

USDA Rural Development has approved a grant of \$389,589

Program: Community Connect Grants

State/County: ID/Clearwater

Congressman: Labrador, Raul R. (ID 01)

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Project Description: Inland Cellular LLC will utilize Rural Development's Community Connect grant funding to implement a fixed wireless LTE network in the 3.65 GHz spectrum to provide service in Pierce, Clearwater County, Idaho. A 6 GHz licensed microwave link will be placed to provide connection to Inland Cellular's existing network. The system will cover 266 households and 34 businesses within the service area, providing service offerings of up to 15/3 Mbps. A Community Center with six computer access points and WiFi will be established, and free service will also be offered to the Pierce City Hall, Pierce Library, and Idaho Youth ChalleNGe Academy. Through this investment, residents and businesses in this unserved rural area will gain access to the economic, educational, health care, and public safety opportunities high quality broadband access support.

People Who Will Benefit: 578

Other Funding: Total \$68,751

Project Cost: \$458,340

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