District: AR1 (project); IL9 (awardee)

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide wireless broadband services to the community of Birdsong Town, Arkansas. The location of the community in Tornado Alley has made its residents prime targets of catastrophic tornados. Real time weather radar and national weather updates are critical in saving lives, especially in remote areas without adequate tornado warning sirens. Broadband Internet access will allow local residents to receive advanced weather warnings. The community center and volunteer fire department will also receive broadband service free of charge for two years.

Cable Partner.Net, Inc.

Whelen Springs Town, Arkansas

Grant Amount: \$570,800

Contact: Arun Jayaprakash, (877) 725-6342
County: Clark
Congressional District: AR4 (project); TX24 (awardee)

Rural Utilities Service funds will be used to provide broadband services to the community of Whelen Springs Town, Arkansas through a wireless network. The city hall, post office and community center will receive two years of free broadband access. A community center will be established as part of the project and the awardee plans on conducting free classes for residents covering computer related subjects. The community will benefit from increased public safety, improved health care, additional educational opportunities, and other economic benefits.

CALIFORNIA

Karuk Tribe
Orleans, California
Grant Amount: \$1,141,870
Contact: Eric Cutright, (530) 493-1604
County: Humboldt
Congressional District: CA2 (project); CA2 (awardee)

The Karuk Tribe will use grant funds from the Rural Utilities Service to provide wireless broadband services to the residents, businesses and critical community facilities in Orleans, California. The community will benefit from increased public safety, improved health care, additional educational opportunities, and other economic benefits. Free broadband Internet access will be provided to the local library, elementary school and volunteer fire department.

KENTUCKY

Inter Mountain Cable, Inc.
Endicott, Kentucky
Grant Amount: \$993,339
Contact: Paul Greenheart, (606) 479-6254
County: Floyd
Congressional District: KY5 (project); KY5 (awardee)

Inter Mountain Cable, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the rural community of Endicott, Kentucky through a hybrid fiber coax network. A community center will be established as part of the project where local residents can access the Internet for free and where the grantee will provide

computer/internet training workshops. Free broadband Internet access will be provided to the community center and volunteer fire department for two years.

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc.

Heidelberg, Kentucky

Grant Amount: \$576,400

Contact: Nidhin Johnson, (630) 206-0447

County: Lee

Congressional District: KY5 (project); IL9 (awardee)

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to Heidelberg, Kentucky through a hybrid fiber coax network. A new community center will be established, providing the residents with continuing adult education through on-line courses and a meeting place for the community's private groups and clubs. The community center and local post office will receive broadband Internet service free of charge for two years.

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc.

Yellow Rock, Kentucky

Grant Amount: \$583,400

Contact: Nidhin Johnson, (630) 206-0447

County: Lee

Congressional District: KY5 (project); IL9 (awardee)

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the small town of Yellow Rock, Kentucky through a hybrid fiber coax network. The community is often threatened by severe weather conditions, including tornados. Real time weather radar and national weather updates are critical in saving lives. Broadband Internet access will allow the community's fire and rescue personnel the ability to receive virtual real time weather warning updates which saves lives. The community center and local schools will receive broadband Internet service free of charge for two years.

LOUISIANA

Nexus Systems, Inc.

Larto, Louisiana

Grant Amount: \$1,116,505

Contact: Mark Stevenson, (318) 340-0750

County: Catahoula

Congressional District: LA5 (project); LA5 (awardee)

Nexus Systems, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide wireless broadband services to the residents, businesses and critical community facilities in the rural community of Larto, Louisiana. The Larto-Mayna Water District, Fire District #2, Larto Recreational Center, Central School, Catahoula Parish Sheriff's substation and the Larto community center will all receive broadband service free of charge for two years. The project will also provide web-based community resources for community bulletin boards, web hosting and community directories, and provide resources that address the educational, public safety, economic and health care needs of the community.

Nexus Systems, Inc.

Manifest, Louisiana

Grant Amount: \$1,116,505

Contact: Mark Stevenson, (318) 340-0750

County: Catahoula

Congressional District: LA5 (project); LA5 (awardee)

Nexus Systems, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide wireless broadband services to the residents, businesses and critical community facilities in the rural community of Manifest, Louisiana. Free broadband service will be provided to the fire department, water district, Catahoula Parish Sheriff's Substation, Head Start, Aspire School and the Manifest community center for two years. The project will provide web-based community resources for community bulletin boards, web hosting and community directories, and provide resources that address the educational, public safety, economic and health care needs of the community.

MISSOURI

Plateau Wireless, LLC

Brumley Town, Missouri

Grant Amount: \$570,800

Contact: James Bradley, (603) 763-7390

County: Miller

Congressional District: MO9 (project); NH2 (awardee)

Plateau Wireless, LLC will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the rural community of Brumley Town, Missouri through a fixed wireless network. The network will provide high speed Internet services to all critical community facilities, residents and businesses. A community center will be established as part of the project and the awardee plans on scheduling free training and educational classes for residents. The Miller County Sheriff's Office, Brumley Fire Department, Miller County Ambulance District, Osage Beach Ambulance, Post Office and community center will all receive broadband service free of charge for two years.

Plateau Wireless, LLC
Olean Town, Missouri
Grant Amount: \$570,800
Contact: James Bradley, (603) 763-7390
County: Miller
Congressional District: MO9 (project); NH2 (awardee)

Plateau Wireless, LLC will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the residents, businesses and critical community facilities in the rural community of Olean Town, Missouri through a fixed wireless network. A community center will be established as part of the project and the awardee plans on scheduling free training and educational classes for residents. All critical community facilities in the community will receive broadband service free of charge for two years.

NEVADA

Arizona Nevada Tower Corporation
Gabbs City, Nevada
Grant Amount: \$1,046,798
Contact: Kevin Hayes, (702) 454-2682
County: Nye
Congressional District: NV2 (project); NV3 (awardee)

Arizona Nevada Tower Corporation will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the small rural community in northwestern Nye County of Gabbs City, Nevada with a wireless network. The Gabbs School, local library, community center, and volunteer EMS and fire departments will receive broadband Internet service free of charge for two years. In addition, educational and employment training programs will be offered at the community center.

OHIO

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc.
Stafford Village, Ohio
Grant Amount: \$570,800
Contact: Nidhin Johnson, (630) 206-0447
County: Monroe
Congressional District: OH6 (project); IL9 (awardee)

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide wireless broadband services to the rural community of Stafford Village, Ohio. The

community often experiences severe weather conditions. Broadband Internet access will provide the town of Stafford with the ability to receive virtual real time weather warning updates. This will allow for faster requests for emergency medical crews and support as well as speed the communications within the community itself. The community center and volunteer fire department will receive broadband Internet service free of charge for two years.

OKLAHOMA

Wichita Online, Inc.

Cornish Town, Oklahoma

Grant Amount: \$494,000

Contact: Dustin Hilliary, (580) 529-2700

County: Jefferson

Congressional District: OK4 (project); OK4 (awardee)

Wichita Online, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the residents, businesses and critical community facilities in the rural community of Cornish Town, Oklahoma through a fixed wireless network. All critical community facilities in the community will receive broadband service free of charge for two years. A community center will be established as part of the project and the awardee plans on scheduling free training and educational classes for residents.

Wichita Online, Inc.

Leon Town, Oklahoma

Grant Amount: \$481,000

Contact: Dustin Hilliary, (580) 529-2700

County: Love

Congressional District: OK4 (project); OK4 (awardee)

Wichita Online, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the rural community of Leon Town, Oklahoma through a fixed wireless network. The network will provide high speed Internet services to critical community facilities, residents and businesses and all critical community facilities in the community will receive broadband service free of charge for two years. A community center will be established as part of the project and the awardee plans on scheduling free training and educational classes for residents.

Wichita Online, Inc.

Tushka Town, Oklahoma

Grant Amount: \$480,000

Contact: Dustin Hilliary, (580) 529-2700
County: Atoka
Congressional District: OK2 (project); OK4 (awardee)

Wichita Online, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the residents, businesses and critical community facilities in the rural community of Tushka Town, Oklahoma through a fixed wireless network. All critical community facilities in the community will receive broadband service free of charge for two years. On April 14, 2011 this community was hit by an EF3 tornado which killed two people and destroyed or damaged a number of structures in the community. This award will help to provide critical infrastructure to this devastated community and bring new opportunities for economic development.

VIRGINIA

Scott County Telephone Cooperative
Flat Top, Virginia
Grant Amount: \$1,500,000
Contact: William Franklin, (276) 452-9119
County: Dickenson
Congressional District: VA9 (project); VA9 (awardee)

Scott County Telephone Cooperative (SCTC) will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the rural community of Flat Top, Virginia through a FTTP network. The network will provide high speed Internet services to all critical community facilities, residents and businesses. The Flat Top/ Sandy Ridge Volunteer Fire Department and community center will receive broadband service free of charge for two years. A community center will be constructed as part of the project where free broadband service will be available to community residents for two years.

WEST VIRGINIA

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc.
Panther, West Virginia
Grant Amount: \$571,900
Contact: Nidhin Johnson, (630) 206-0447
County: McDowell
Congressional District: WV3 (project); IL9 (awardee)

Crystal Broadband Networks, Inc. will use Rural Utilities Service funds to provide broadband services to the community of Panther, West Virginia through a hybrid fiber coax network. A community center will be established as part of the project, where free

broadband service will be available to community residents for two years. The community center, post office and volunteer fire department will receive broadband Internet service free of charge for two years. In addition, Crystal Broadband Networks will provide local residents with educational and employment trainings.