

## Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants FY 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending

State	Recipient	Grant Amount	Project Description
AR	Arkansas Department of Agriculture	\$1,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub site, three hub/end-user sites and 18 end-user sites throughout 26 counties in predominantly South and East Arkansas with portable telemedicine and distance learning equipment. Medical professionals at Jefferson Regional, Mainline Health Systems and Mid-Delta Health Systems will deliver behavioral health services, including mental health and substance use disorder treatment, to 21 locations benefitting approximately 86,843 individuals.
CA	Loma Linda University Medical Center	\$434,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip three end-user sites located in San Bernadino and Riverside counties in California with advance telemedicine equipment. Medical professionals located at Loma Linda University Medical Center will provide follow-up and specialty care via a secure telehealth platform to three end-user sites including Bear Valley Community Services District - Clinic, SAC Health - Blythe and SAC Health - Yermo benefitting approximately 3,554 patients.
CO	Colorado State University System	\$300,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip five hub/end-user sites located in Fremont, Teller, Custer and Chaffe counties in South-Central Colorado with interactive virtual learning labs and with virtual reality equipment. Instructors at CSU Extension--Fremont County, CSU Extension--Teller County, Cripple Creek-Victor Jr. Sr. High School and CSU Extension Mtn. Region office will provide virtual reality programming for distance education in STEM-based competencies including engineering, innovative agricultural technology and architectural design to 12 end-user sites to promote healthy outcomes, workforce readiness and positive youth development. This distance learning project is expected to benefit approximately
CO	The Regents of the University of Colorado	\$402,785	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub site and eight end-user sites located in Adams, Mineral, Rio Grande, Saguache, Costilla and Conejos counties in Colorado with advanced telemedicine equipment to support primary care providers in delivering high-quality care. Medical Professionals located at University of Colorado School of Medicine will utilize eConsults to provide specialty primary care to five end-user sites benefitting approximately 26,990 rural residents.
GA	Greater Valdosta United Way	\$213,000	This Rural Development investment will extend Georgia's 2-1-1 System to residents of 19 counties in rural South Georgia. The 2-1-1 service allows citizens to dial 211 from any phone to be connected to a live human services professional who will have the knowledge and skill set to connect the caller to the appropriate government agency or non-profit human service agency to meet their needs. The Greater Valdosta United Way (GVUW) will, via a memorandum of understanding, utilize the United Way of the Chattahoochee Valley (UWCV) as the call center for these additional counties. This funding will be used to pay for additional equipment, licenses, operators and training for the GVUW call center necessary to support the additional counties. An estimated 431,723 rural residents will benefit from this project.
IL	OSF Healthcare System	\$750,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip three mobile end-user locations that will service Fulton, Knox and Livingston counties in Illinois with digital enabled telehealth tools that will allow providers to assess patients. Medical professionals located at OSF Healthcare System in Peoria, Illinois will deliver healthcare service to three mobile units with medical professionals on board to provide ongoing and preventative healthcare benefitting approximately 16,000 individuals.
MI	Central Michigan University	\$500,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip four end-user sites located in Midland, Bay, Saginaw and Isabella counties in Michigan with virtual and augmented reality equipment and software applications. Professionals located at Central Michigan University (CMU) will provide distance education technology programming. Students will gain physical experiences with realistic 3D anatomical structures while receiving mobile robotic telepresence instruction from CMU faculty using remote presence devices. This project will leverage leading-edge distance learning technology to introduce and enhance the awareness of careers in healthcare benefitting approximately 300 students.
NJ	Abilities of Northwest Jersey Inc.	\$127,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip two hub/end-user sites and two end-user sites located in Hunterdon and Warren counties in New Jersey with distance learning equipment to provide individuals with disabilities access to learning and career opportunities. Educators located at three Abilities of Northwest locations including Phillipsburg, Flemington and Washington will use live script, voice recorders, AI voice recording, software license and Smart Boards to provide individualized support to four end-user sites benefitting 32 individuals.

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PA	Waynesburg University	\$680,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub site located in Waynesburg County, Pennsylvania with distance learning equipment to deliver online educational programs to students in Greene County, Pennsylvania. Instructors at Waynesburg University will deliver data analysis and information security curriculum via online course studies to approximately 400 students.
SC	South Carolina State University	\$1,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub/end-user site located in Orangeburg County in South Carolina with a telemedicine kiosk to enhance access to healthcare services. Medical professionals will virtually connect with patients in Orangeburg County providing telehealth services and benefitting approximately 1,800 individuals.
TN	Motlow State Community College	\$1,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub site and four hub/end-user sites located in Moore, Warren, Lincoln, White and Rutherford counties in Tennessee with distance learning equipment to expand upon current course offerings to rural students. Educators located at the Smyrna, Moore County, Fayetteville and McMinnville campuses will provide STEM learning in a more traditional classroom setting benefitting approximately 32,315 students.
TX	Texas A&M Health Science Center	\$170,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip five hub/end-user sites located in Menard, McCulloch, Kimble and San Saba counties in Texas with telemedicine equipment to provide high-quality healthcare services to local community members without burdensome travel. Medical professionals located at Texas A&M Health Science Center in College Station, Texas, in partnership with five local health clinics, will provide tele-specialty care using equipment such as a compatible vitals, telehealth monitor and dermascope to five end-user sites benefitting approximately 945 rural residents.
TX	Austin Community College District - Elgin	\$402,785	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub/end-user site located in Bastrop County, Texas with distance learning equipment. Instructors at Austin Community College - Elgin will deliver Agricultural Sciences and Culinary instruction in-person and online via "hyflex" courses benefitting at least 198 students.
TX	Texas A&M University-Commerce	\$1,750,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to equip one hub/end-user site and seven end-user sites located in Hunt County, Texas with telemedicine equipment to alleviate significant barriers to mental health care. Through a dynamic partnership between Texas A&M University - Commerce and healthcare professionals at Glen Oaks Hospital in Greenville, Texas, this project will deliver mental healthcare to five locations benefitting approximately 4,720 individuals.
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$8,729,570</b>	