

## Rural Telecommunications Programs

### Public Television Digital Transition Grants

The purpose of the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Public Television Station Digital Transition Grant Program (Grant Program) was to enable public television stations serving rural areas transition from Analog Television Broadcasting to Digital Television Broadcasting.

As part of the nation's transition to digital television, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) required all television broadcasters to have converted their transmitters to broadcast digital signals by June 12, 2009. However after this deadline the program continued to fund qualified Broadcasting Television Stations with the digital broadcast equipment needs, such as rural translators, associated engineering and environmental studies until 2014.

Congress made Grant funds available to noncommercial educational television broadcast stations converting from Analog operations to Digital operations in rural areas. Grant Funds were awarded through a competitive process to fund digital transmitters, translators and repeaters, regardless of the location of their main transmitter, studio-to-transmitter links, as well as equipment's that allowed local control over digital content and programming through the usage of high definition broadcast, multi-casting and datacasting technologies.

The following are Grant recipient awardees for this program:

- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2014
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2013
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2012.
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2011.
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2010.
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2009.
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2008.
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2007.
- [Recipient Project Summaries](#) of Fiscal Year 2006.

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