

USDA Rural Development Broadband Technical Assistance Program Round 2

State	Recipient	Cooperative Agreement Amount	Description
Alabama	JMF Solutions, Inc.	\$973,890	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 21 communities across the counties of Barbour, Bibb, Chilton, Clarke, Clay, Greene, Monroe, Washington and Wilcox in Alabama. JMF Solutions Inc. will provide technical assistance, education and training to promote the expansion of broadband services in the selected communities.
Alaska	Meridian Management Inc.	\$850,980.50	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of Manokotak, Clarks Point and Ekuk in the Dillingham Census Area, Alaska. Meridian Management Inc. will provide a complete design and associated permitting for an affordable, high-speed, urban-quality broadband network, serving communities in Dillingham Census Area.
Alaska	Ayers Telecom Consulting, LLC	\$936,355.25	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of McGrath in Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area and Napaimute, Chuathbaluk, and Aniak in Bethel Census Area in Alaska. Ayers Telecom Consulting LLC will assess the feasibility and technical details associated with the deployment of a fiber optic cable in the selected communities including cost, technical methods and operational considerations.

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Alaska, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin, West Virginia	National Lead for America, Inc.	\$916,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the following rural communities: Dillingham Census Area, Alaska, Custer County, Colorado, Calhoun County, Georgia, Clay County, Georgia, Seminole County, Georgia, Clark County, Idaho, Woodson County, Kansas, Nicholas County, Kentucky, Ozark County, Missouri, Mineral County, Montana, Esmeralda County, Nevada, Wheeler County, Oregon, Jeff Davis County, Texas, Ferry County, Washington, Florence County, Wisconsin and Webster County, West Virginia. National Lead for America Inc. will provide full-time support to American Connection Corps (ACC) members across the 16 targeted rural communities for the 2025-26 ACC program year. Members will deliver on-the-ground capacity to local nonprofit organizations and public agencies who are at the beginning stages of their broadband planning activities.
Arizona	Pima County	\$487,733	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 18 communities across Pima and Santa Cruz counties in Arizona. Pima County in partnership with neighboring Santa Cruz County will utilize funding to complete a broadband gap and feasibility study outlining details about the status of broadband and recommendations for future expansion in the identified communities. The project will equip the administration of both counties with the facts needed to create broadband expansion projects in rural areas of the region.
Arizona	Mohave Electric Cooperative, Incorporated	\$1,000,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in seven communities across Mohave County in Arizona. Mohave Electric Cooperative Incorporated (MEC) will complete pre-construction activities of the final segment within the Eastern Service territory of MEC's fiber broadband project.

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Arkansas, Mississippi	Communities Unlimited, Inc.	\$1,000,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 23 communities, including 10 communities across Jefferson, Lincoln, Phillips, Columbia, Lafayette and Nevada counties in Arkansas and 13 communities across Bolivar and Coahoma counties in Mississippi. Communities Unlimited Inc. will promote broadband expansion in the selected communities by educating and empowering community stakeholders, gathering data to identify needs and challenges, facilitating introductions to internet service providers (ISPs) and supporting access to federal funds.
California	WiConduit	\$228,500	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 15 communities across Sonoma, Mendocino, and Humboldt counties in California. WiConduit will utilize funding to support the creation of a community governed broadband network, including hiring consultants, conducting feasibility studies and planning, developing a network design and engineering plans, identifying funding opportunities and securing additional resources, facilitating knowledge sharing and capacity building and enabling implementation and project management.
California	Electryon Tech LLC DBA JackrabbitGo	\$250,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of Johnson Valley and Rimrock, Landers and Homestead Valley, Sunfair Heights and Desert Heights, and Wonder Valley and Old Dale in San Bernardino County, California. Electryon Tech LLC DBA JackrabbitGo will conduct feasibility studies, develop network designs and secure funding to bring quality broadband to the identified communities.

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California	CENIC California Middle Mile Broadband Initiative, LLC	\$1,000,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 23 communities across Humboldt and Trinity counties in California. CENIC California Middle Mile Broadband Initiative LLC will provide comprehensive needs assessments and roadmaps featuring individualized information that can be used in “grant packets” for each community consisting of a technical plan for connectivity in the community and a detailed analysis of service availability.
California, New Mexico, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Louisiana, Arizona, Texas	Institute for Local Self-Reliance Inc.	\$966,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 35 communities across California, New Mexico, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Louisiana, Arizona, and Texas. Institute for Local Self-Reliance Inc. will utilize funding to stimulate the construction of new broadband infrastructure on Tribal Lands, increase the number of tribally owned and operated broadband networks, improve competition, and provide practical technical, financial, organizational and capacity-building assistance.
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands	Office of the Governor	\$500,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet on the island of Rota, the island of Tinian and the Northern Islands in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). The CNMI Broadband Policy and Development Office will secure technical assistance and pre-engineering design studies necessary for the expansion of broadband infrastructure in the targeted communities.

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Florida	IBT Group USA, LLC	\$296,913.85	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the City of Arcadia, Southeast Arcadia and unincorporated regions southwest of Arcadia in DeSoto County, Florida. IBT Group USA LLC will develop the materials and conditions necessary to enable the targeted communities to apply for and secure broadband deployment funding including identifying barriers, developing network designs and developing a strategic plan.
Guam	Guam Power Authority	\$500,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 15 rural communities across Guam. Guam Power Authority (GPA) will utilize funding to conduct a feasibility study to determine the equipment and infrastructure needed to design a high-speed broadband network and to determine what infrastructure is needed for the growth of data centers. By integrating these technologies and working with local telecommunication businesses, GPA can offer comprehensive services that benefit both energy management and broadband connectivity.
Idaho	Imagine Idaho Foundation	\$881,006	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the counties of Benewah, Elmore, Franklin, Latah, Owyhee and Power in Idaho. Imagine Idaho Foundation will provide project management and technical assistance coordination with the goal of helping the six partner counties develop a fundable broadband infrastructure project and prepare a competitive application for federal broadband funding.

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Indiana	Community Foundation of Pulaski County, Inc.	\$50,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in Pulaski County, Indiana. Community Foundation of Pulaski County Inc. will develop a comprehensive strategic plan to ensure the entire county has access to a broadband connection, including developing a broadband engineering map of the county, identifying and engaging service providers and addressing development and funding opportunities for broadband access implementation.
Kentucky	Shaping Our Appalachian Region, Inc	\$990,872	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in Bell, Clay, Harlan, Knox, Letcher, Martin, and Whitley counties in Kentucky. Shaping Our Appalachian Region Inc will utilize funding to provide the expertise, capacity and resources to develop concrete financial and operational broadband plans to address gaps in broadband service in the selected communities.
Kentucky	Bluegrass Fiber, LLC	\$405,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 58 communities across Owen, Henry, Shelby, Franklin, Anderson, Woodford, and Spencer counties in Kentucky. Bluegrass Fiber LLC will utilize funding to evaluate broadband connectivity in the selected communities and explore network expansion from fixed wireless to fiber to the premises (FTTP).

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Kentucky	Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corp Inc	\$485,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 12 communities across Rowan County in Kentucky. Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corp Inc will utilize funding to analyze the opportunity to expand its fiber to the premises (FTTP) network and ensure broadband connectivity for the selected rural communities.
Louisiana	Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission	\$358,822.80	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 44 communities across the parishes of Rapides, Evangeline, Vernon, Jefferson Davis, Calcasieu, Allen, Vermilion, Acadia, and Beauregard in Louisiana. Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission will create a workforce growth initiative to stimulate development of fiber optic technicians in the area by collaborating with SOWELA Technical Community College and expanding their fiber optic training program to three additional campuses. Funds will be used to conduct detailed workforce needs assessments and the campus expansion will enable SOWELA to train more fiber optic technicians to support broadband expansion in rural Southwestern Louisiana.
Louisiana	Kisatchie-Delta Regional Planning & Development District	\$1,000,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 24 communities across the parishes of Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, and Winn in Louisiana. Kisatchie-Delta Regional Planning & Development District will conduct community engagement, project planning and data collection; gather technical design information to support broadband services; research community needs and barriers; prepare reports to document broadband services; and facilitate expanded access to federal resources.

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Michigan	Merit Network Inc	\$831,864.67	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in eight communities across Osceola, Oscado, Van Buren, Clare, and Calhoun counties in Michigan. Merit Network Inc will utilize funding to develop an infrastructure strategy through a series of facilitated workshops, surveys and community programs. The deliverables can be used to support infrastructure grant narratives, identify metrics for broader social outcomes related to connectivity, plan for the construction and deployment of universal broadband service, support existing broadband cooperatives and encourage the formation of new cooperative groups and create healthy digital ecosystems built on local programming.
Missouri	Smart Link Technologies LLC	\$498,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in Shannon, Carter, and Butler counties in Missouri. Smart Link Technologies LLC, in collaboration with Outpost Plus, will provide comprehensive technical assistance, including conducting feasibility studies; developing broadband deployment plans; and fostering strong partnerships with local governments, community organizations and other key stakeholders.
Missouri	The Curators of the University of Missouri	\$138,883	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in Butler County, Missouri. The Curators of the University of Missouri will utilize funding to compile the data, studies and input necessary to produce a comprehensive and actionable plan for the expansion of broadband services in the targeted communities.

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Montana	InterBel Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	\$400,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in five communities across Flathead County in Montana. InterBel Telephone Cooperative Inc. will utilize funding to implement InterBel's "Rural Connections," an initiative focused on strengthening internal capabilities in strategic planning, community engagement and deployment strategies.
Montana	Northern Cheyenne Tribe	\$278,116.86	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of Lame Deer, Ashland, and Birney in Rosebud County, Montana and the communities of Busby and Muddy in Big Horn County, Montana. Northern Cheyenne Tribe will complete a feasibility study to analyze and improve operations of broadband carriers as well as provide funding for software implementation and training.
New Mexico	Rio Arriba County	\$330,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in eight communities across Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Rio Arriba County will identify effective broadband solutions and generate the comprehensive data necessary to secure further infrastructure funding. The project aims to assess the county's current broadband landscape and understand the specific needs of its communities to support further investment needed to build a robust broadband infrastructure.

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New Mexico	Hawk Networks, Inc.	\$226,857.50	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 17 communities across Grant County in New Mexico. Hawk Networks Inc. will conduct a broadband feasibility study, a needs assessment, technical planning, and a grant preparedness strategy. The project aims to equip key stakeholders from both public and private sectors with the necessary tools and insights to secure funding and implement future-proof broadband networks, as well as to develop a robust blueprint for extending digital infrastructure to other unconnected regions in the southwestern United States.
New Mexico	De Baca County	\$160,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in De Baca County, New Mexico. De Baca County will utilize funding to conduct feasibility studies, community outreach and network assessments.
New York	Mohawk Valley Economic Development District, Inc.	\$195,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in seven communities across Otsego County, New York. Mohawk Valley Economic Development District Inc. will utilize funding to conduct regional outreach, identify public and private financial resources, build relationships with internet service providers (ISPs) and analyze the shifting broadband buildout maps and priorities.

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New York	The Fishers Island Telephone Corporation	\$131,800	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the community of Fishers Island in Suffolk County, New York. The Fishers Island Telephone Corporation will conduct a feasibility analysis, community engagement, financial modeling, and low-level design and engineering to ensure the long-term viability of fiber to the premises (FTTP) broadband expansion on Fishers Island.
New York	Heart of the Catskills Communications, Inc.	\$145,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of Denning in Ulster County, New York, and Claryville in Sullivan County, New York. Heart of the Catskills Communications Inc. will develop a comprehensive business plan to analyze the feasibility of providing broadband connectivity to the selected communities and to identify funding opportunities and develop an application to assist with the construction and build out of the network.
North Carolina	LREMC Technologies dba RIVR Tech	\$419,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet across Hoke, Cumberland, Moore, Robeson, and Scotland counties in North Carolina. LREMC Technologies dba RIVR Tech will perform pre-deployment work for a high-speed fiber optic broadband network in the identified counties including conducting market research; completing financial feasibility studies; performing mapping, engineering and network planning; conducting community outreach; and identifying funding opportunities.

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Ohio	Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission (OVRDC)	\$290,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the 12 counties of the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission (OVRDC) and the eight counties of the Buckeye Hills Regional Council (BHRC) in Ohio. OVRDC in partnership with BHRC will develop the tools, community leaders, and providers needed to plan and implement broadband buildouts in the targeted communities, including contracting with subject matter experts to develop baseline connectivity maps, sharing data with community partners, planning and deploying a stakeholder engagement strategy, helping communities apply for broadband project funding and publishing a regional snapshot broadband report.
Oregon	QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency	\$240,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in eight communities across Wasco County, Oregon. QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency will conduct a comprehensive feasibility analysis, develop a sustainable business plan, and establish partnerships that will support the long-term development of broadband infrastructure throughout the county.
Oregon	Sequoia Consulting, LLC	\$1,000,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 19 communities across Oregon. Sequoia Consulting LLC dba Rural Prosperity Partners (RPP) will enhance broadband services and optimize federal broadband funding distribution for rural and tribal communities in Oregon by improving Internet Service Provider (ISP) readiness, facilitating technical partnerships, reducing financial barriers and empowering community stakeholders.

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Puerto Rico	VPNet, Inc.	\$695,200	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 22 communities across the municipalities of Aibonito, Cayey, Patillas, Maunabo, Naguabo, and Ceiba in Puerto Rico. VPNet Inc. will provide technical assistance and training in support of the development and improvement of broadband services, including incorporating key learnings from hurricanes as they pertain to resiliency in the planning stage and design of broadband infrastructure.
South Carolina	Hampton County Government	\$218,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in eight communities across Hampton County, South Carolina. Hampton County Government will prepare a comprehensive feasibility study and promote broadband expansion.
South Dakota	Oglala Sioux Tribe	\$500,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in six communities across Bennett and Oglala Lakota counties in South Dakota. Oglala Sioux Tribe will develop a long-term sustainable broadband plan for the Pine Ridge Reservation, including analyzing the main factors affecting tribal sovereignty, network sustainability, broadband service affordability and current deployment-based broadband funding.

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Texas	Ciomperlik Enterprises, LLC DBA Bluebonnet Fiber	\$498,875.80	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 133 communities across Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, DeWitt, Gonzales, Karnes, Medina and Wilson counties in Texas. Ciomperlik Enterprises LLC DBA Bluebonnet Fiber will prepare reports that identify public and private resources to finance broadband facilities; prepare feasibility studies, financial forecasts, market surveys, environmental studies and technical designs to support the expansion of broadband access; prepare reports and surveys necessary to document the need for broadband services; determine price ranges; and request financial assistance.
Texas	The Sanborn Map Company, Inc	\$994,392.94	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the counties comprising the Deep East Texas Council of Governments in Texas. The Sanborn Map Company Inc will collect data on broadband availability, affordability and infrastructure improvement potential for the purpose of furnishing a Strategic Implementation Report to inform broadband expansion projects in the targeted communities.
Texas	Town of Pecos City	\$500,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of Pecos, Balmorhea, and Toyah across Reeves County, Texas. Town of Pecos City will conduct feasibility studies and market surveys to assess the current state of broadband access and identify specific areas where improvements are needed. The project will also involve technical assistance in the areas of project management, technical consulting, resource identification, contracting and application assistance to secure federal funding for broadband infrastructure.

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Washington	Tri County Economic Development District	\$82,000	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in six communities across Ferry County, Washington. Tri County Economic Development District will establish a technical assistance program aimed at developing and improving broadband infrastructure. Through collaboration with USDA and local and regional stakeholders, the project will provide the selected communities with technical assistance, business planning and placemaking opportunities.
Washington	Klick Networks, LLC	\$104,050	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in the communities of Trout Lake, BZ Corner and Husum in Klickitat County, Washington. Klick Networks LLC will complete community discovery, network designs, cultural resource plans, engineering and construction planning and applications for financial assistance.
Washington	Northwest Open Access Network (NoaNet)	\$508,300	This USDA Rural Development cooperative agreement will promote the expansion of high-speed internet in 146 communities across Washington State. Northwest Open Access Network (NoaNet) will support the NoaNet Broadband Skills Training Program, which aims to enhance broadband education in the Pacific Northwest, enabling these communities to benefit fully from broadband investments.
TOTAL		\$24,462,414	

