

U.S. Department of Commerce

NTIA Broadband Programs



Why This Matters

\$65 Billion to Improve Broadband

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) of 2021 provides \$65 billion in funding to expand high-speed internet access and aims to ensure that all Americans have access to affordable, reliable high-speed Internet. This investment builds upon the funding for broadband deployment provided in the American Rescue Plan, the Consolidated Appropriations Act (CAA) of 2021, the Federal Communication Commission’s Universal Service program, and the Department of Agriculture’s Rural Utilities Service broadband programs.

IIJA funding is intended to lay the groundwork for widespread access and affordability of broadband, creating new jobs and economic opportunities, providing increased access to healthcare services, enriching students’ educational experiences, and improving the overall quality of life for all Americans. The funded programs support high-speed Internet planning, infrastructure, and adoption.

\$48.2 Billion to DOC

The U.S. Department of Commerce’s National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) received over \$48 billion under IIJA and the CAA of 2021 and is responsible for administering those funds through several grant programs.

Broadband Funding at DOC

Program	Amount Appropriated	Grants Awarded	Awarded (as of 2/27/2024)
BEAD	\$42,500,000,000	60	\$1,609,355,010
TBCP	\$3,000,000,000	226	\$1,861,977,486
DE	\$2,750,000,000	59	\$53,702,029
MMG	\$1,000,000,000	39	\$979,998,024
CMC	\$285,000,000	93	\$262,852,127
BIP	\$300,000,000	14	\$282,785,260

Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD): expands high-speed Internet access by funding planning, infrastructure deployment, and adoption programs across the country.

Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program (TBCP): supports Tribal governments bringing high-speed Internet to Tribal lands, including telehealth, distance learning, affordability, and digital inclusion initiatives.

Digital Equity Act (DE): promotes digital equity and inclusion. Aims to ensure that all people and communities have the skills, technology, and capacity needed to reap the full benefits of our digital economy.

Middle Mile (MMG): reduces the cost of bringing high-speed Internet service to unserved and underserved communities by connecting local networks to major network.

Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program (CMC): provides funding to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs), and Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs) for the purchase of broadband internet access service and eligible equipment or to hire and train information technology personnel.

Broadband Infrastructure Program (BIP): directed to partnerships between a state, or one or more political subdivisions of a state, and providers of fixed broadband service to support broadband infrastructure deployment to areas lacking broadband, especially rural areas.

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Broadband Funding in Florida

Program	Amount	Award Status
BEAD	\$4,999,976	\$1.16 Billion allocated; \$4.9 million planning grant awarded
DE	\$2,407,223	\$2.4 million in Federal planning grant funds awarded
MM	\$5,738,951	2.8 million in Federal funds, 2.9 million in matching awarded to Warnack, LLC in Kansas to expand MM in Florida
TBCP	\$499,920	\$499K awarded to Seminole Tribe of Florida
CMC	10,809,667	\$2.9 million to Broward College; \$5.3 million to Florida A & M; and 2.4 million to Miami Dade College
USF	\$281,488,231	\$281 million awarded through the FCC Universal Service Fund to 4832 Schools and Libraries throughout Florida (Non-DOC Funding)

Bureaus of the U.S. Department of Commerce

- Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA)
- Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)
- U.S. Census Bureau (Census)
- Economic Development Administration (EDA)
- Office of the Undersecretary for Economic Affairs (OUS/EA)
- International Trade Administration (ITA)
- Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- National Technical Information Service (NTIS)
- National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)
- Office of the Secretary (OS)

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