

BroadbandUSA FY21 Interactive Federal Funding Guide

The BroadbandUSA “Interactive Federal Funding Guide” provides a starting point for users to explore federal broadband funding options based on selected criteria, starting with the type of recipient followed by desired program purpose. Users can download the interactive guide to use it offline on multiple platforms, including mobile devices, making it an accessible option for users with minimal internet access. The interactive guide is based on the information provided by federal agencies and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for NTIA’s [BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Website](#). It highlights general information about each federal program, including program descriptions, important dates, contact information, and links to program websites.

Please note that application deadlines may have already passed or program funds may have already been dispersed. For the most up-to-date information please refer to the program website or [Grants.gov](#). For information about state level broadband programs and possible funding available through each state, visit NTIA’s [State Broadband Leaders Network map](#).

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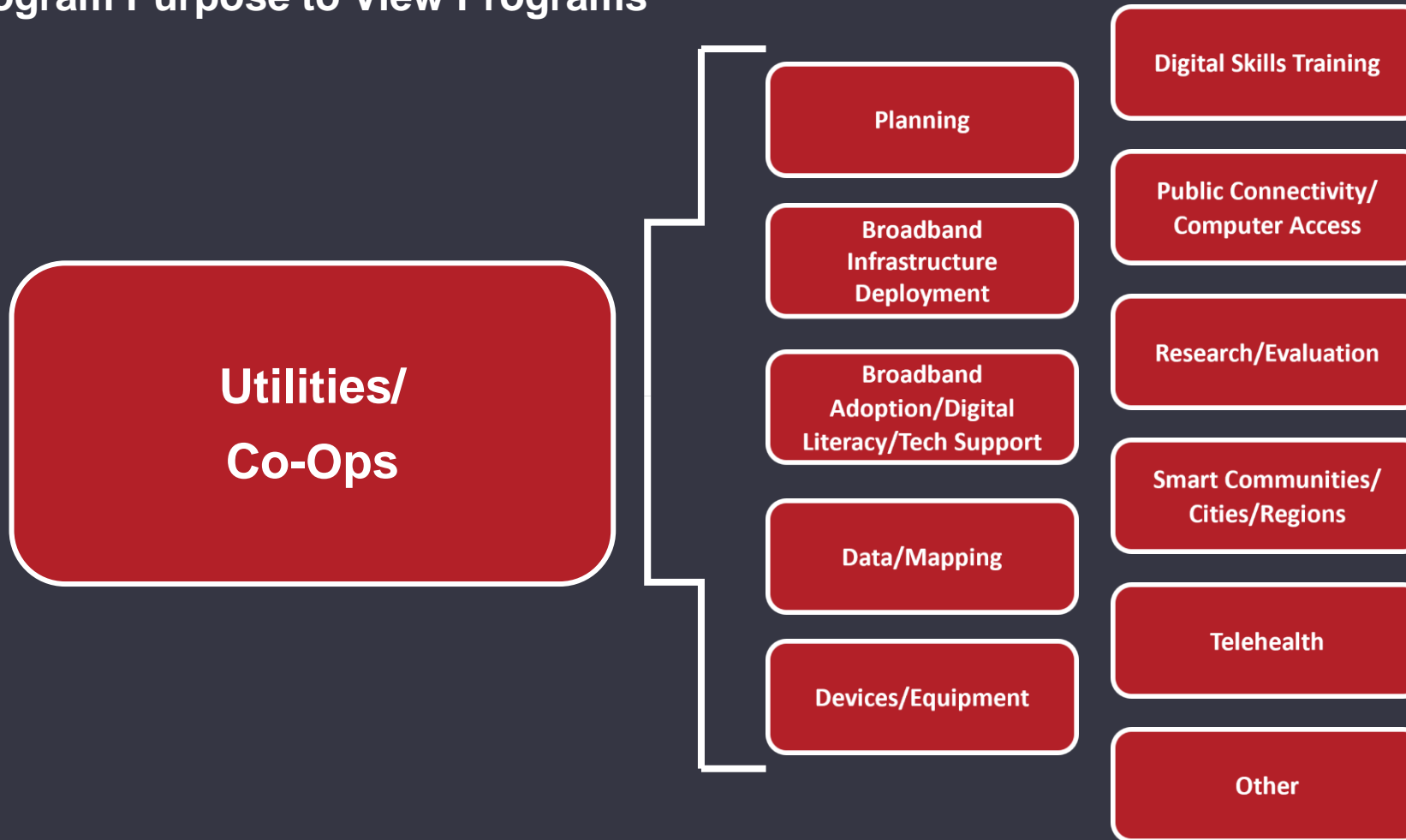
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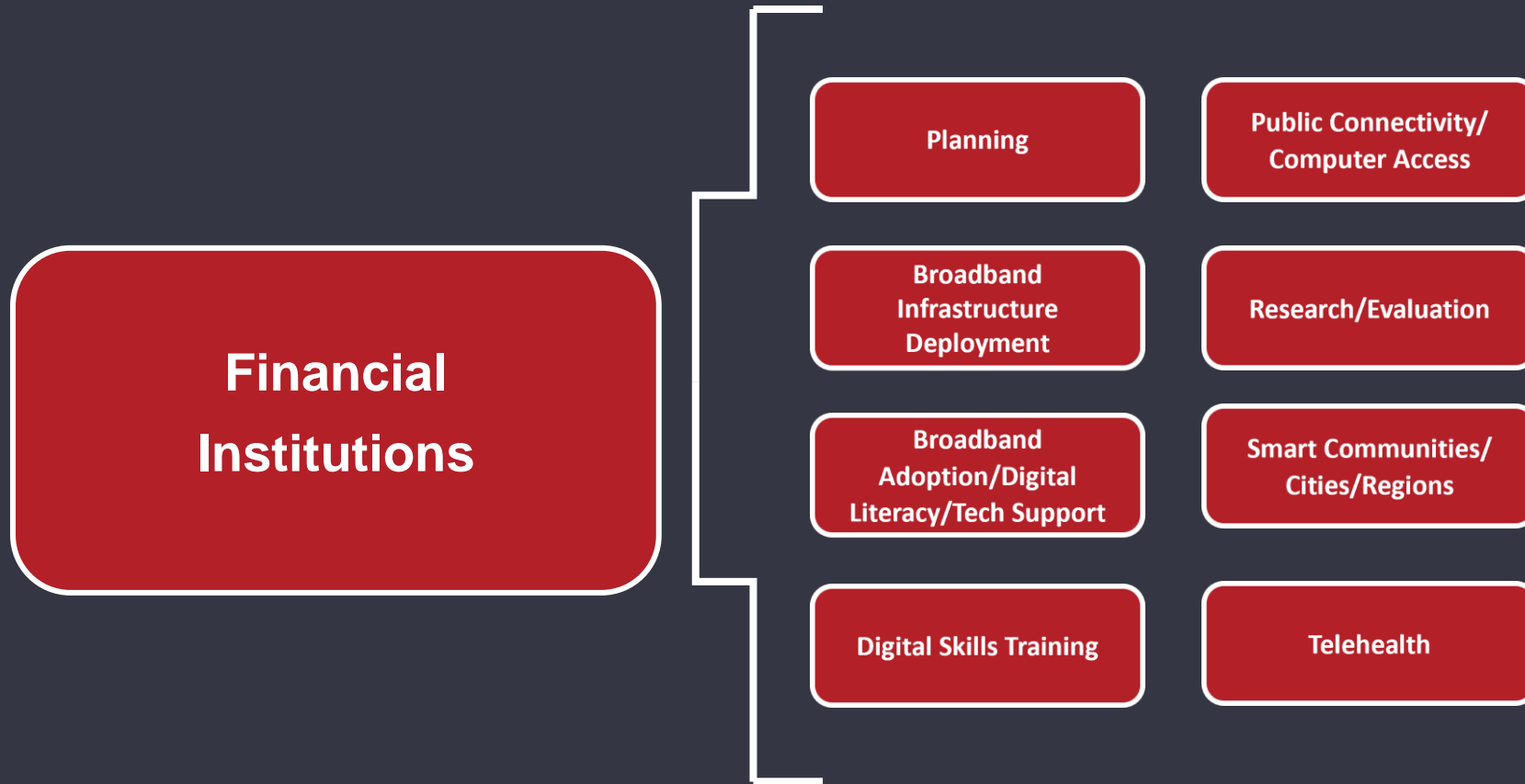
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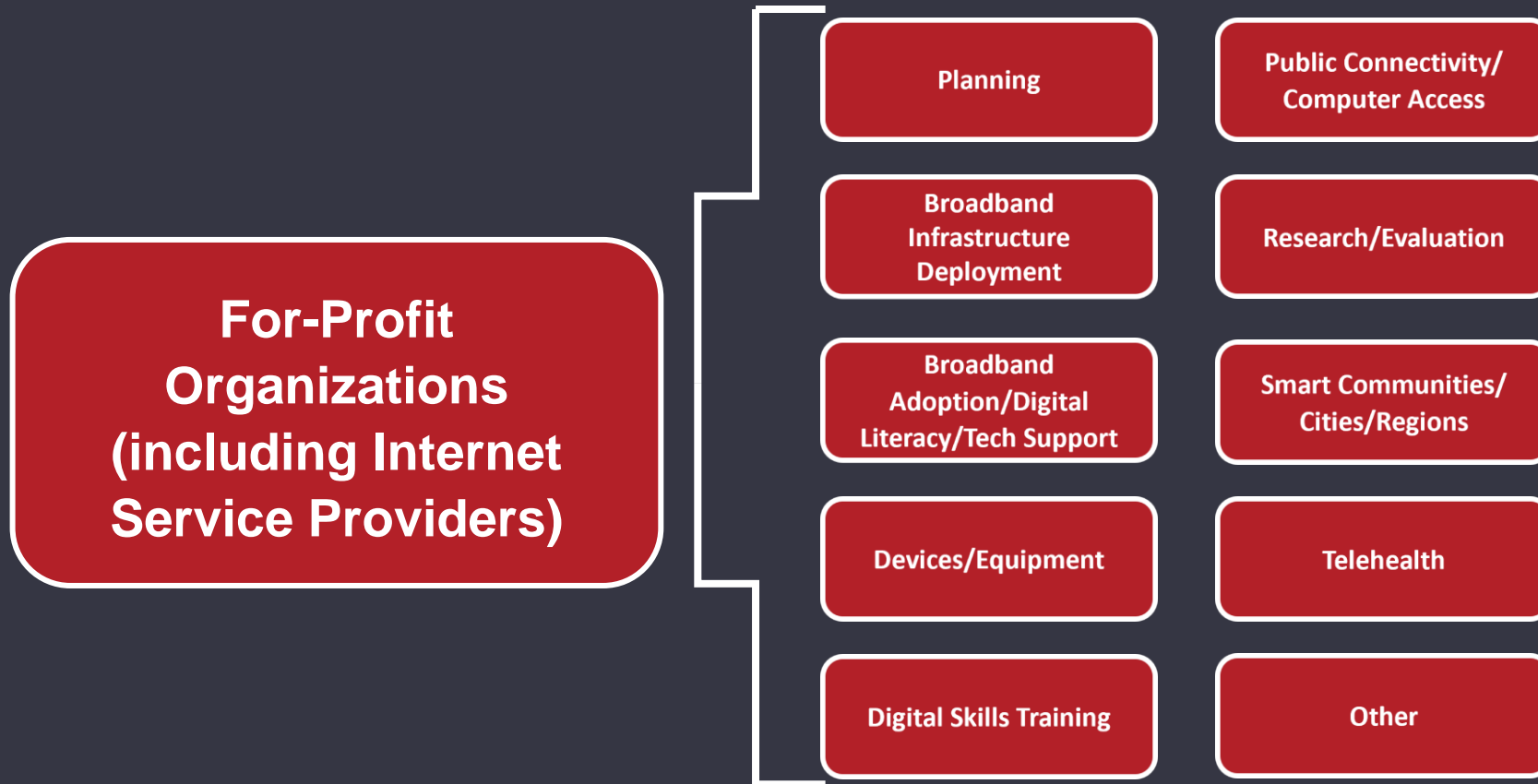
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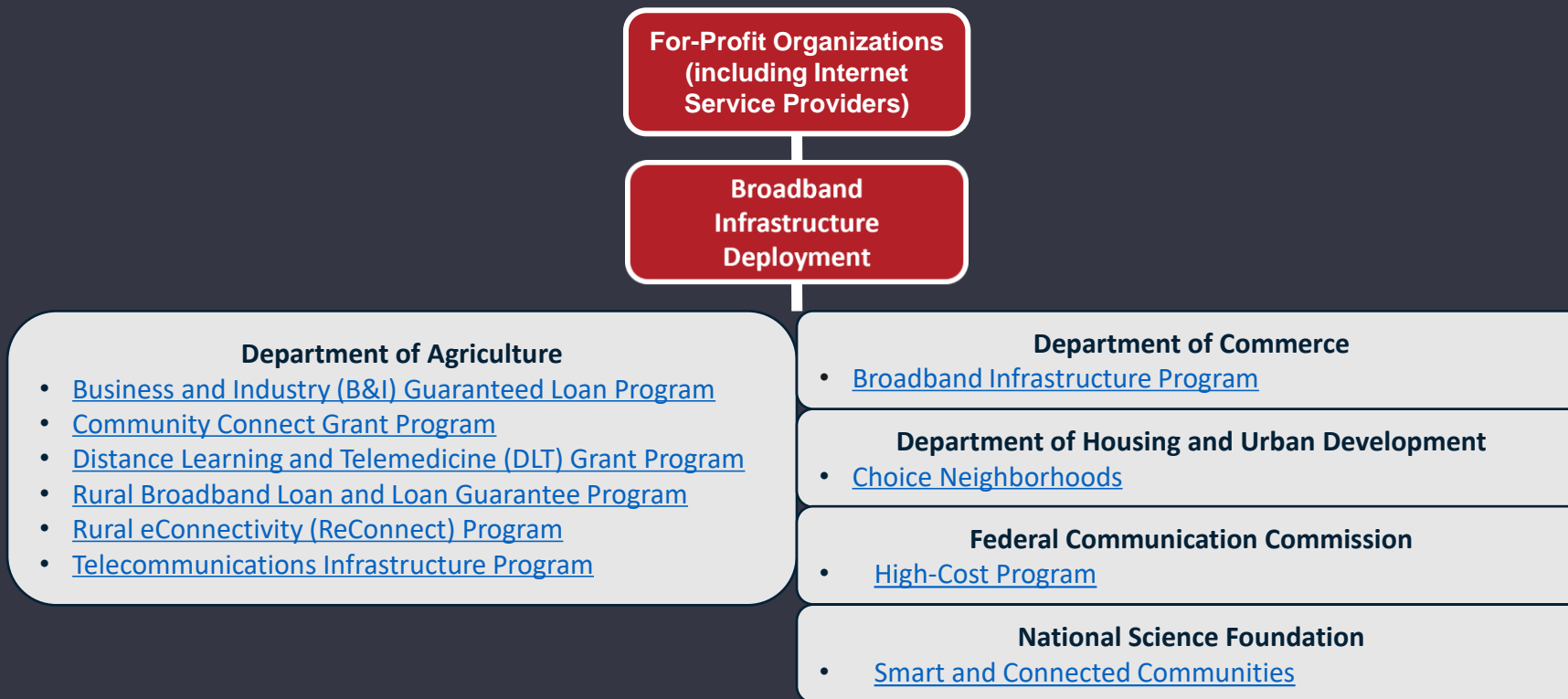
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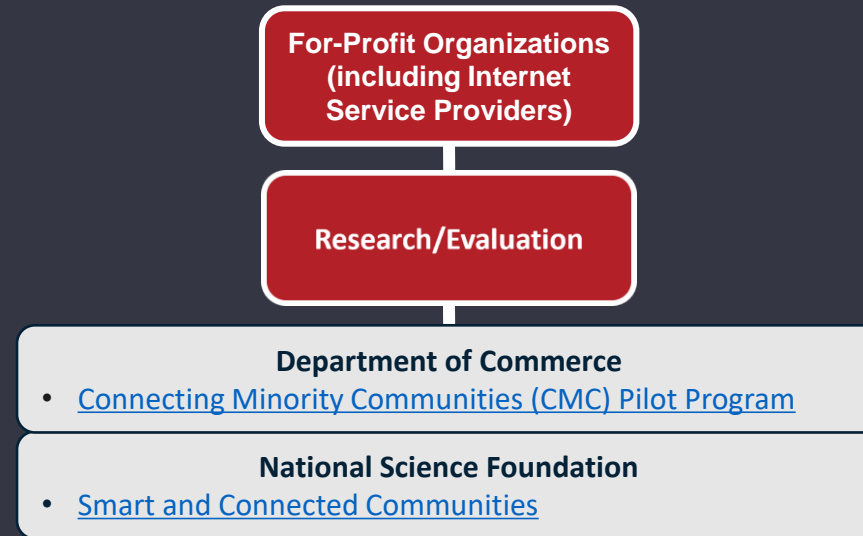
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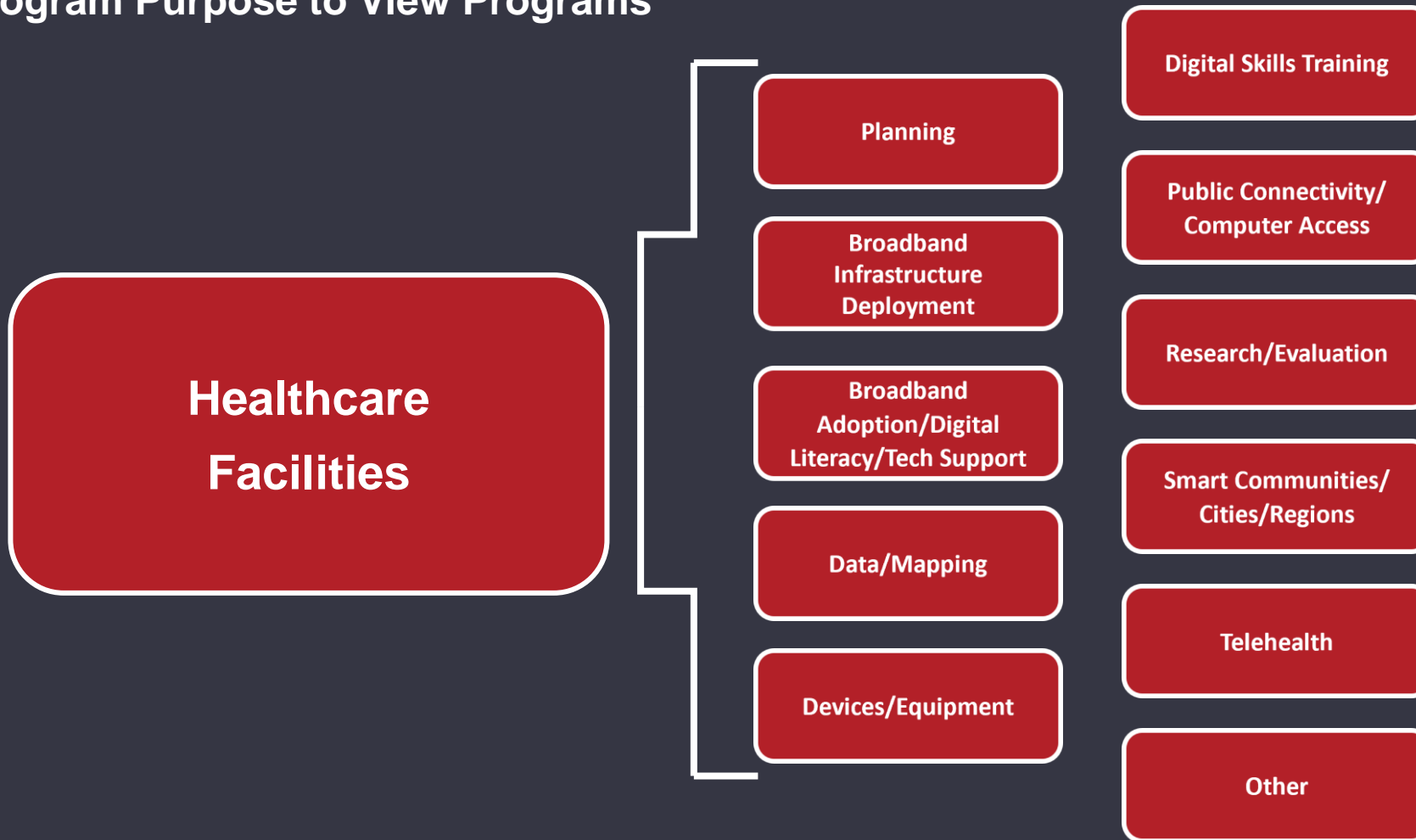
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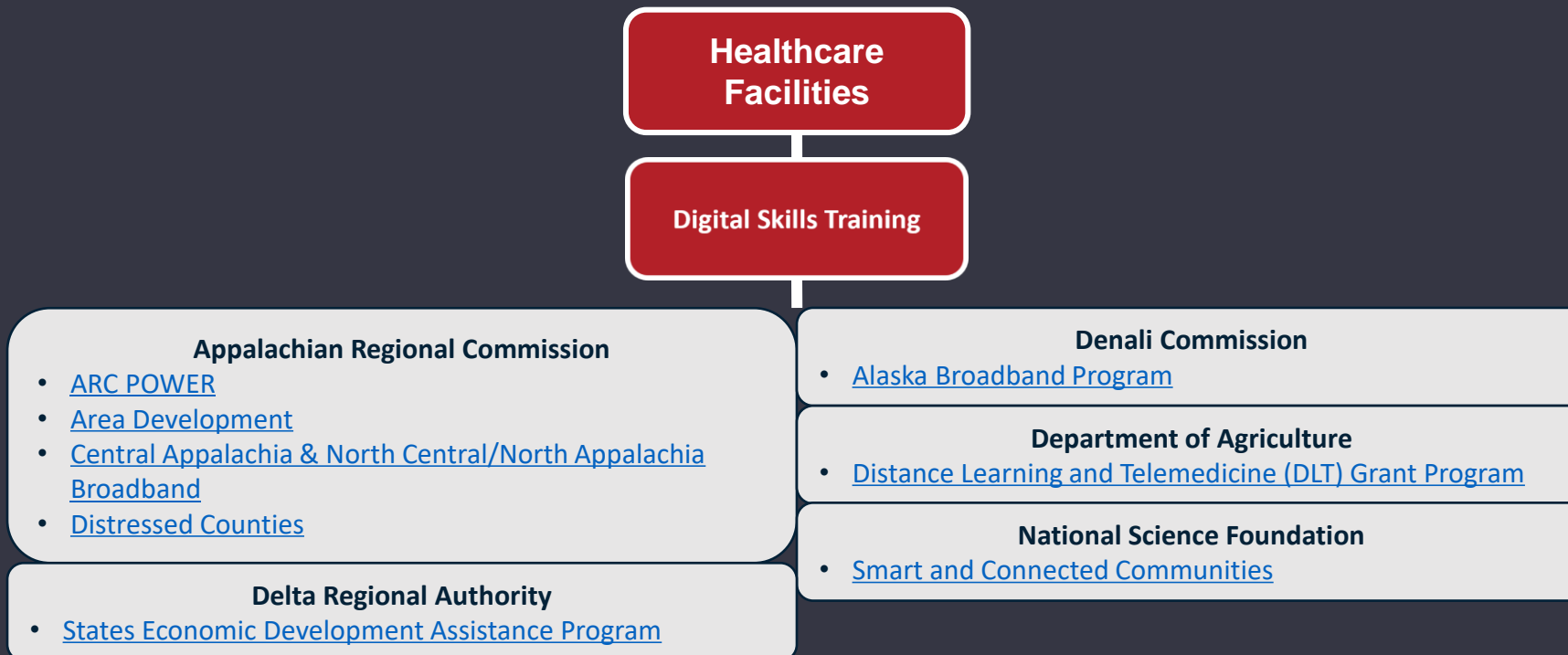
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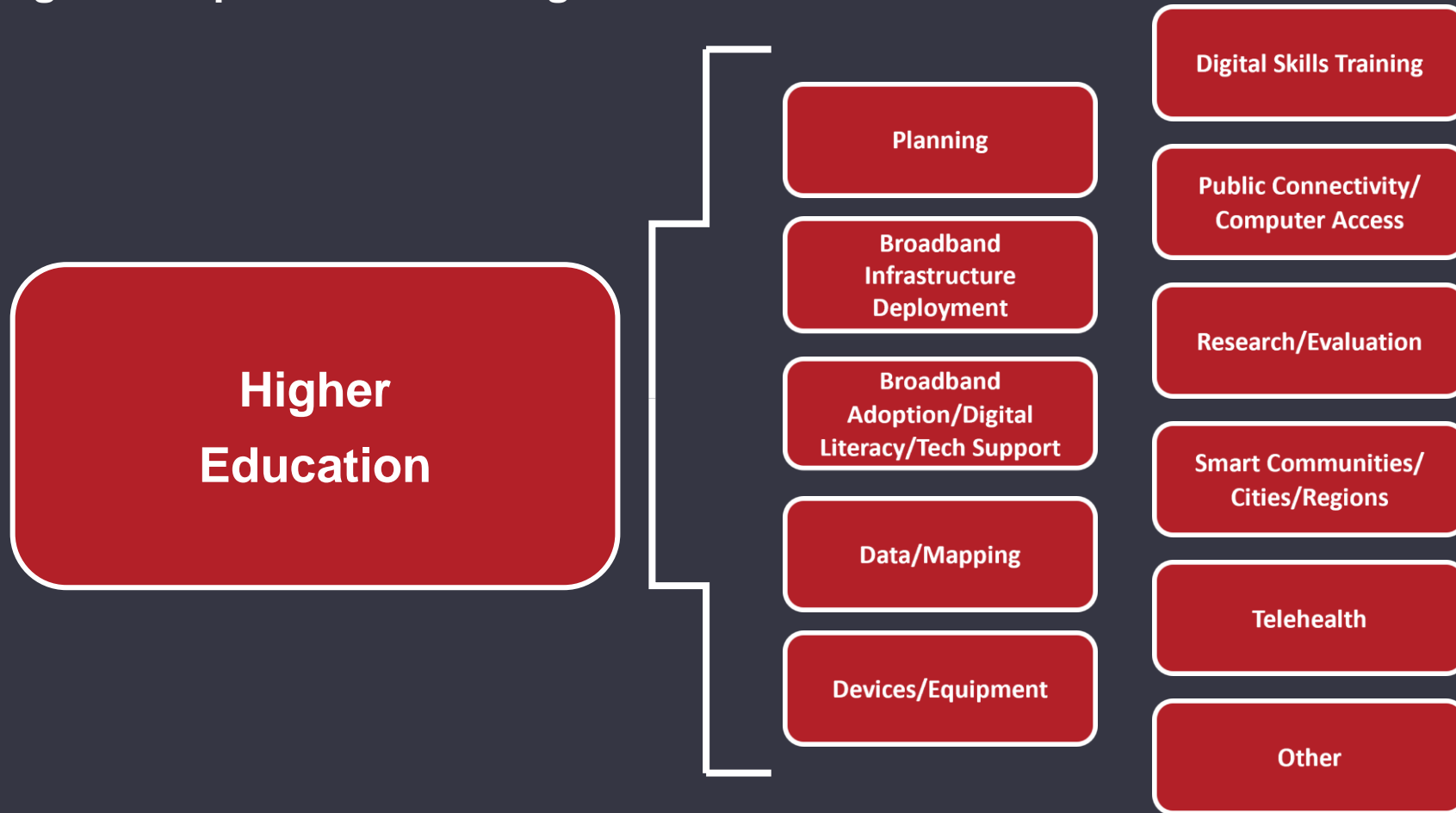
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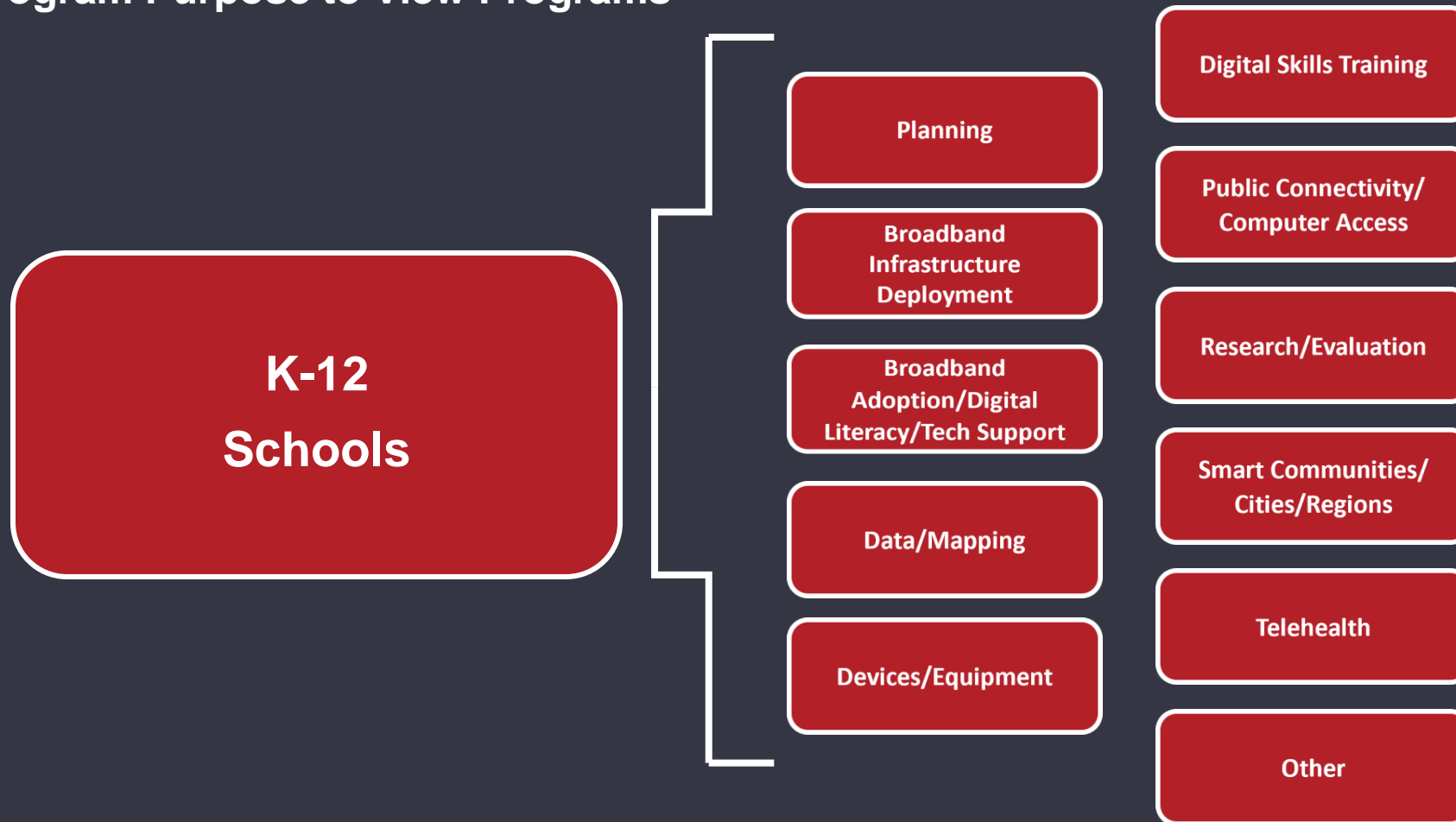
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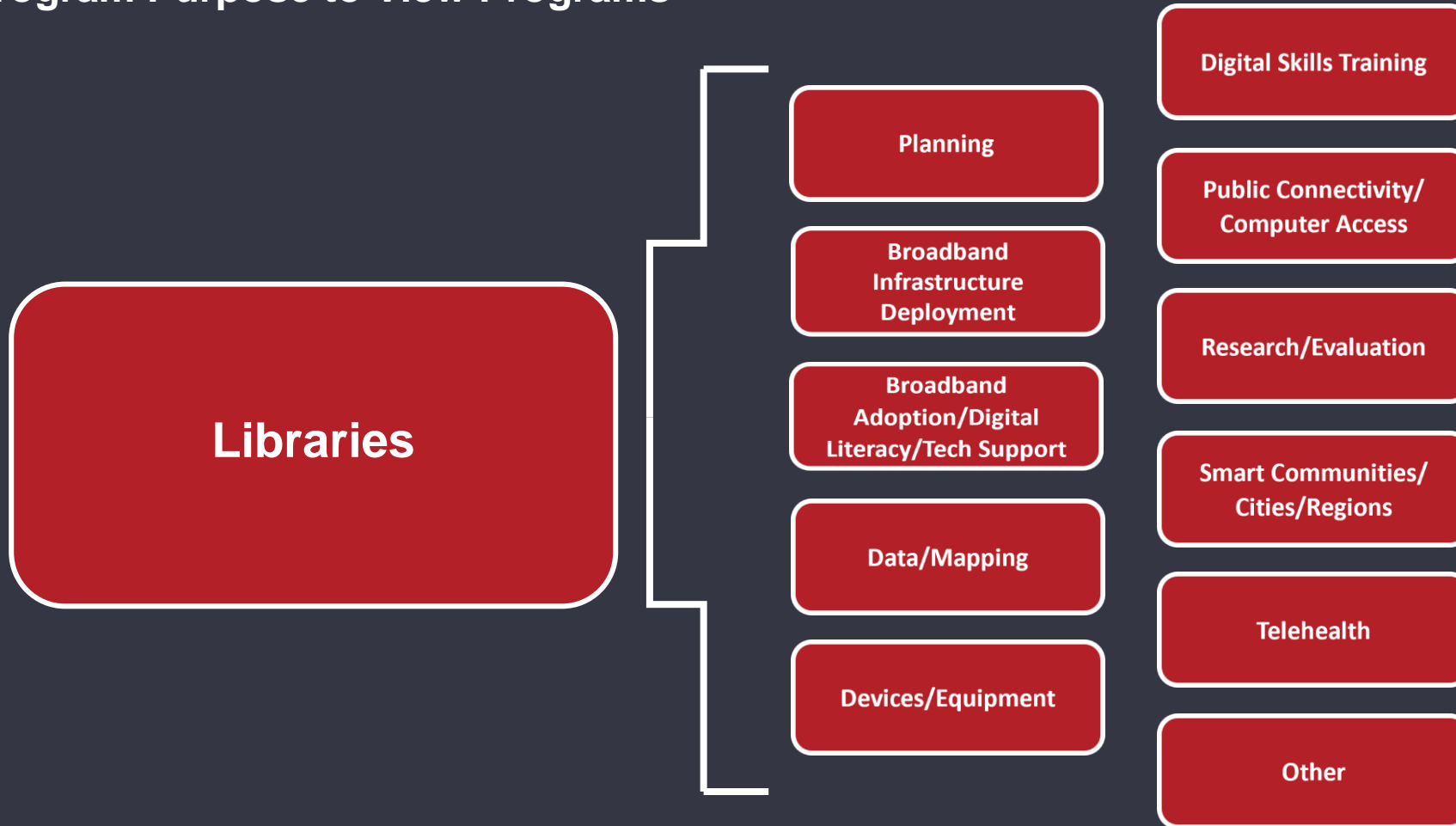
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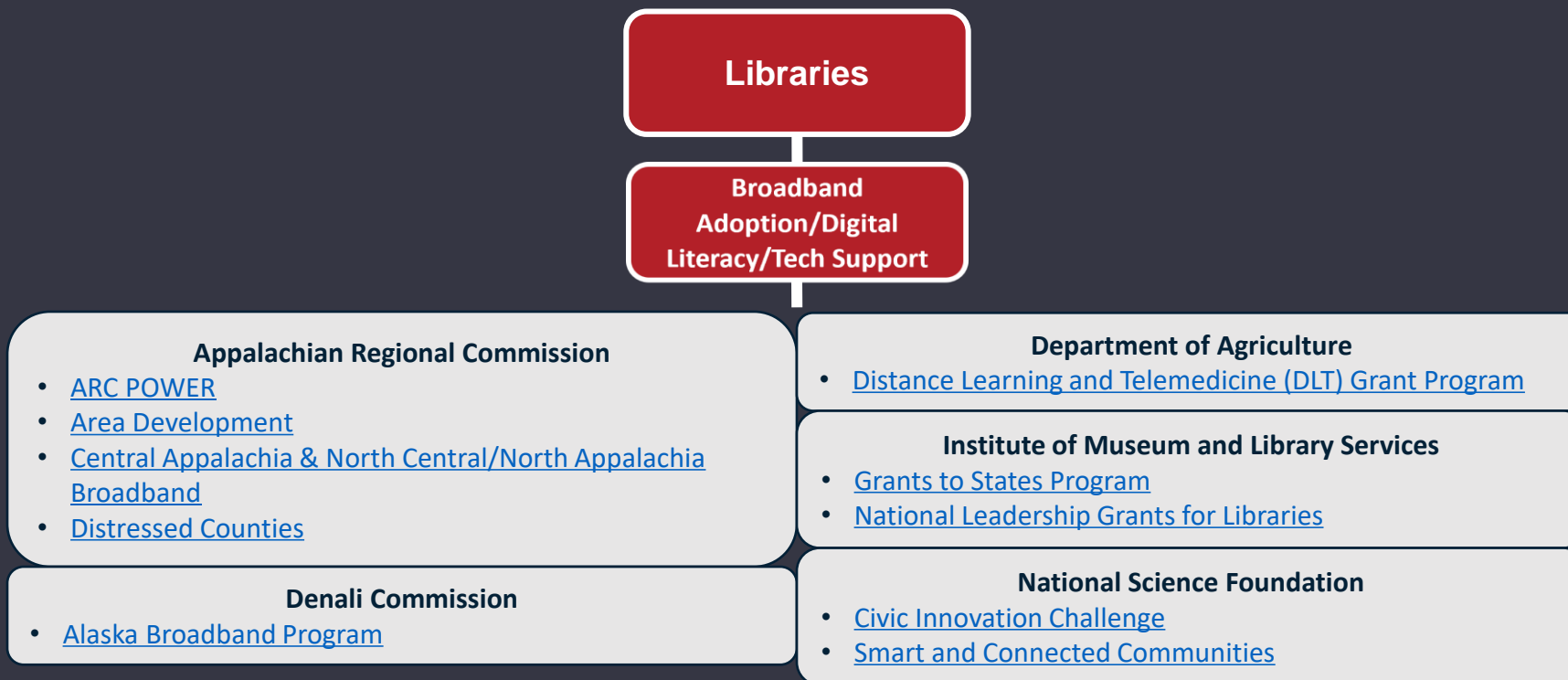
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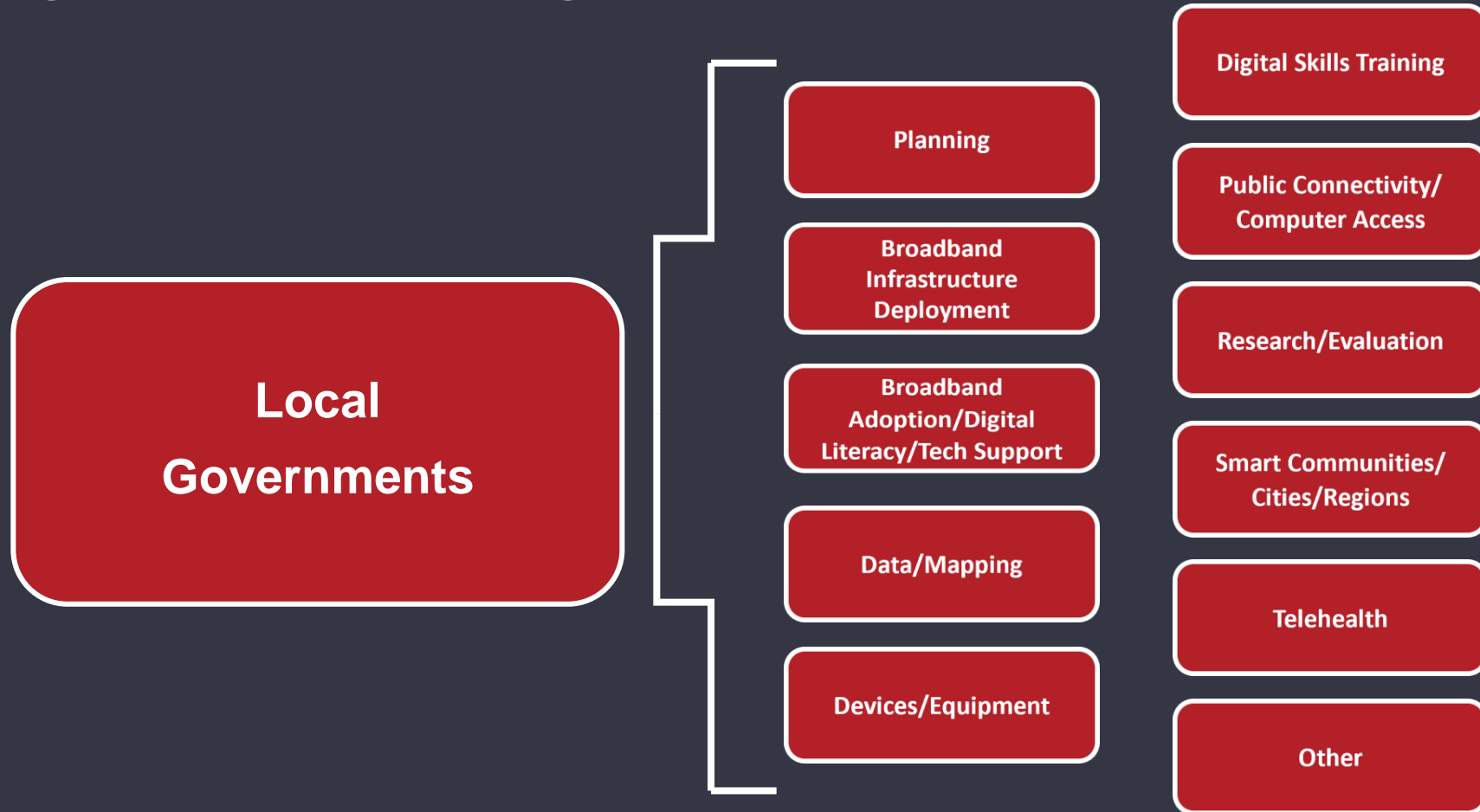
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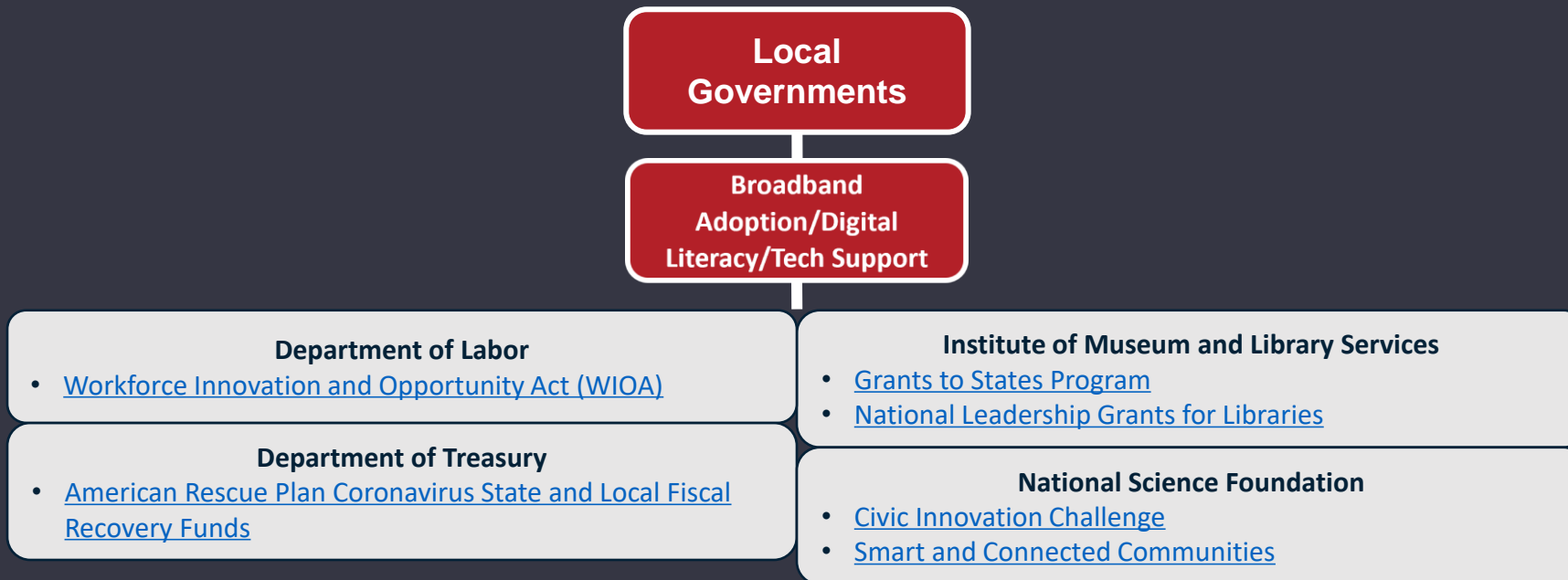
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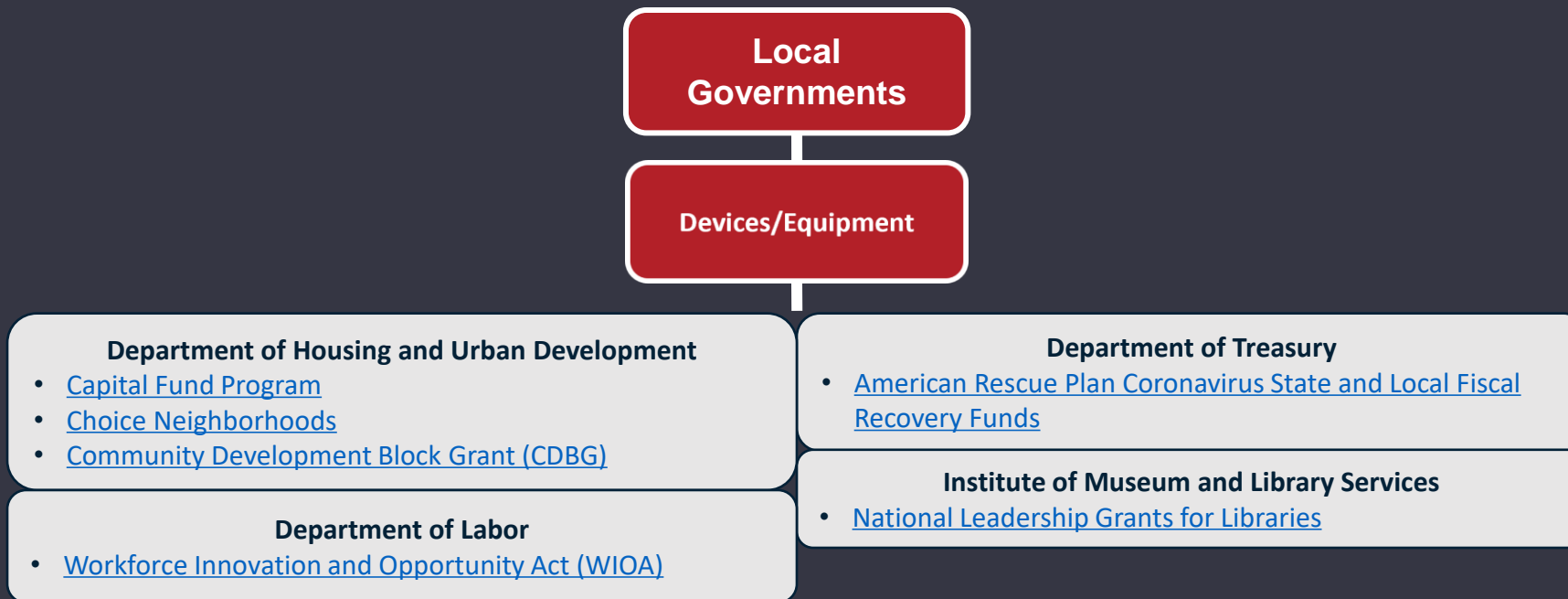
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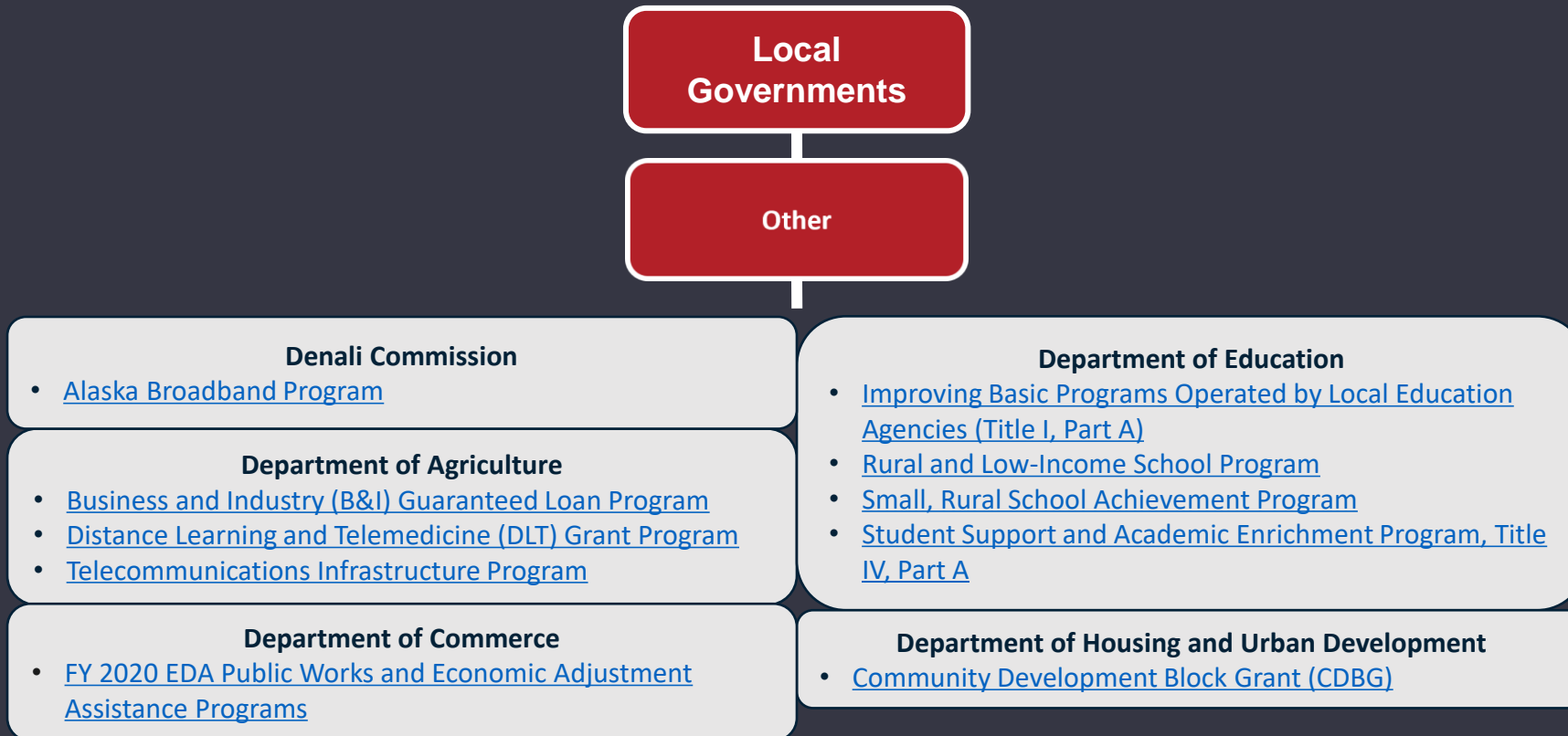
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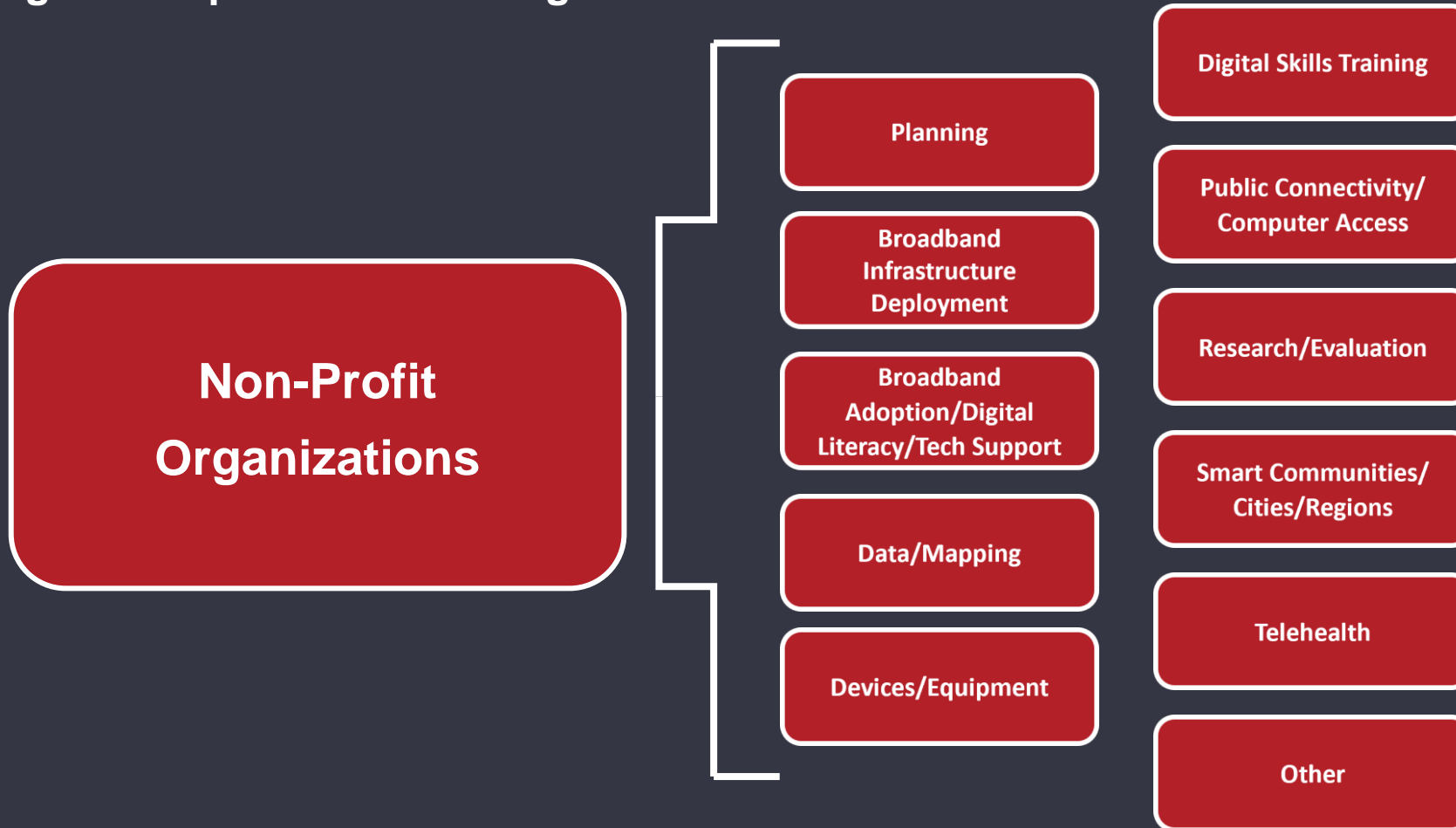
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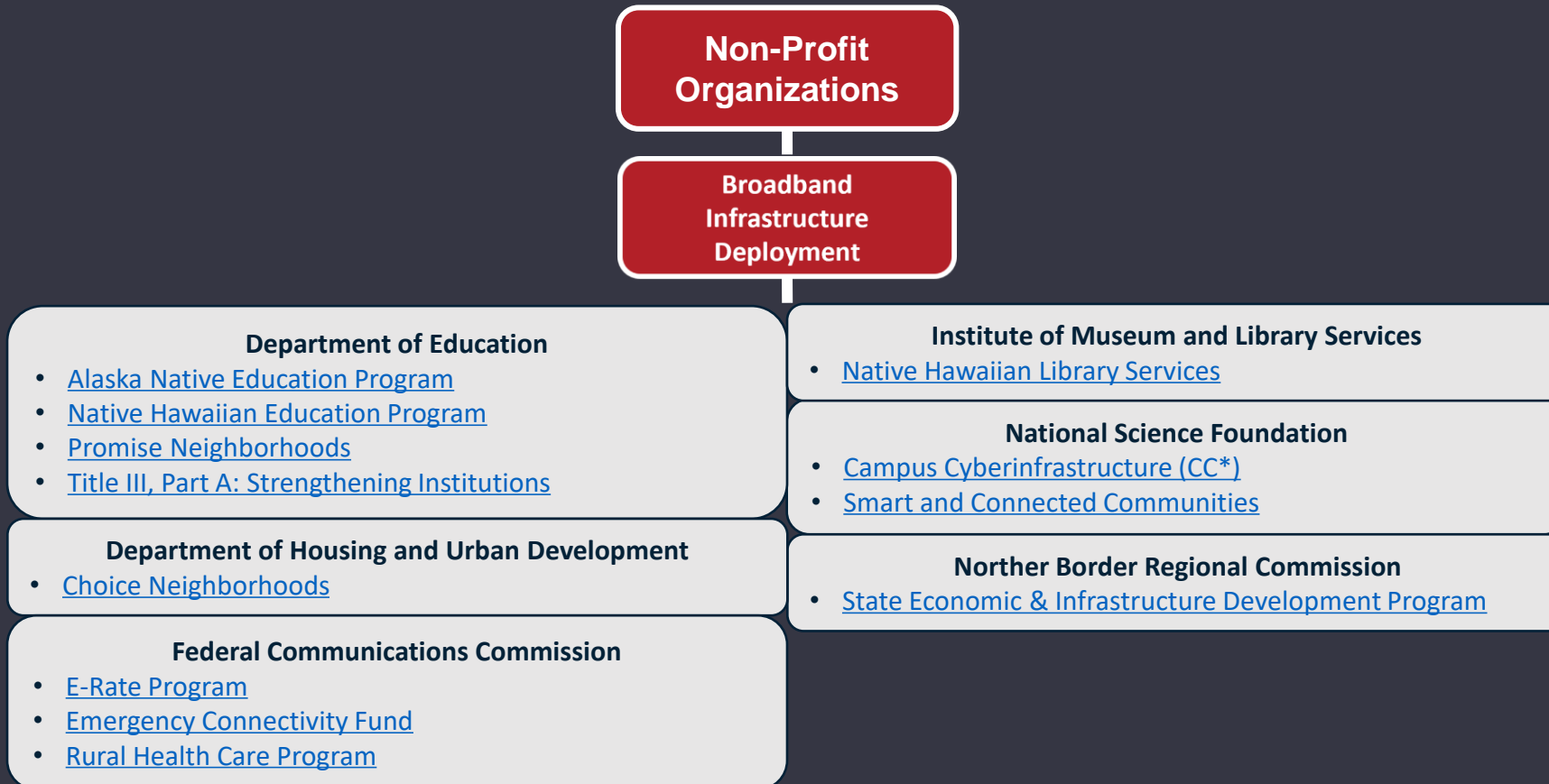
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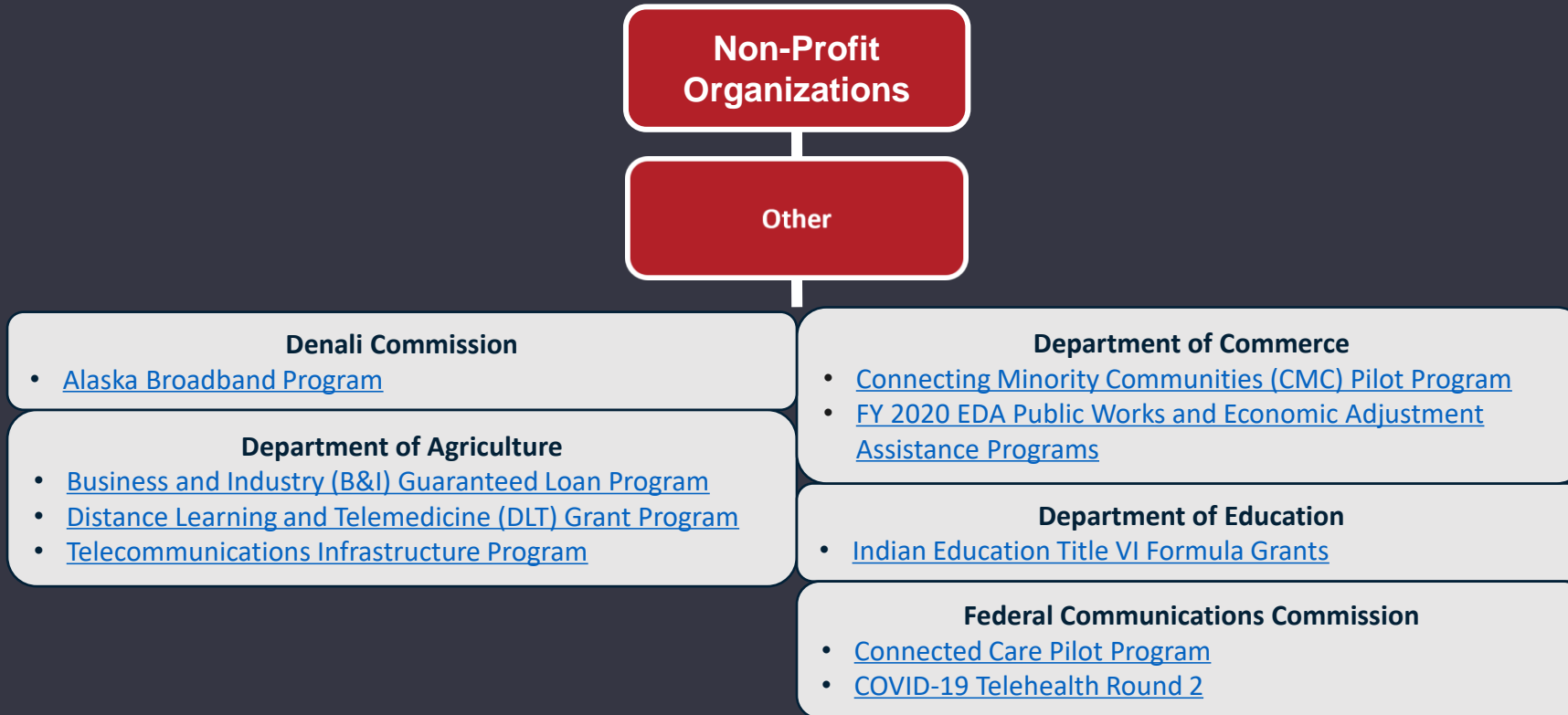
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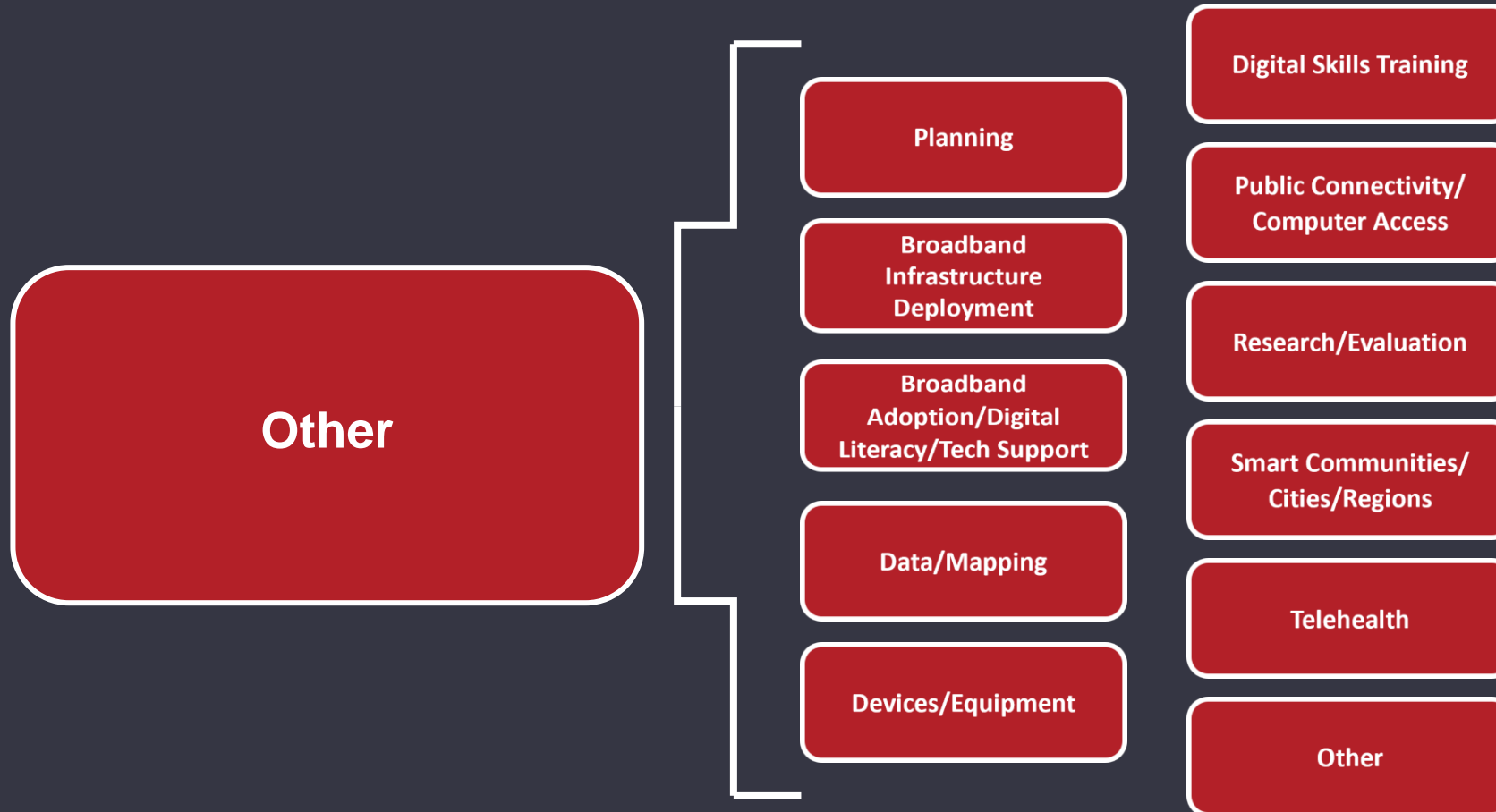
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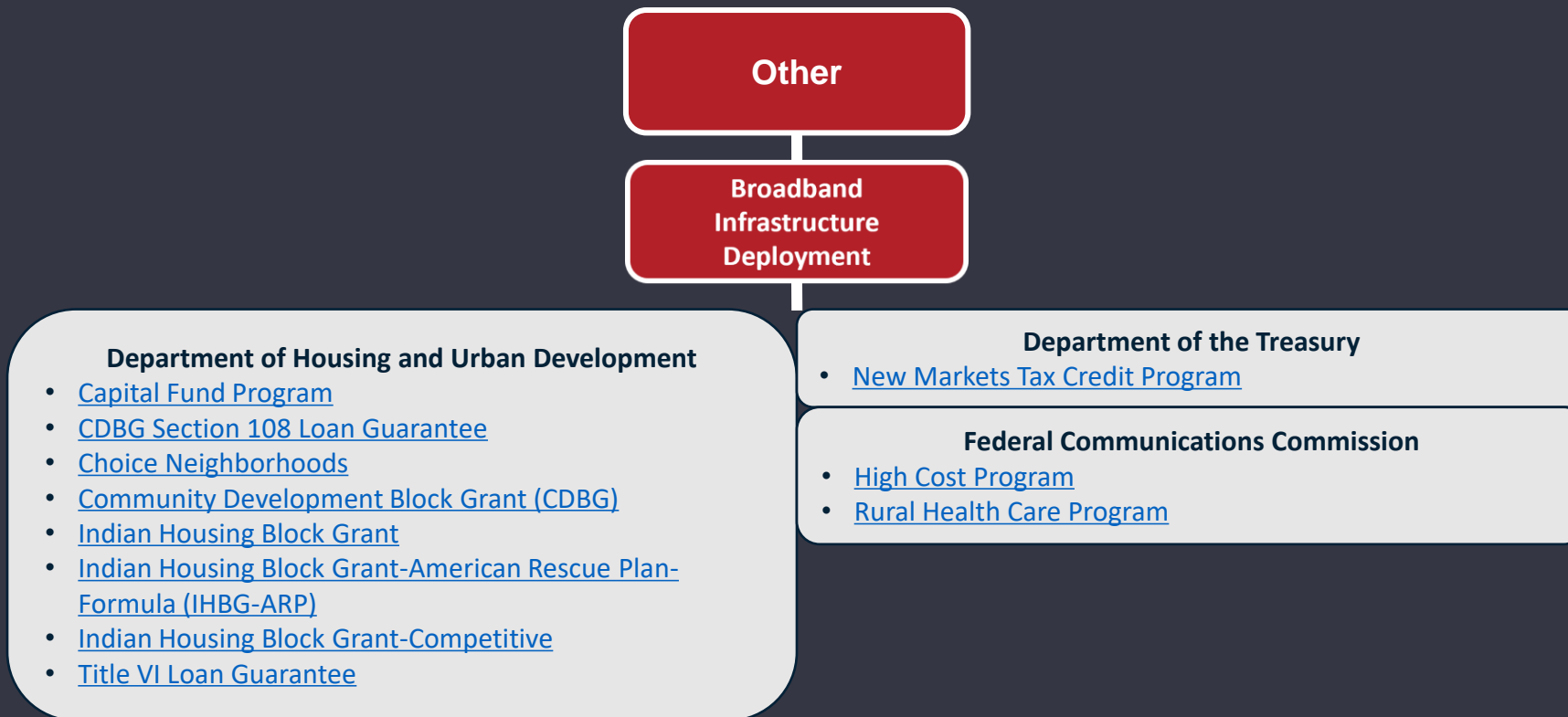
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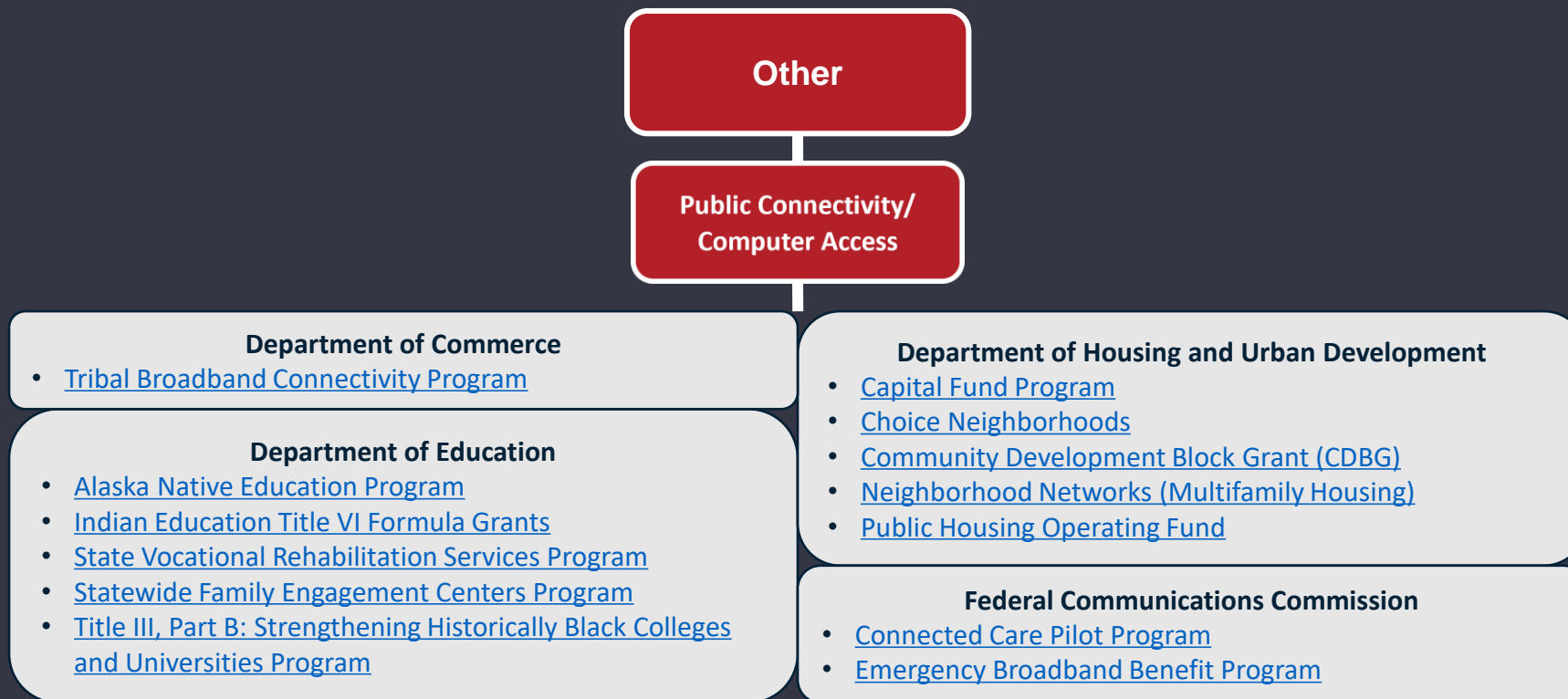
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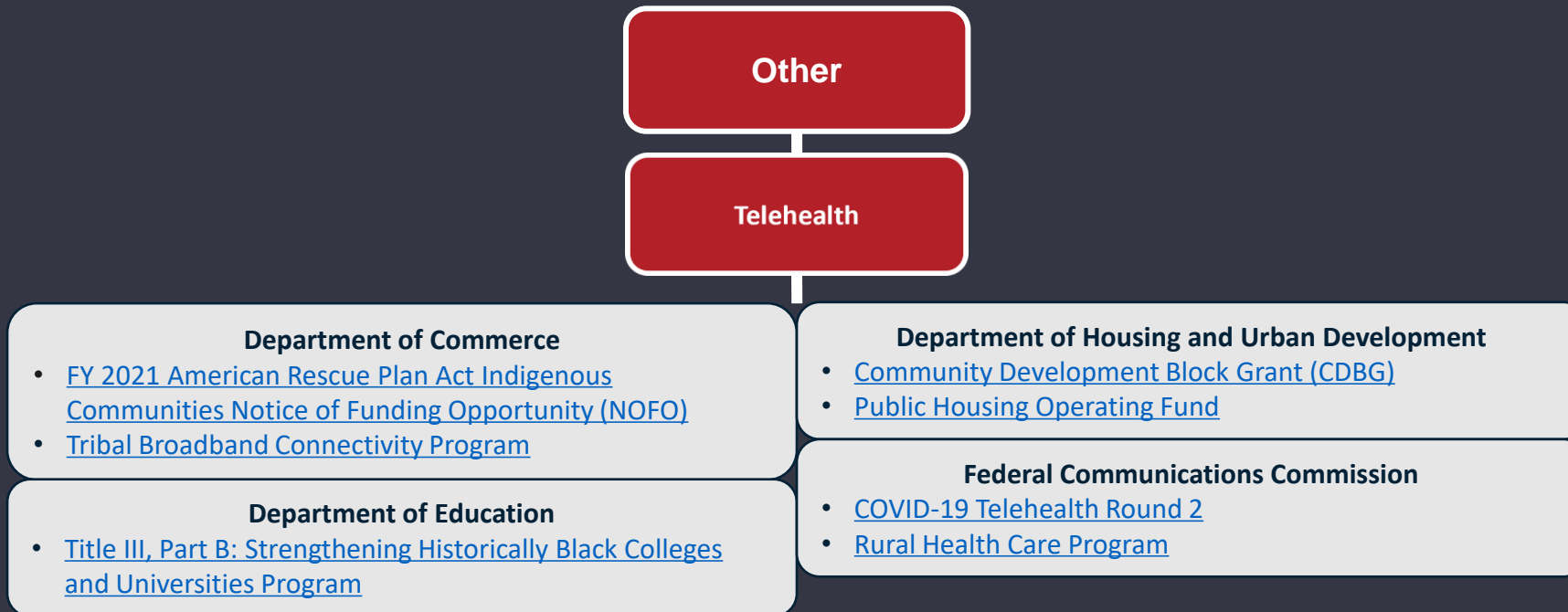
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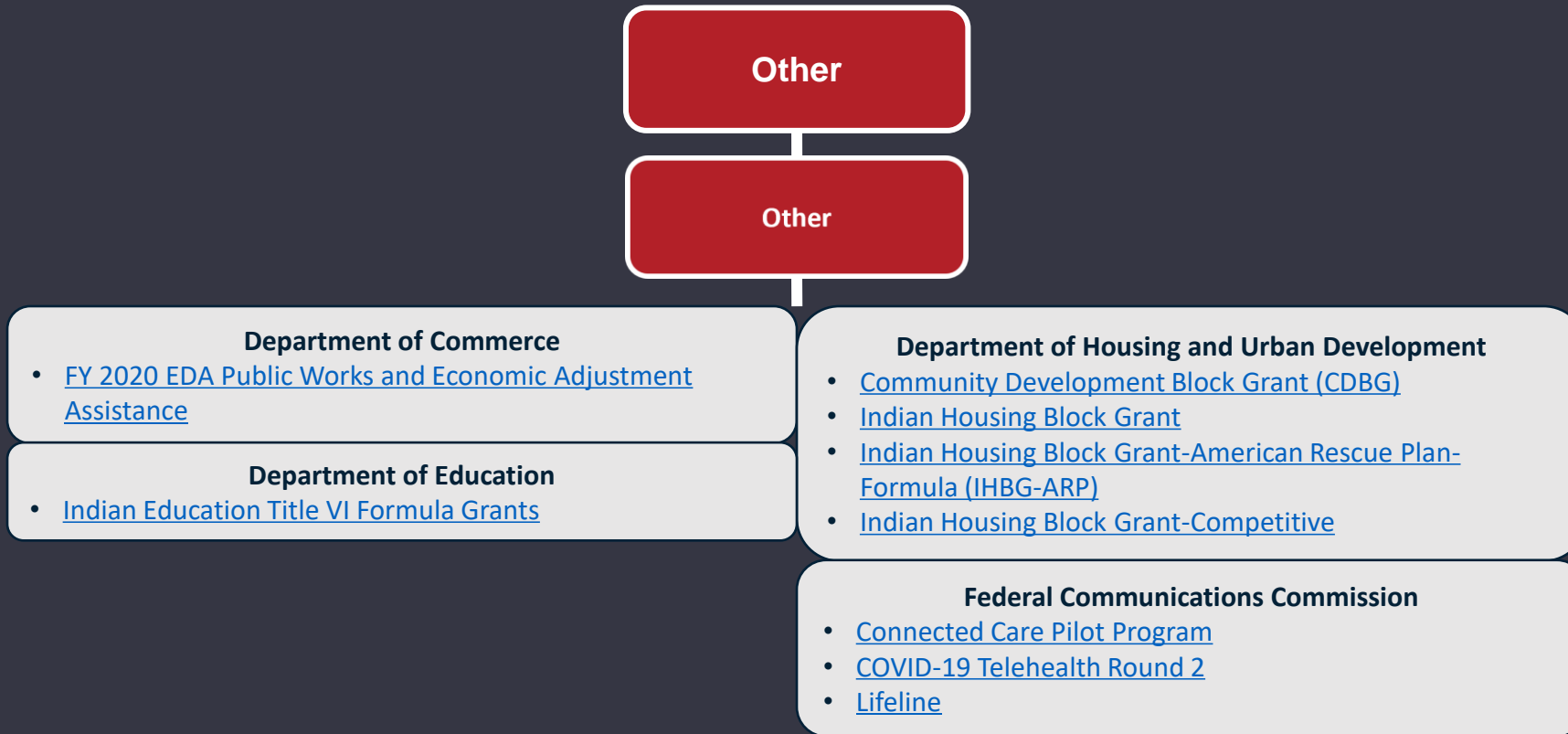
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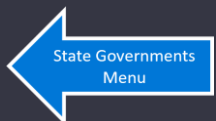
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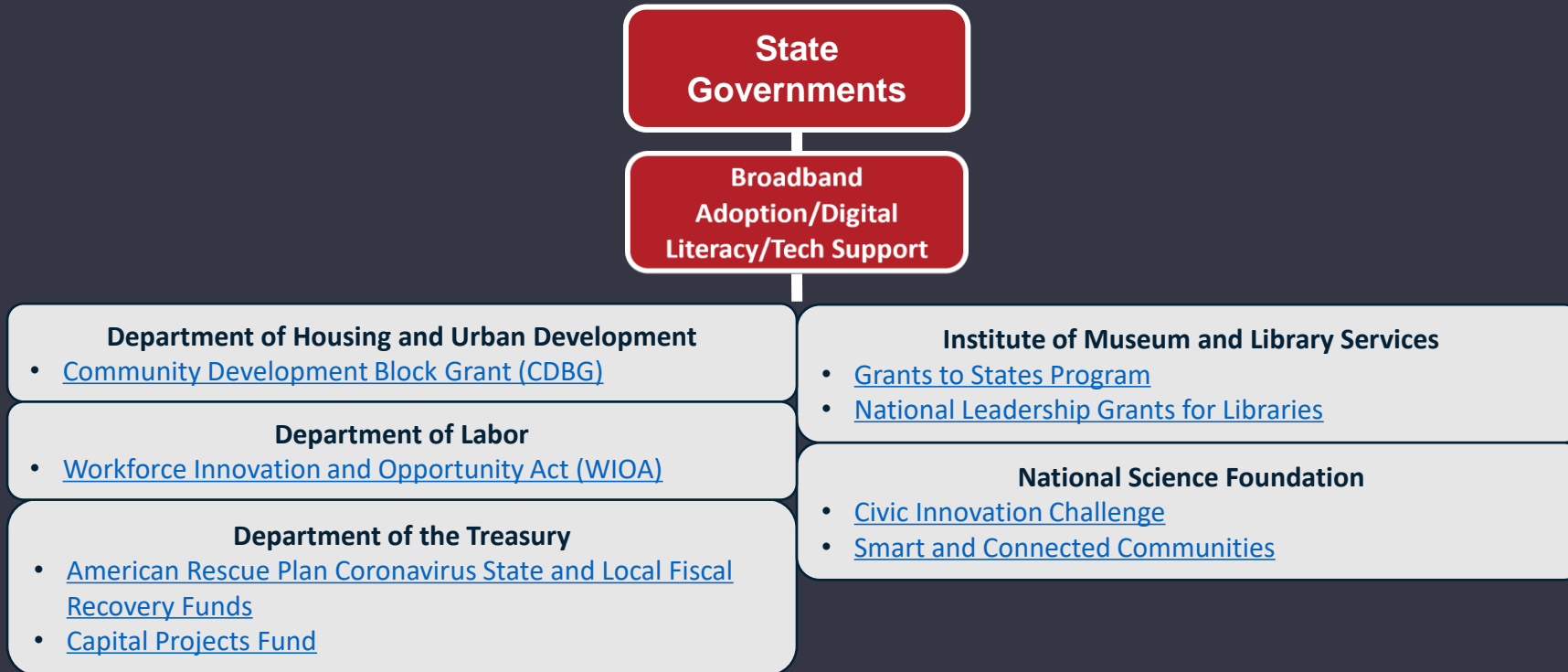
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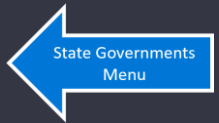
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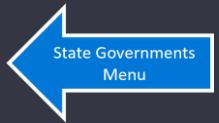
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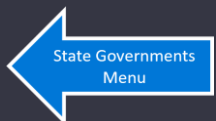
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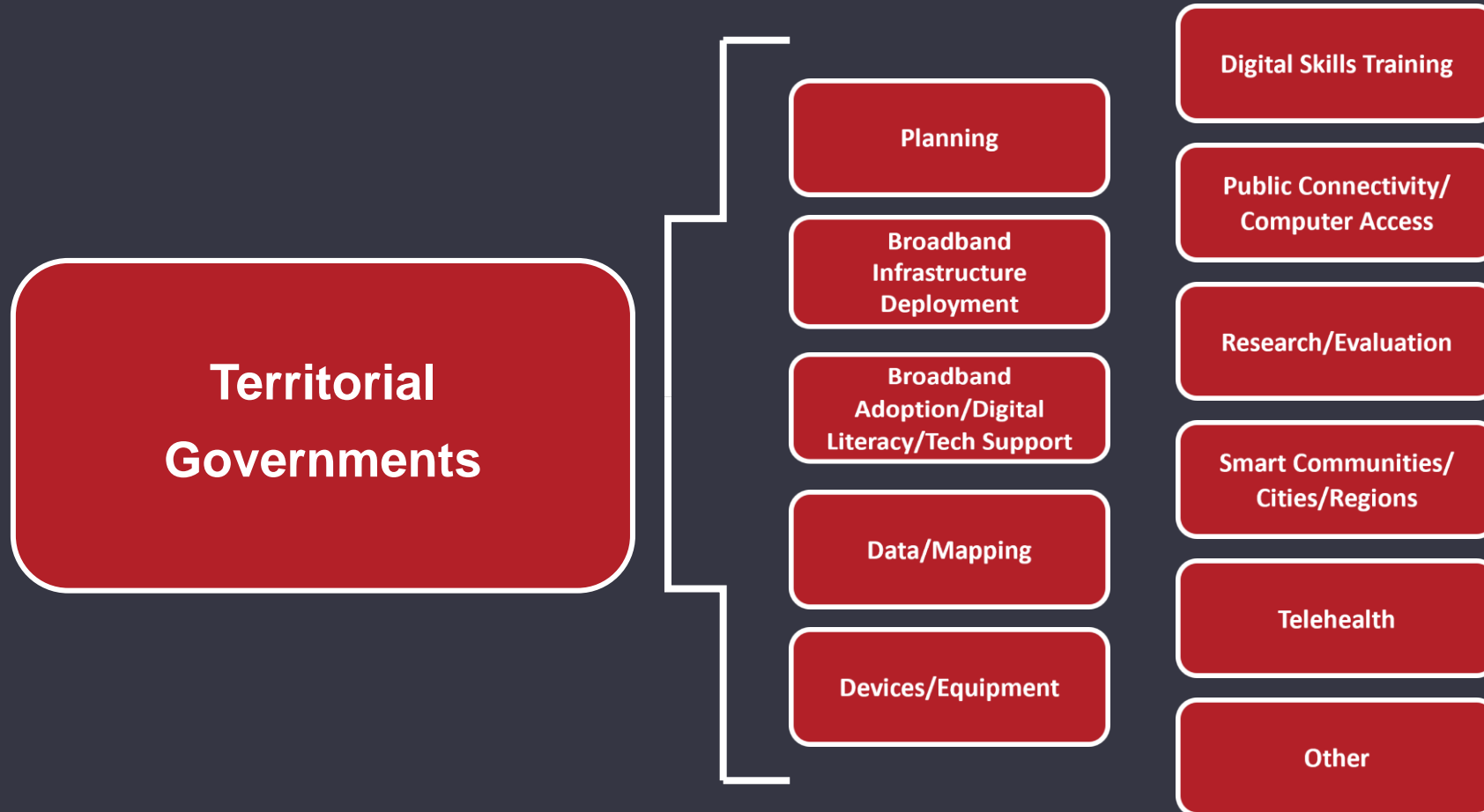
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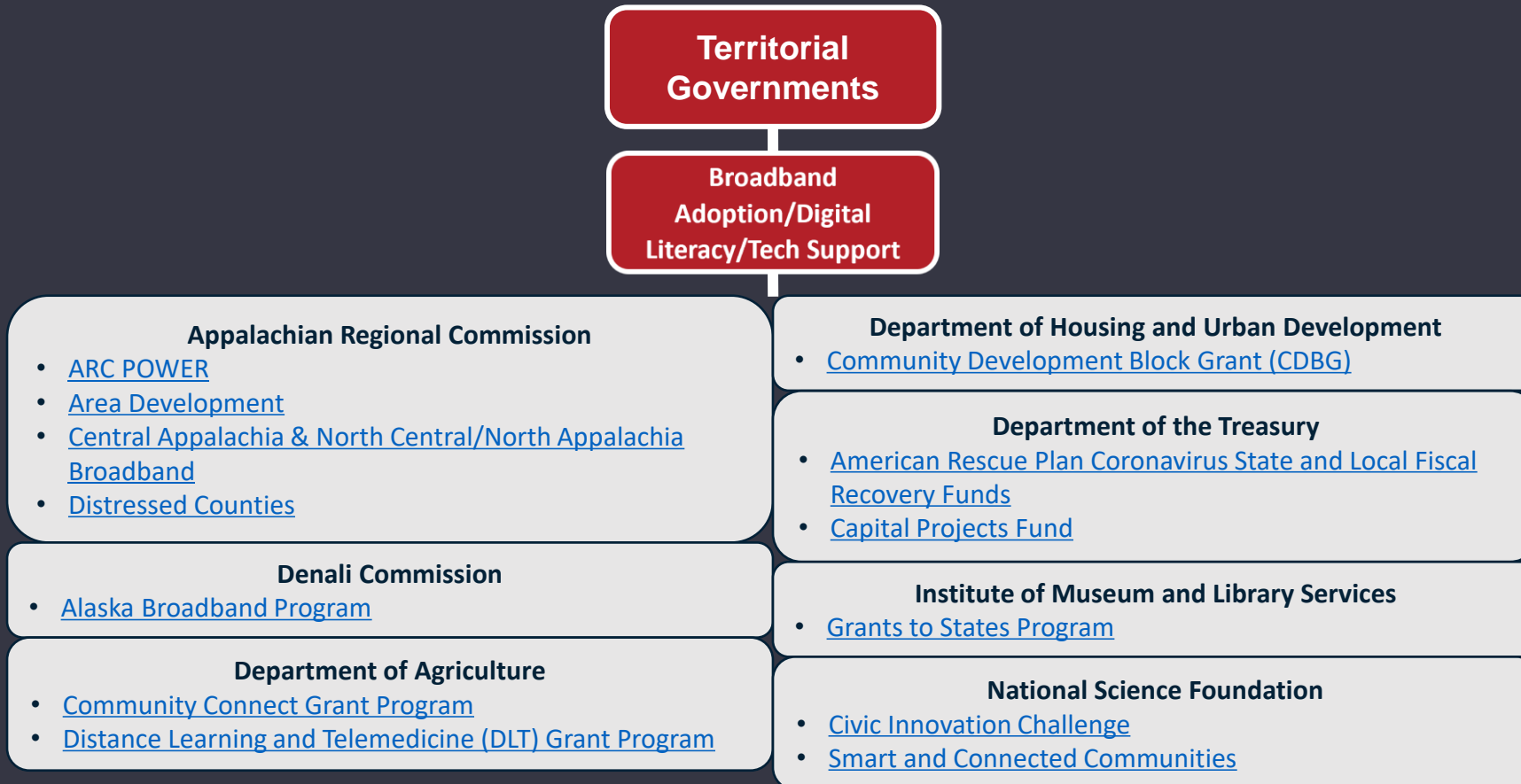
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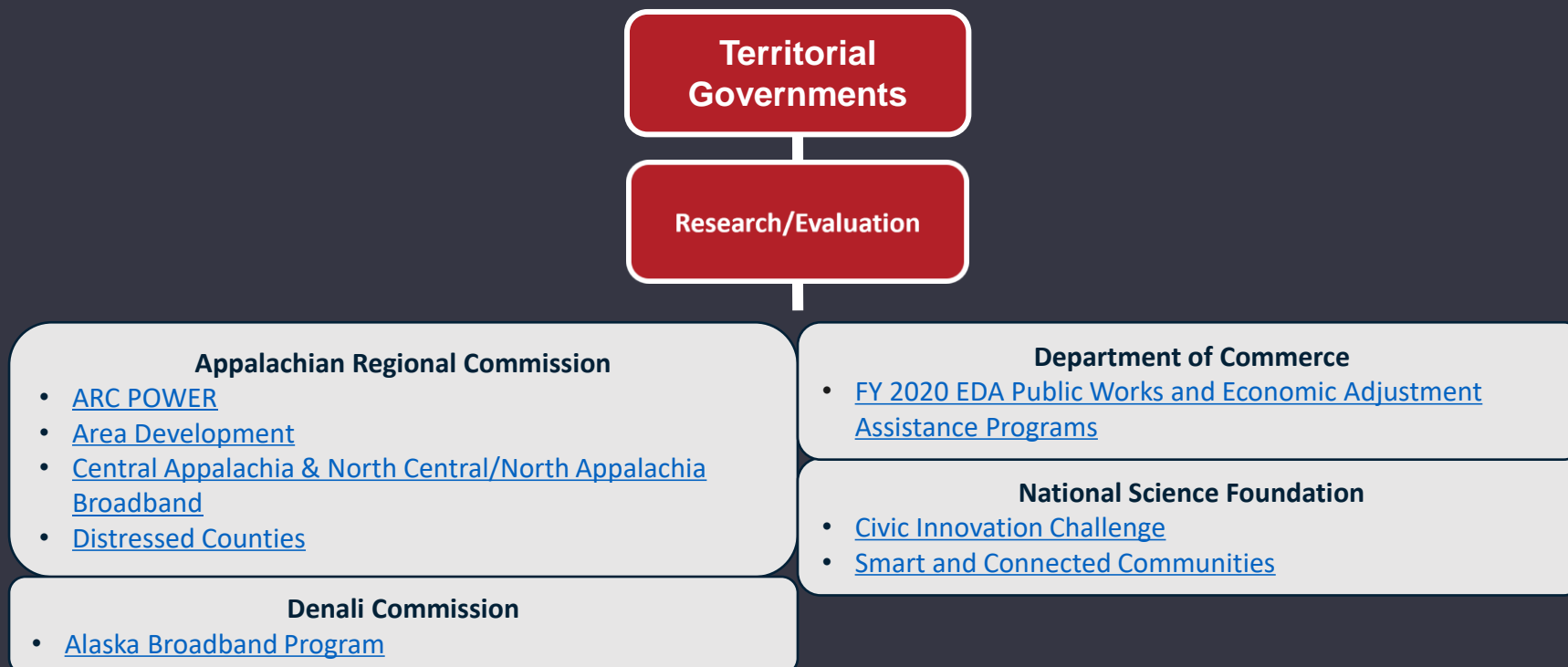
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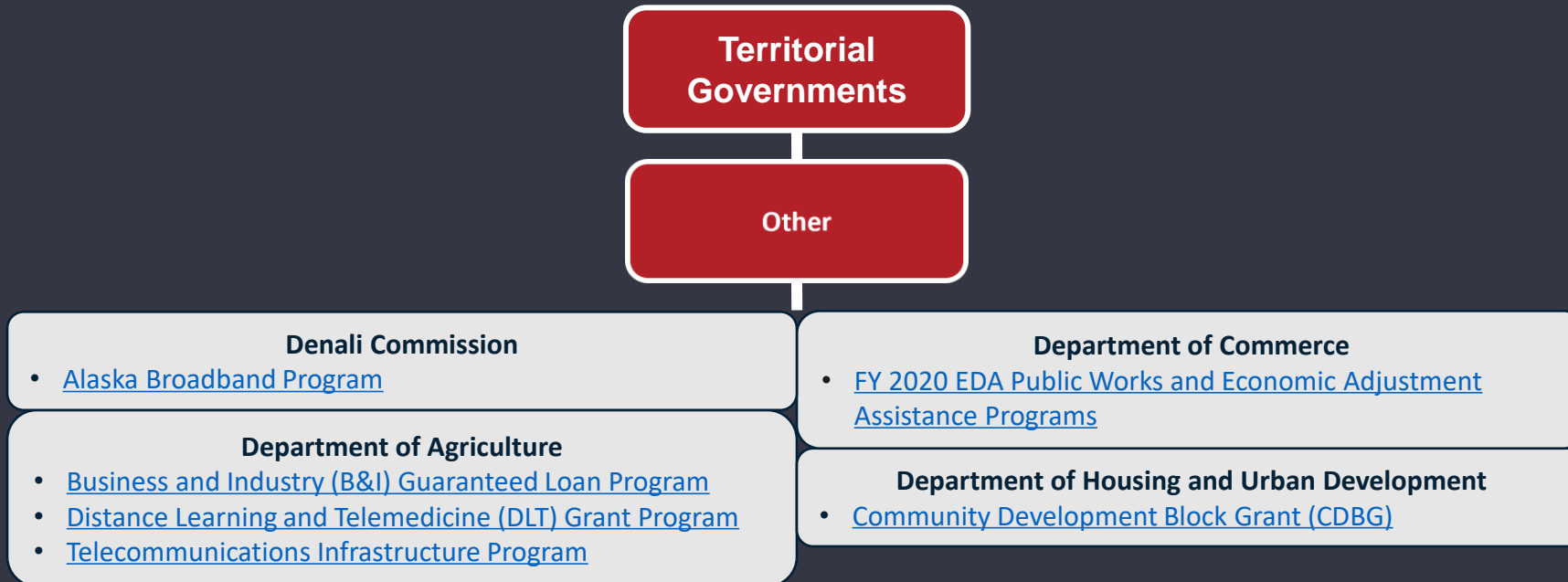
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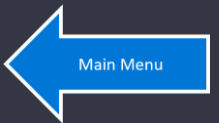
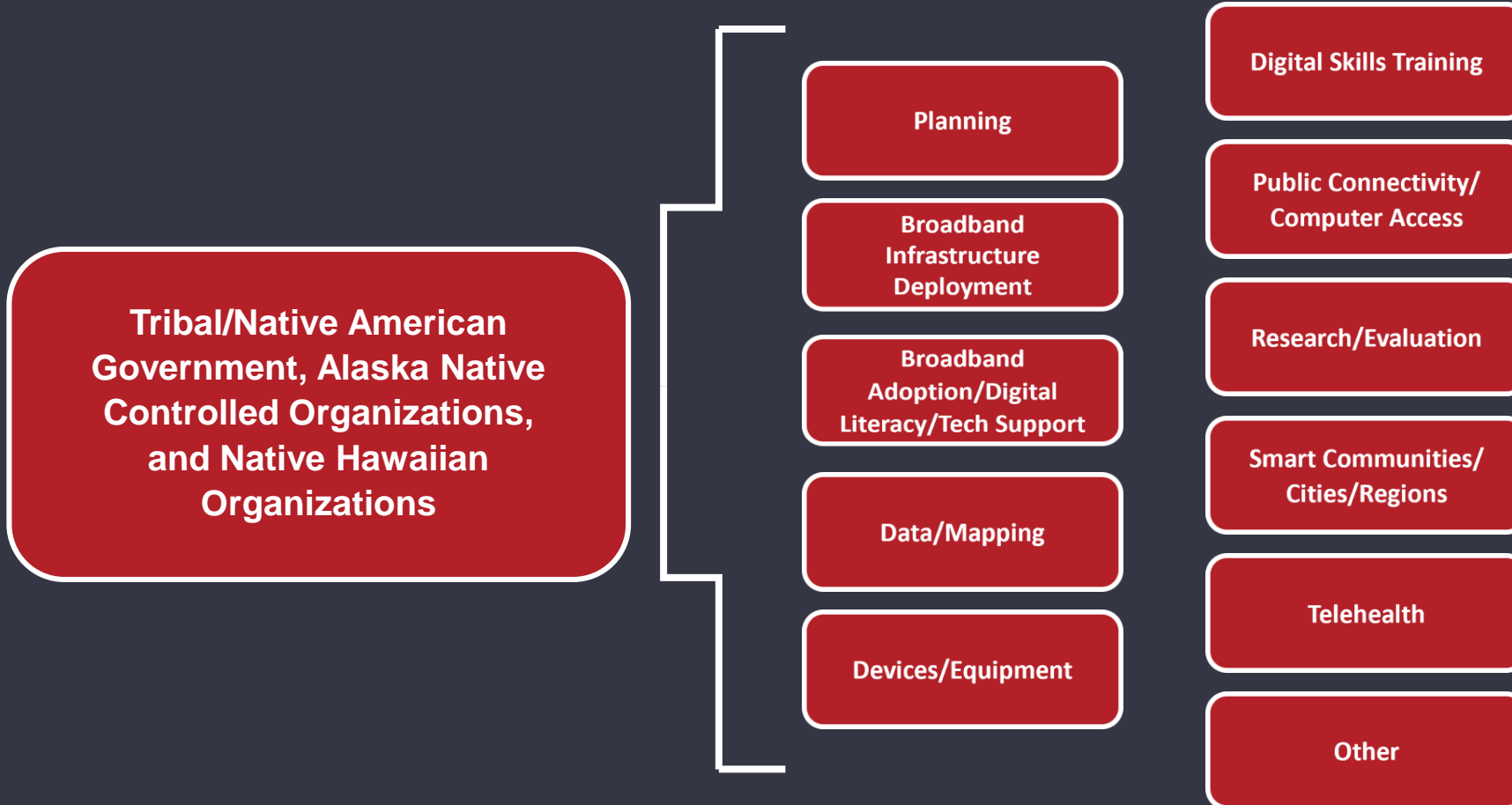
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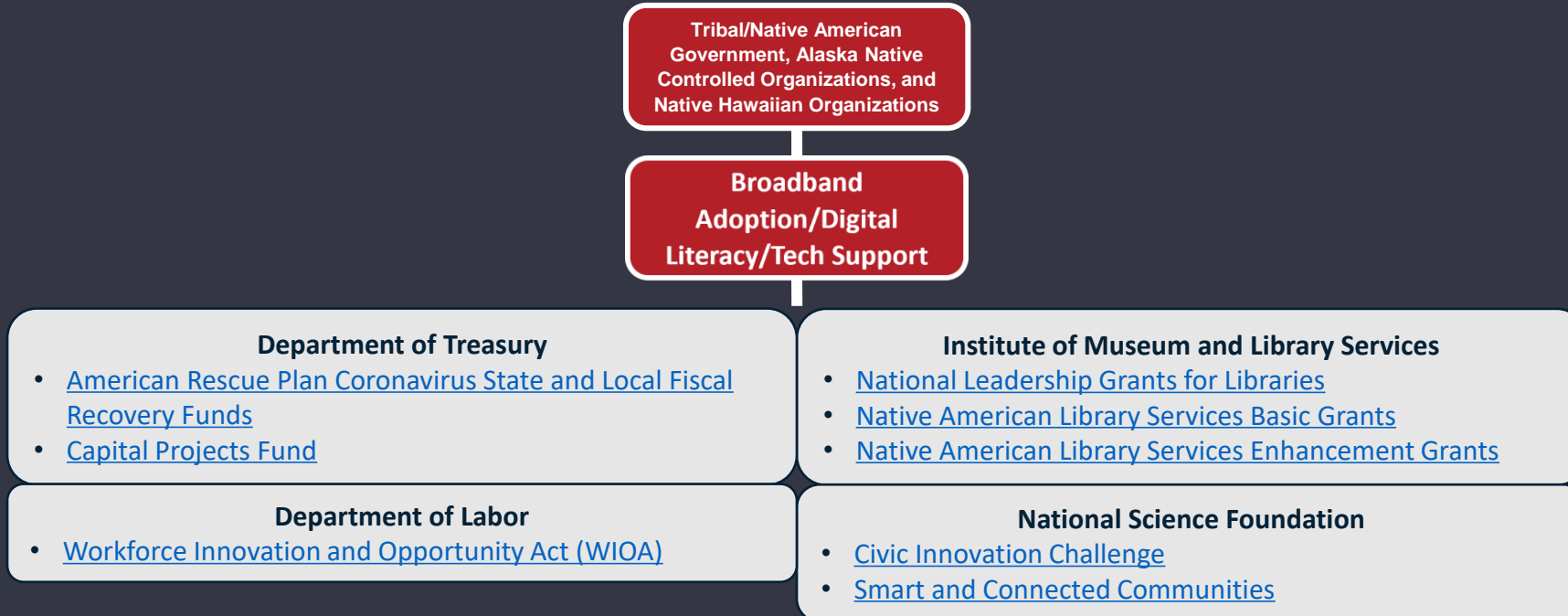
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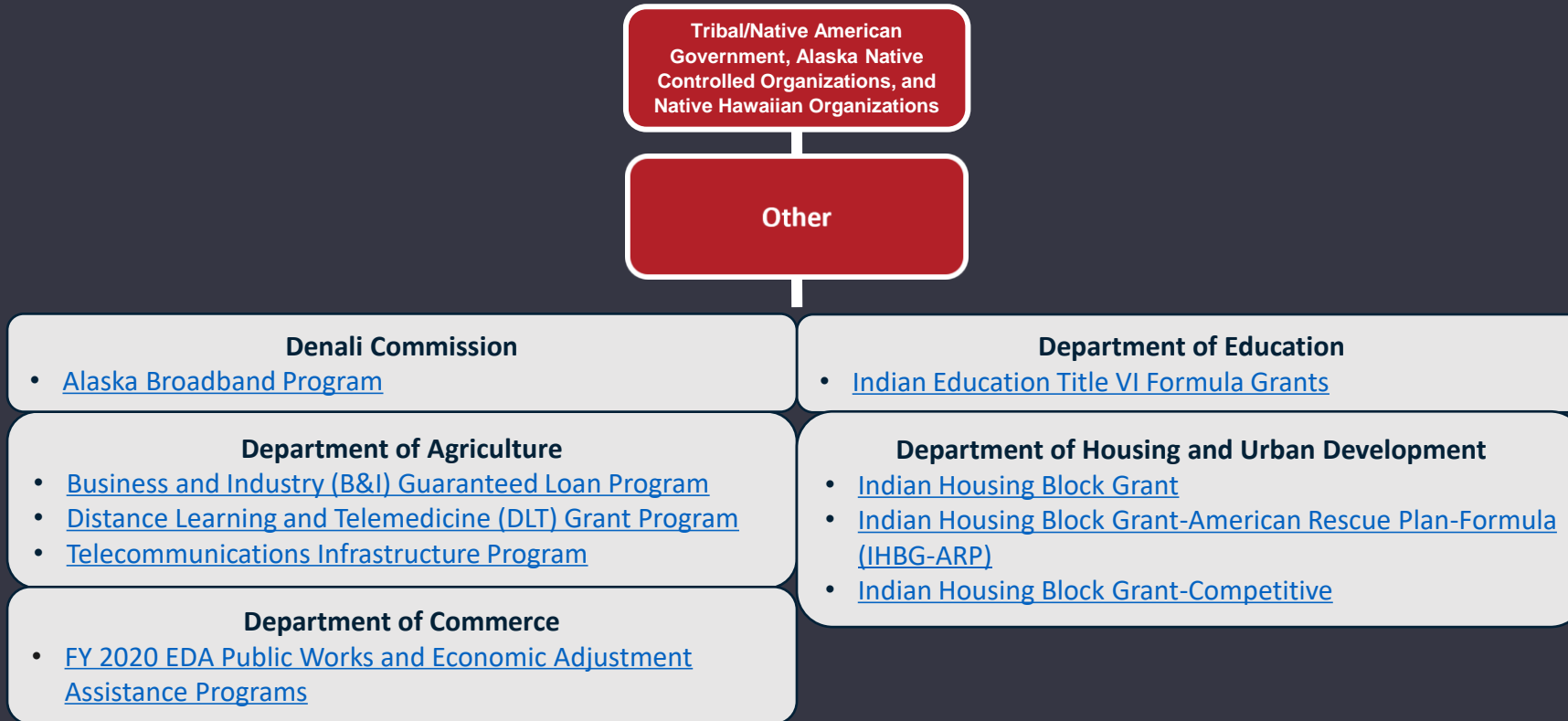
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ARC POWER

Department: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Federal Agency/Bureau: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Program Overview: POWER is a congressionally funded initiative that targets federal resources to help communities and regions that have been affected by job losses in coal mining, coal power plant operations, and coal-related supply chain industries due to the changing economics of America's energy production. Within the POWER Initiative, \$15 million is specifically available for broadband related projects.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application dates and deadlines are included in the ARC POWER RFP. Final application date for 2021 is April 16, 2021.

Contact Information: 1666 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20009-1068 Telephone: (202) 884-7700 Email: info@arc.gov. For questions on specific topic areas, please refer to the contacts listed on the ARC Offices and Staff page.

Program Website: www.arc.gov/power

Federal Funding Site: [Appalachian Regional Commission-ARC POWER](#)

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Area Development

Department: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Federal Agency/Bureau: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Program Overview: Each year ARC provides funding for several hundred investments in the Appalachian Region, in areas such as business development, education and job training, infrastructure (including broadband), community development, and transportation. These projects create thousands of new jobs, improve local water and sewer systems, increase school readiness, assist local communities with strategic planning, and provide technical and managerial assistance to emerging businesses.

Important Dates (if applicable): Applications can be submitted throughout the year although individual states may have specific requirements.

Contact Information: 1666 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20009-1068 Telephone: (202) 884-7700 Email: info@arc.gov. For questions on specific topic areas, please refer to the contacts listed on the ARC Offices and Staff page.

Program Website: www.arc.gov

Federal Funding Site: [Appalachian Regional Commission-Area Development](#)

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Central Appalachia & North Central/North Appalachia Broadband

Department: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Federal Agency/Bureau: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Program Overview: The development of broadband communications networks is one of the best ways to equip communities with the basic “building blocks” essential for economic and community development. ARC is dedicated to continuing broadband deployment in distressed counties in Central Appalachia as well as funds for a program of broadband deployment in distressed counties in North Central and Northern Appalachia.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application dates and deadlines are included in the ARC POWER RFP. Final application date for 2021 is April 16, 2021.

Contact Information: 1666 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20009-1068 Telephone: (202) 884-7700 Email: info@arc.gov. For questions on specific topic areas, please refer to the contacts listed on the ARC Offices and Staff page.

Program Website: www.arc.gov

Federal Funding Site: [Appalachian Regional Commission- Central Appalachia & North Central/North Appalachia Broadband](#)



Distressed Counties

Department: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Federal Agency/Bureau: Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Program Overview: ARC targets special resources to the most economically distressed counties in the region, using a measure of economic distress based on three economic indicators: three-year average unemployment rates, per capita market income, and poverty rates. ARC normally limits its maximum project funding contribution to 50 percent of costs, but it can increase its funding share to as much as 80 percent in distressed counties.

Important Dates (if applicable): Applications can be submitted throughout the year although individual states may have specific requirements.

Contact Information: 1666 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20009-1068 Telephone: (202) 884-7700 Email: info@arc.gov. For questions on specific topic areas, please refer to the contacts listed on the ARC Offices and Staff page.

Program Website: www.arc.gov

Federal Funding Site: [Appalachian Regional Commission-Distressed Counties](#)





Community Infrastructure Fund

Department: Delta Regional Authority

Federal Agency/Bureau: Delta Regional Authority

Program Overview: The Community Infrastructure Fund was created to target physical infrastructure projects that help build safer, more resilient communities in the Delta region. The three areas of investment through this program target basic public infrastructure, transportation infrastructure, and flood control project centered around economic development.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application cycle opens March 1, 2020 and closes June 6, 2021

Contact Information: Kemp Morgan at kmorgan@dra.gov or 662-483-8210

Program Website: <https://dra.gov/funding-programs-states-economic-development/investing-in-the-delta/>

Federal Funding Site: [Delta Regional Authority-Community Infrastructure Fund](#)





States Economic Development Assistance Program

Department: Delta Regional Authority

Federal Agency/Bureau: Delta Regional Authority

Program Overview: States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP) is a competitive grant program designed to support economic development activities across the Mississippi River Delta and Alabama Black Belt regions. SEDAP addresses the DRA's congressionally mandated four funding priorities: basic public infrastructure, transportation infrastructure, workforce development, and business development.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application cycle opens March 1, 2020 and closes June 6, 2021

Contact Information: Kemp Morgan at kmorgan@dra.gov or 662-483-8210

Program Website: <https://dra.gov/funding-programs-states-economic-development/investing-in-the-delta/>

Federal Funding Site: [Delta Regional Authority-States Economic Development Assistance Program](#)





Alaska Broadband Program

Department: Denali Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Denali Commission

Program Overview: The Denali Commission is tasked with building infrastructure and economic opportunity in Rural Alaska. Broadband is critical infrastructure that all Americans need, though not all Alaskan's have access to affordable broadband. This program is well suited for partnerships with additional funding agencies.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Erik OBrien, eobrien@denali.gov

Program Website: <https://www.denali.gov/>

Federal Funding Site: [Denali Commission-Alaska Broadband Program](#)





Business and Industry (B&I) Guaranteed Loan Program

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Program Overview: The Business and Industry program bolsters the availability of private credit by guaranteeing loans made by lenders to rural businesses. This program improves the economic health of rural communities by increasing access to business capital through loan guarantees that enable commercial lenders to provide affordable financing for businesses in eligible rural areas.

Important Dates (if applicable): Applications are accepted from lenders on an on-going basis.

Contact Information: Varies by state. See agency website

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-industry-loan-guarantees>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Business and Industry \(B&I\) Guaranteed Loan Program](#)





Community Connect Grant Program

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Utilities Service

Program Overview: The Community Connect program helps fund broadband deployment in rural communities where it is not yet economically viable for private-sector providers to deliver service. The grants offer financial assistance to eligible service providers that will construct, improve, or expand broadband networks in rural areas.

Important Dates (if applicable): Funding Opportunity Announcement was posted September 24, 2020, and 90-day application window closed December 23, 2020.

Contact Information: For questions about the Community Connect Grant Program, please email Community.Connect@usda.gov or call the Loan Origination and Approval Division at (202) 720-0800.

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/community-connect>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Community Connect Grant Program](#)





Community Facilities (CF) Direct Loan and Grant Program

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Housing Service

Program Overview: This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

Important Dates (if applicable): Applications accepted year-round.

Contact Information: For more information, contact your local Rural Development State Office: <https://rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices>.

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Community Facilities \(CF\) Direct Loan and Grant Program](#)





Community Facilities (CF) Guaranteed Loan Program

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Housing Service

Program Overview: This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

Important Dates (if applicable): Applications accepted year-round.

Contact Information: For more information, contact your local Rural Development State Office: <https://rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices>.

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-guaranteed-loan-program>

Federal Funding Site: [Community Facilities \(CF\) Guaranteed Loan Program](#)





Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Grant Program

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Utilities Service

Program Overview: The Distance Learning and Telemedicine program helps rural communities use the unique capabilities of telecommunications to connect to each other and to the world, overcoming the effects of remoteness and low population density.

Important Dates (if applicable): 60-day application window expected, start date TBD

Contact Information: DLTInfo@usda.gov Loan Origination and Approval Division (202) 720-0800 General Field Representatives (GFR)
<https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/telecom-gfr>

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Distance Learning and Telemedicine \(DLT\) Grant Program](#)



Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Utilities Service

Program Overview: ReConnect offers three types of funding options for broadband infrastructure to connect rural families, businesses, farms, ranches, schools, libraries, and public safety facilities to modern, high-speed internet. A rural area is eligible if it currently does not have sufficient access to broadband. The ReConnect grants, grant and loan combinations, and low-interest loans can be used to construct, improve, and acquire facilities that provide internet services to customers' premises, with reliable technologies that are suitable for the type of rural community and the type of high-speed internet use

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: <https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/contact-us>

Program Website: <https://www.usda.gov/reconnect>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Rural eConnectivity \(ReConnect\) Program](#)

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Rural Broadband Loan and Loan Guarantee Program (Broadband Program)

Department: Department of Agriculture
Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Utilities Service

Program Overview: The Broadband Program furnishes loans and loan guarantees to provide funds for the costs of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment needed to provide service at the broadband lending speed in eligible rural areas.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Loan Origination and Approval Division (202) 720-0800 General Field Representatives (GFR) <https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/telecom-gfr>

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-broadband-access-loan-and-loan-guarantee>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Rural Broadband Loan and Loan Guarantee Program \(Broadband Program\)](#)





Rural Business Development Grant Program (RBDG)

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Program Overview: The Rural Business Development Grant program provides funding designed to support targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses in rural areas that have fewer than 50 new employees and less than \$1 million in gross revenues. Programmatic activities are separated into enterprise or opportunity type grant activities.

Important Dates (if applicable): The deadline for completed applications to be received in the USDA Rural Development State Office no later than 4:30 p.m. (local time) is March 31, 2021.

Contact Information: Varies by state. See agency website.

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-business-development-grants-program>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Rural Business Development Grant Program \(RBDG\)](#)





Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) Grant Program

Department: Department of Agriculture
Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Housing Service

Program Overview: RCDI grants are awarded to help non-profit housing and community development organizations, low-income rural communities and federally recognized tribes support housing, community facilities and community and economic development projects in rural areas.

Important Dates (if applicable): For consideration in FY 2021, the Agency must receive a paper application by 4:00 p.m. local time, March 29, 2021. Electronic applications must be submitted via Grants.gov by Midnight Eastern time on March 22, 2021.

Contact Information: For more information, contact your local Rural Development State Office: <https://rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices>.

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-community-development-initiative-grants>
Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Rural Community Development Initiative \(RCDI\) Grant Program](#)



Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Programs (REDLG)

Department: Department of Agriculture

Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Program Overview: The Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant program provides funding for rural projects through local utility organizations. USDA provides zero-interest loans to local utilities which they, in turn, pass through to local businesses (ultimate recipients) for projects that will create and retain employment in rural areas. The ultimate recipients repay the lending utility directly. The utility is responsible for repayment to USDA.

Important Dates (if applicable): The deadline for completed applications to be received in the USDA Rural Development State Office for quarterly funding competitions are no later than 4:30 p.m. (local time) on: First Quarter, September 30, 2020; Second Quarter, December 31, 2020; Third Quarter, March 31, 2021 and Fourth Quarter, June 30, 2021.

Contact Information: Varies by state. See agency website

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-economic-development-loan-grant-program>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Programs \(REDLG\)](#)

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Telecommunications Infrastructure Program

Department: Department of Agriculture
Federal Agency/Bureau: Rural Utilities Service

Program Overview: The Infrastructure program provides financing for the construction, maintenance, improvement and expansion of telephone service and broadband in rural areas.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Loan Origination and Approval Division (202) 720-0800 General Field Representatives (GFR) <https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/telecom-gfr>

Program Website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-infrastructure-loans-loan-guarantees>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Agriculture-Telecommunications Infrastructure Program](#)





Broadband Infrastructure Program

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Program Overview: The Broadband Infrastructure Program makes grants on a competitive basis to covered partnerships for covered broadband projects. The term “covered partnership” means a partnership between: (A) a State, or one or more political subdivisions of a State; and (B) a provider of fixed broadband service. A covered partnership may include more than one provider of fixed broadband service as part of its application. Additionally, a provider of fixed broadband service may participate in more than one covered partnership. A provider of broadband service that is part of a covered partnership is not required to be designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier pursuant to section 214(e) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 214(e)). NTIA encourages municipalities, nonprofits, or cooperatives that own and/or operate broadband networks to participate in this program as part of a covered partnership.

Important Dates (if applicable): Complete applications must be received by www.grants.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on August 17, 2021. NTIA expects to complete its review, selection of successful applicants, and award processing by November 15, 2021. NTIA expects the earliest start date for awards under this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to be November 29, 2021.

Contact Information: Jennifer Duane, Senior Broadband Program Specialist (jduane@ntia.gov; 202-482- 2048)

Program Website: <https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/resources/grant-programs>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-Broadband Infrastructure Program](#)



Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Pilot Program

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Program Overview: The Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Pilot Program provides grants to eligible HBCUs, TCUs and MSIs in anchor communities for the purchase of broadband Internet access service or any eligible equipment, or to hire and train information technology personnel: (1) to facilitate educational instruction and learning, including through remote instruction; or (2) to operate a minority business enterprise; or (3) to operate a tax exempt organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Grant funds may be used to:(1) purchase broadband internet access service, including the installation or upgrade of broadband facilities on a one-time, capital improvement, basis to increase or expand broadband capacity and/or connectivity at the eligible institution; (2) purchase or lease of eligible equipment and devices for student or patron use, subject to any restrictions and prohibited uses; and (3) hire and train information technology personnel who are a part of the eligible anchor institution, MBE or Tax Exempt Organization.

Important Dates (if applicable): CMC Final Rule – June 1, 2021; Notice of Funding Opportunity – July __, 2021

Contact Information: Scott Woods, Senior Broadband Program Specialist (swoods@ntia.gov)

Program Website: Not Applicable

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-Connecting Minority Communities \(CMC\) Pilot Program](#)

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FY 2020 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Program Overview: The Economic Development Administration (EDA) has published the FY 2020 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs Notice of Funding Opportunity (PWEAA NOFO). EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) programs provide economically distressed communities and regions with comprehensive and flexible resources to address a wide variety of economic needs. Projects funded by these programs will support work in Opportunity Zones and will support the mission of the Department by, among other things, leading to the creation and retention of jobs and increased private investment, advancing innovation, enhancing the manufacturing capacities of regions, providing workforce development opportunities, and growing ecosystems that attract foreign direct investment. Through the PWEAA NOFO, EDA solicits applications from applicants in order to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, planning, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works program and EAA programs (which includes Assistance to Coal Communities). Grants and cooperative agreements made under these programs are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities, including those negatively impacted.

Important Dates (if applicable): There are no submission deadlines under the FY2020 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance funding opportunity. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until a new PWEAA NOFO is published, this PWEAA NOFO is cancelled, or all funds have been expended. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the EDA representative for their applicable State before submission to clarify technical matters and alignment of the project with EDA mission and investment priorities.

Contact Information: Please contact your local economic development representative (based on the location of the proposed project) at <https://www.eda.gov/contact/>

Program Website: <https://eda.gov/funding-opportunities/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce - FY 2020 EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs](#)

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FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Build Back Better Regional Challenge Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Program Overview: The Build Back Better Regional Challenge is designed to assist communities nationwide in their efforts to build back better by accelerating economic recovery from the coronavirus pandemic and building local economics that will be resilient to future economic shocks. The \$1 billion Build Back Better Regional Challenge will provide a transformational investment to 20-30 regions across the country that want to revitalize their economies. These regions will have the opportunity to grow new regional industry clusters or scale existing ones through planning, infrastructure, innovation and entrepreneurship, workforce development, access to capital and more. This ARPA BBBRC NOFO is designed to support clusters in transforming their regional economy through groups of complementary, aligned construction and non-construction projects. The projects should be organized under a singular vision to support industry growth across the region. Interested regions should form regional coalitions, in coordination with private sector partners and other partners, that share a common vision for how significant investment from EDA could catalyze wage growth, increased economic growth, the creation of a new industry, and/or the scaling or growth of existing industries in their region. The identified projects should foster economic growth and competitiveness through job creation, capacity building, and attracting private investment. Through this program, EDA can provide funding to support a wide range of non-construction and construction activities. This includes construction activities for eligible entities such as water and sewer system improvements, industrial parks, shipping and logistics facilities, business incubators and accelerators, brownfield redevelopment, technology-based facilities, food aggregation, processing and distribution centers, wet labs, multi-tenant manufacturing facilities, science and research parks, transportation enhancements, and telecommunications infrastructure (e.g., broadband) and development facilities. This also includes non-construction activities such as design and engineering, technical assistance, economic recovery strategy development, entrepreneurial support, demand-driven workforce training, new academic curricula, market feasibility studies, and the capitalization of revolving loan funds (RLFs).

Important Dates (if applicable): This is a two-phase competition. The deadline for Phase 1 Concept Proposals is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on October 19, 2021. For Phase 1 finalists selected to proceed to Phase 2, the deadline for Full Applications is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on March 15, 2022. Applications received after this deadline will not be reviewed or considered.

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Contact Information: BuildBackBetter@eda.gov

Program Website: <https://eda.gov/arpa/build-back-better>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Build Back Better Regional Challenge Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)





FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Program Overview: EDA's American Rescue Plan Economic Adjustment Assistance program makes \$500 million in Economic Adjustment Assistance grants available to American communities. The Economic Adjustment Assistance program is EDA's most flexible program, and grants made under this program will help hundreds of communities across the nation plan, build, innovate, and put people back to work through construction or non-construction projects designed to meet local needs. A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program. Through the ARPA EAA program, EDA provides investments that support a wide range of non-construction and construction activities in regions experiencing severe economic dislocations, such as those brought about or exacerbated by the coronavirus pandemic. Through this program, EDA can support both the development of pandemic recovery strategies and the implementation of recovery projects identified with those strategies. This includes construction activities such as water and sewer system improvements, industrial parks, high-tech shipping and logistics facilities, business incubators and accelerators, brownfield redevelopment, technology-based facilities, wet labs, multi-tenant manufacturing facilities, science and research parks, workforce training facilities, and telecommunications infrastructure (e.g., broadband) and development facilities. This also includes non-construction activities such as design and engineering, technical assistance, economic recovery strategy development, and capitalization of revolving loan funds (RLFs).

Important Dates (if applicable): There are no application submission deadlines. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until the publication of a new ARPA EAA NOFO, cancellation of this ARPA EAA NOFO, or all available funds have been expended. While EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit their applications as soon as possible, EDA strongly advises eligible applicants to submit complete applications no later than March 31, 2022 so that EDA can review and process the application in time to get a potential award in place prior to deadlines imposed by Congress. Submission by March 31, 2022 is not a guarantee of funding.

Contact Information: www.eda.gov/contact

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Program Website: <https://eda.gov/arpa/economic-adjustment-assistance>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)





FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Good Jobs Challenge Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Program Overview: EDA's American Rescue Plan Good Jobs Challenge aims to get Americans back to work by building and strengthening systems and partnerships that bring together employers who have hiring needs with other key entities to train workers with in-demand skills that lead to good-paying jobs. Through the Good Jobs Challenge, EDA is allocating \$500 million to collaborative skills training systems and programs. EDA encourages efforts to reach historically underserved populations and areas, communities of color, women, and other groups facing labor market barriers such as persons with disabilities, disconnected youth, individuals in recovery, individuals with past criminal records, including justice impacted and reentry participants, serving trainees participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Women, Infants and Children (WIC), and veterans and military spouses. These systems and partnerships will create and implement industry-led training programs, designed to provide skills for and connect unemployed or underemployed workers to existing and emerging job opportunities. Ultimately, these systems are designed to train workers with the skills to secure a union job or a quality job that provides good pay, benefits, and growth opportunities.

Important Dates (if applicable): The deadline for application submission is 11:59 pm Eastern Time on January 26, 2022. Proposals or applications received after the above deadlines will not be reviewed or considered.

Contact Information: GoodJobsChallenge@eda.gov

Program Website: <https://eda.gov/arpa/good-jobs-challenge>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Good Jobs Challenge Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)





FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Indigenous Communities Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Program Overview: Through the Indigenous Communities program, EDA is allocating \$100 million in American Rescue Plan funding specifically for Indigenous communities, which were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. This program is designed to support the needs of Tribal Governments and Indigenous communities. EDA will support these important partners to develop and execute economic development projects that they need to recover from the pandemic and build economies for the future. A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program. Indigenous communities are also eligible and encouraged to apply under all of EDA's other programs. Competitive applications for funding under this NOFO will propose projects designed to create the conditions for economic growth in indigenous communities and to accelerate economic recovery from the pandemic. These projects can include foundational economic infrastructure projects, such as such as broadband, energy, road, water, and wastewater infrastructure (including community water facilities); vocational and higher education facilities; and community health facilities that are necessary for future job creation. Projects can also include non-construction projects to provide technical assistance to support business development, entrepreneurship assistance, economic development planning, rural prosperity, and workforce training in indigenous communities. Further, EDA seeks to fund projects representing diverse geographies, from rural and urban settings to projects on or near tribal lands.

Important Dates (if applicable): Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until the publication of a new Indigenous Communities NOFO, cancellation of this Indigenous Communities NOFO, all available funds have been expended, or funds made available under this NOFO expire. While EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit their applications as soon as possible, EDA strongly advises eligible applicants to submit complete applications at least by March 31, 2022 so that EDA can review and process the application in time to get a potential award in place prior to deadlines imposed by Congress. Submission by March 31, 2022 is not a guarantee of funding. Any award is subject to the availability of funds. EDA strongly encourages all applicants to start early and contact their EDA representative for assistance.

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FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Indigenous Communities Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Contact Information: indigenous@eda.gov

Program Website: <https://eda.gov/arpa/indigenous/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Indigenous Communities Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)





FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Statewide Planning, Research, and Networks Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Program Overview: Through the Statewide Planning, Research & Networks program, EDA is supporting states in planning efforts by allocating \$59 million for Statewide Planning Grants. In addition, the program will allocate \$31 million for Research and Networks Grants to invest in research that assesses the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and provides support for stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives. Awards made under this NOFO will help develop coordinated state-wide plans for economic development and data, tools, and institutional capacity to evaluate and scale evidence-based economic development efforts, including through communities of practice and provision of technical assistance among existing and new EDA grantees. Through grants provided to States, EDA will fund a variety of activities among which the State may choose one or more to fund, including but not limited to: Supporting statewide broadband data collection and mapping efforts and developing statewide broadband deployment and technical assistance plans, as well as Developing economic development plans that identify new or existing industry clusters that would benefit from specific infrastructure, studies, and/or workforce investments to facilitate rapid expansion of such industry clusters; Bringing together potentially disparate existing local and regional plans, such as Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS), or state and local plans under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), into one holistic and inclusive state-wide plan or a plan that encompasses multiple regions within a state or across state lines including strengthening links between urban and rural areas; Analyzing the needs of persistent poverty communities and formulating strategies to decrease disparities between these areas and more prosperous areas within a State; Facilitating coordination with Tribes or other indigenous communities regarding State, regional, or local planning efforts that intersect with the Tribes' interests and are supported by impacted Tribal communities; Conducting a statewide skills assessment and analysis to help inform workforce development and training needs based on employers' demand for skills, including coordination with the state labor market information agency and the state workforce development board; and Other related activities as approved by EDA. Statewide Planning grants cannot fund construction, though feasibility studies are permissible provided they fall within the scope of one of the above activities.



FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Statewide Planning, Research, and Networks Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Important Dates (if applicable): For Statewide Planning grants, States must accept or reject the grant within 45 days of the date of transmission from EDA of an invitation letter. For Research and Network Grants, EDA will accept applications on a rolling basis. EDA encourages eligible applicants to submit their applications as soon as possible.

Contact Information: Please email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Research program to research@eda.gov/ Please email your questions about the American Rescue Plan Networks program to networks@eda.gov

Program Website: <https://eda.gov/arpa/planning-grants/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act \(ARPA\) Statewide Planning, Research, and Networks Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)

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Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program

Department: Department of Commerce

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Program Overview: The Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program will provide grants to expand access to and adoption of (a) broadband service on Tribal land; or (b) remote learning, telework, or telehealth resources during the COVID-19 pandemic. The program, authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Division N, Title IX, Section 905, Public Law 116-260, 134 Stat. 1182, makes grants available eligible entities, which include Tribal Governments, Tribal organizations, Tribal Colleges or Universities (TCUs), the Department of Hawaiian Homelands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community, and Native Corporations as defined under Section 3 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. These funds will provide new sources of broadband funding that can assist Tribal entities in mitigating the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic exacerbating the digital divide across Indian Country.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: Not Applicable

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Commerce-Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program](#)





21st Century Community Learning Centers

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program supports the creation of community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during nonschool hours for children, particularly students who attend high poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students meet state and local student standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math; offers students a broad array of enrichment activities that can complement their regular academic programs; and offers literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/21st-century-community-learning-centers/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - 21st Century Community Learning Centers](#)



Adult basic and literacy education State grants

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Adult Education and Family Literacy State Grant program provides grants to eligible agencies to provide adult education and literacy services. These grants help adults (1) become literate and obtain the knowledge and skills necessary for employment and economic self-sufficiency; (2) obtain the education and skills that are necessary to become full partners in the educational development of their children and lead to sustainable improvements in the economic opportunities for their family; and (3) attain a secondary school diploma and transition to postsecondary education and training, including through career pathways. These grants also assist immigrants and other individuals who are English language learners in improving their reading, writing, speaking, and comprehension skills in English and mathematics and in acquiring an understanding of the American system of government, individual freedom, and the responsibilities of citizenship.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://aefta.ed.gov/state-grants>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Adult basic and literacy education State grants](#)

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Adult Education - National leadership activities

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program supports activities to enhance the quality of adult education and literacy programs nationwide. Priorities include technical assistance to states, accountability and data quality, demonstrations or models of what works, dissemination on innovations and best practices, expanding access to services, and research and evaluation.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://aefta.ed.gov/national-leadership-activities>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Adult Education - National leadership activities](#)

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Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program provides grants assistance to eligible Alaska Native-serving institutions and Native Hawaiian-serving institutions of higher education to enable such institutions to improve and expand their capacity to serve Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians. This program helps eligible institutions of higher education increase their self-sufficiency and expand their capacity to serve low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability of eligible institutions.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/idadesannh/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions](#)

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Alaska Native Education Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The overall purpose of the Alaska Native Education program is to meet the unique education needs of Alaska Natives and to support supplemental education programs to benefit Alaska Natives. Grantees under the program use their funds for such activities as the development of curricula and education programs that address the education needs of Alaska Native students, and the development and operation of student enrichment programs in science and mathematics. Eligible activities also include professional development for educators, activities carried out through Even Start programs and Head Start programs, family literacy services, and dropout prevention programs.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/rural-insular-native-achievement-programs/alaska-native-education-equity/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Alaska Native Education Program](#)





American Indian Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program helps eligible institutions of higher education increase their self-sufficiency by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability of eligible institutions.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/idadesaitcc/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - American Indian Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities](#)



American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The purpose of the American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services (AIVRS) program, which is also known as the Section 121 Program, is to provide grants to the governing bodies of Indian Tribes to develop or to increase their capacity to provide a program of vocational rehabilitation services, in a culturally relevant manner, to American Indians with disabilities residing on or near federal or state reservations. The program's goal is to assist American Indians with disabilities, consistent with such individuals' strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests, and informed choice, so that such individuals may prepare for, and engage in, high-quality employment that will increase opportunities for economic self-sufficiency. Program services are provided under an individualized plan for employment and may include native healing services.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://rsa.ed.gov/about/programs/american-indian-vocational-rehabilitation-services>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program](#)

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Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program provides grants and related assistance to Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving institutions to enable such institutions to improve and expand their capacity to serve Asian Americans and Native American Pacific Islanders and low-income individuals.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/aanapi/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions](#)

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Career and Technical Education State Grants

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: Career and Technical Education (CTE) State Grants are authorized under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 as amended and reauthorized by the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) in 2018. The program assists states and outlying areas in expanding and improving career and technical education in high schools, technical schools, and community colleges. Each state uses program funds to support a variety of career and technical education programs developed in accordance with its State plan.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://cte.ed.gov/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Career and Technical Education State Grants](#)

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Demonstration Grants for Indian Children

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: Demonstration Grants for Indian Children is a competitive discretionary grant program that supports projects to develop, test and demonstrate the effectiveness of services and programs to improve educational opportunities and achievement of Indian children. For FY16-18, the absolute priority was a Native Youth Community Project (NYCP) that focused on a defined local geographic area, centered on the goal of ensuring that Indian students were prepared for college and careers, was informed by evidence, focused on one or more barriers or opportunities with a community-based strategy or strategies and measurable objectives, was designed and implemented through a partnership of various entities, and demonstrated the capacity to improve outcomes that are relevant to the project focus through experience with programs funded through other sources. For FY20, the absolute priority was Accessing Choices in Education (ACE) where projects must expand educational choice by enabling a Tribe, or the grantee and its Tribal partner, to select a project focus that meets the needs of their students, and enabling parents of Indian students, or the students, to choose education services by selecting the specific service and provider desired.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-indian-education/demonstration-grants-for-indian-children/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Demonstration Grants for Indian Children](#)

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Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Grants for Infants and Families program (Part C) awards formula grants to the 50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Department of the Interior, and Outlying Areas to assist them in implementing statewide systems of coordinated, comprehensive, multidisciplinary, interagency programs and making early intervention services available to children with disabilities, aged birth through 2, and their families. Under the program, states are responsible for ensuring that appropriate early intervention services are made available to all eligible birth-through-2-year-olds with disabilities and their families, including Indian children and families who reside on reservations geographically located in the State.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/osepeip/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities](#)

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Education for Homeless Children and Youth

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: Formula grants are made to the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico based on each state's share of Title I, Part A, funds. The outlying areas and the Bureau of Indian Education also receive funds. Among other things, the program supports an office for coordination of the education of homeless children and youths in each state, which gathers comprehensive information about homeless children and youths and the impediments they must overcome to regularly attend school. These grants also help state educational agencies (SEAs) ensure that homeless children, including preschoolers and youths, have equal access to free and appropriate public education (FAPE).

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/education-for-homeless-children-and-youths-grants-for-state-and-local-activities/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Education for Homeless Children and Youth](#)

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English Language Acquisition State Grants

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program is designed to improve the education of English Learner (EL) children and youth by helping them learn English and meet challenging state academic content and student academic achievement standards. The program also provides enhanced instructional opportunities for immigrant children and youth. Funds are distributed to states based on a formula that takes into account the number of immigrant and EL students in each state

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/english-language-acquisition-state-grants/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - English Language Acquisition State Grants](#)

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Full-Service Community Schools

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Full-Service Community Schools (FSCS) program provides support for the planning, implementation, and operation of full-service community schools that improve the coordination, integration, accessibility, and effectiveness of services for children and families, particularly for children attending high-poverty schools, including high-poverty rural schools.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/school-choice-improvement-programs/full-service-community-schools-program-fscs/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Full-Service Community Schools](#)

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GEAR UP (Gaining early awareness and readiness for undergraduate programs)

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This discretionary grant program is designed to increase the number of low income students who are prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education. GEAR UP provides six-year or seven years grants to states and partnerships to provide services at high-poverty middle and high schools. GEAR UP grantees serve an entire cohort of students beginning no later than the seventh grade and follow the cohort through high school. GEAR UP funds are also used to provide college scholarships to low-income students.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/gearup/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - GEAR UP \(Gaining early awareness and readiness for undergraduate programs\)](#)

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HSI STEM and Articulation Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This discretionary grant program is designed to increase the number of Hispanic and low-income students that acquire a degree in a STEM area. The program also supports the articulation to facilitate the transfer of students from 2yr to 4yr degree STEM program. Additionally, given the number of allowable activities, grantees can use these funds to improve labs and equipment, as well as faculty development, and STEM course improvements.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/hsistem/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-HSI STEM and Articulation Program](#)



Impact Aid Programs

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The mission of this program is to disburse Impact Aid payments to local educational agencies that are financially burdened by federal activities. Funds are provided under Section 7002 and 7003(b) of the ESEA to local public school districts that serve significant numbers of federally connected children and that have lost a substantial portion of local property tax base due to the acquisition of federal property. Funds are available for all general fund purposes and can be expended for any purpose, similar to local revenue for education.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/impact-aid-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Impact Aid Programs](#)

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Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Educational Agencies (Title I, Part A)

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: Title I, Part A (Title I) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESEA) provides financial assistance to local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure that all children, particularly low achieving children, meet challenging state academic standards. Federal funds are currently allocated through four statutory formulas that are based primarily on census poverty estimates and the cost of education in each state.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/title-i-part-a-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Educational Agencies \(Title I, Part A\)](#)

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Indian Education Title VI Formula Grants

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program is designed to address the unique cultural, language, and educationally related academic needs of American Indian and Alaska Native students, including preschool children. The programs funded are to meet the unique cultural, language, and educational needs of Indian students and ensure that all students meet the challenging State academic standard. The program is the Department's principal vehicle for addressing the particular needs of Indian children. While adhering to all related program requirements, grantees will provide participant Native American/American Indian and Alaska Native PreK-12 students with valid ED506 forms or who are included in an approved BIE ISEP Count with highly-relevant, culturally-based academic learning experiences that improve their skill-set(s), while addressing the needs of the "whole child/person."

Important Dates (if applicable): Part I of Electronic Application System for Indian Education (EASIE) Applications Available: February 8, 2021. Deadline for Transmittal of EASIE Part I: March 11, 2021. Part II of EASIE Applications Available: April 5, 2021. Deadline for Transmittal of EASIE Part II: May 14, 2021.

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-indian-education/indian-education-formula-grants/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Indian Education Title VI Formula Grants](#)

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Magnet Schools Assistance

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Magnet Schools Assistance program provides grants to eligible local educational agencies to establish and operate magnet schools that are operated under a court-ordered or federally approved voluntary desegregation plan. These grants assist in the desegregation of public schools by supporting the elimination, reduction, and prevention of minority group isolation in elementary and secondary schools with substantial numbers of minority group students. In order to meet the statutory purposes of the program, projects also must support the development and implementation of magnet schools that assist in the achievement of systemic reforms and provide all students with the opportunity to meet challenging academic content and student academic achievement standards.

Projects support the development and design of innovative education methods and practices that promote diversity and increase choices in public education programs. The program supports capacity development—the ability of a school to help all its students meet more challenging standards—through professional development and other activities that will enable the continued operation of the magnet schools at a high performance level after funding ends. Finally, the program supports the implementation of courses of instruction in magnet schools that strengthen students’ knowledge of academic subjects and their grasp of tangible and marketable vocational skills.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/school-choice-improvement-programs/magnet-school-assistance-program-msap/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Magnet Schools Assistance](#)

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Migrant Education Program—State Grants

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The goal of the Migrant Education Program is to ensure that all migratory children reach challenging academic standards and graduate with a high school diploma or complete a high school equivalency that prepares them for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment. Funds support high quality education programs for migratory children and help ensure that migratory children who move among the States are not penalized by disparities among States in curriculum, graduation requirements, and State academic standards.

Funds also ensure that migratory children not only are provided with appropriate education services that address their unique needs but also that such children receive full and appropriate opportunities to meet the same State academic standards that all children are expected to meet. Federal funds are allocated by formula to State educational agencies (SEAs) based on the three year average of the number of eligible migratory children, ages 3 through 21, residing within the state, the number of migratory children, ages 3 through 21, receiving summer services during the previous year, and each state's per pupil expenditure for education.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-migrant-education/migrant-education-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Migrant Education Program—State Grants](#)

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Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program provides grants and related assistance to Native American-serving, nontribal institutions to enable such institutions to improve and expand their capacity to serve Native Americans and low-income individuals.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/nasnti/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions](#)

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Native Hawaiian Education Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The purpose of the Native Hawaiian Education program is to develop innovative education programs to assist Native Hawaiians and to supplement and expand programs and authorities in the area of education. Authorized activities include, among others: early education and care programs; family-based education centers; beginning reading and literacy programs; activities to address the needs of gifted and talented Native Hawaiian students; special education programs; professional development for educators; and activities to enable Native Hawaiian students to enter and complete postsecondary education programs.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/rural-insular-native-achievement-programs/native-hawaiian-education/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Native Hawaiian Education Program](#)

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Preschool Grants for Children with Disabilities

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Preschool Grants program provides formula grants to states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico to make available special education and related services for children with disabilities aged 3 through 5. In order to be eligible for these grants, states must serve all eligible children with disabilities aged 3 through 5 and have an approved application under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). A state that does not make a free appropriate public education (FAPE) available to all children with disabilities aged 3 through 5 cannot receive funds under this program or funds attributable to this age range under the IDEA Grants to States program. Currently, all States are making FAPE available to all children aged 3 through 5 with disabilities.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/oseppsg/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Preschool Grants for Children with Disabilities](#)

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Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth who are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The purpose of this program is to improve educational services for children and youth in local, tribal, and State institutions who are neglected, or delinquent children and youth, so that they have the opportunity to meet the same challenging State academic standards that all children in the State are expected to meet; provide these children and youth with services to successfully transition to further schooling or employment; and prevent youth who are at risk from dropping out of school and provide youth who drop out and children and youth returning from correctional facilities with a support system to ensure their continued education and the involvement of their families and communities.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/school-support-and-accountability/prevention-intervention-programs-children-youths-neglected-delinquent-risk/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth who are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk](#)

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Promise Neighborhoods

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Promise Neighborhoods program is authorized under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The program provides funding to support eligible entities, including (1) institutions of higher education; (2) an Indian tribe or tribal organization; (3) one or more nonprofit organizations, which may include faith-based nonprofit organizations, in partnership with high-need LEAs, institutions of higher education, the office of a chief elected official of a unit of local government, or an Indian tribe or tribal organization.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/school-choice-improvement-programs/promise-neighborhoods-pn/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Promise Neighborhoods](#)

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Rural and Low-Income School Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The purpose of the Rural and Low-Income School (RLIS) grant program is to provide poor, rural districts with financial assistance to address the unique needs of rural school districts that frequently lack the personnel and resources needed to compete effectively for Federal competitive grants and receive formula grant allocations in amounts too small to be effective in meeting their intended purposes. The grant is non-competitive, and eligibility is determined by statute. Awards are issued annually to state educational agencies (SEAs), which make sub-grants to local educational agencies (LEAs) that meet the applicable requirements. Awards are made to all SEAs with eligible LEAs that apply and meet the applicable requirements of the act (see legislative citation above).

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/rural-insular-native-achievement-programs/rural-education-achievement-program/rural-and-low-income-school-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Rural and Low-Income School Program](#)

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Small, Rural School Achievement Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The purpose of the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) program is to provide small, rural local educational agencies (LEAs) with financial assistance to address the unique needs of rural school districts that frequently lack the personnel and resources needed to compete effectively for Federal competitive grants and receive formula grant allocations in amounts too small to be effective in meeting their intended purposes. LEAs are entitled to funds if they meet eligibility and application requirements. Awards are issued annually, and award amounts are determined using a formula.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/rural-insular-native-achievement-programs/rural-education-achievement-program/small-rural-school-achievement-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Small, Rural School Achievement Program](#)



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Special Education-Grants to States

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The Grants to States program provides formula grants to assist the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Department of the Interior, Outlying Areas, and the Freely Associated States in meeting the excess costs of providing special education and related services to children with disabilities. In order to be eligible for funding, states must serve all children with disabilities between the ages of 3 through 21, except that they are not required to serve children aged 3 through 5 or 18 through 21 years if services are inconsistent with State law or practice or the order of any court. A state that does not provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to children with disabilities aged 3 through 5 cannot receive base payment funds attributable to this age group or any funds under the Preschool Grants program.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/osepgts/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Special Education-Grants to States](#)

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State Supported Employment Services Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The State Supported Employment Services Program is authorized by Title VI of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act), as amended by Title IV of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). This program provides grants to assist States in developing and implementing collaborative programs with appropriate entities to provide supported employment services for individuals with the most significant disabilities, including youth with the most significant disabilities, who require supported employment services following the achievement of a supported employment outcome. Supported employment grant funds are used to supplement funds provided under the State VR Services Program to provide supported employment services. Program funds may be used to provide supported employment services, once an individual has been placed in supported employment, for up to 24 months and to supplement other VR services necessary to help individuals with the most significant disabilities find work in the integrated labor market.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Suzanne Mitchell E-mail: suzanne.mitchell@ed.gov Telephone: (202) 245-7454

Program Website: <https://rsa.ed.gov/about/programs/supported-employment-services-for-individuals-with-the-most-significant-disabilities>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-State Supported Employment Services Program](#)

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State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services Program is authorized by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act), as amended by Title IV of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). This program provides grants to assist States in operating statewide VR programs, each of which is an integral part of a statewide workforce development system. State VR programs provide VR services for individuals with disabilities, consistent with their strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests, and informed choice, so that they may prepare for and engage in competitive integrated employment or supported employment and achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://rsa.ed.gov/about/programs/vocational-rehabilitation-state-grants>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program](#)

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Statewide Family Engagement Centers Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The purpose of the Statewide Family Engagement Centers (SFEC) program is to provide financial support to organizations that provide technical assistance and training to State educational agencies (SEAs) and local educational agencies (LEAs) in the implementation and enhancement of systemic and effective family engagement policies, programs, and activities that lead to improvements in student development and academic achievement.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/school-choice-improvement-programs/statewide-family-engagement-centers-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Statewide Family Engagement Centers Program](#)





Title III, Part B: Strengthening Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: This program provides financial assistance to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to establish or strengthen their physical plants, financial management, academic resources, and endowment-building capacity.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Wendy Lawrence E-mail: Wendy.Lawrence@ed.gov Telephone: (202) 453-7821

Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iduestitle3b/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Title III, Part B: Strengthening Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program](#)



Title III, Part A: Strengthening Institutions

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: The program helps eligible IHEs to become self-sufficient and expand their capacity to serve low- income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability of eligible institutions.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: James Laws E-mail: james.laws@ed.gov Telephone: (202) 453-7348

Program Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/iduestitle3a/index.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Title III, Part A: Strengthening Institutions](#)

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Tribally Controlled Postsecondary Career and Technical Institutions

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: Each year under the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) statute, Section 117, Congress appropriates approximately \$10 million under the Tribally Controlled Postsecondary Career and Technical Institutions Program (TCPCTIP) to tribally controlled postsecondary career and technical institutions that do not receive assistance under the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act or the Navajo Community College Act to provide basic support for the education and training Indian students.

The TCPCTIP grantees are authorized to use grant funds for expenses associated with capital expenditures, maintenance and operation of programs, expansion and improvement of educational offerings and student support services, including tuition and fees, books, childcare, counseling, job placement, transportation, supplies, and specialized tools and uniforms that are required for students to fully participate in career and technical education programs.

TCPCTIP grantees also provide professional development opportunities to its instructors, administrators, and TCPCTIP staff to support preparation for high-skill, high-wage, or in-demand occupations in established or emerging professions. Students are provided career and technical education opportunities to attain one year and two-year certificates, as well as two-year associate degrees.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://cte.ed.gov/grants/tribally-controlled-postsecondary-career-and-technical-institutions-program>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education-Tribally Controlled Postsecondary Career and Technical Institutions](#)

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Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program, Title IV, Part A

Department: Department of Education

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Education

Program Overview: To improve student's academic achievement by increasing the capacity of States, local educational agencies, schools and local communities to: (1) provide all students with access to a well-rounded education; (2) improve school conditions for student learning; and (3) improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy for all students.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-formula-grants/safe-supportive-schools/student-support-and-academic-enrichment-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Education - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program, Title IV, Part A](#)





Capital Fund Program

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: To improve student's academic achievement by increasing the capacity of States, local educational agencies, schools and local communities to: (1) provide all students with access to a well-rounded education; (2) improve school conditions for student learning; and (3) improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy for all students.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: PIHOCI@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/capfund

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Capital Fund Program](#)





Choice Neighborhoods

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Office of Public Housing Investments (OPHI)

Program Overview: Choice Neighborhoods leverages significant public and private resources, enabling communities to transform disinvested neighborhoods that include distressed public housing and/or HUD-assisted housing. Local leaders, residents, and stakeholders – such as public housing authorities, cities, schools, police, business owners, nonprofits, and private developers – come together to create and implement a holistic plan that revitalizes distressed HUD housing and addresses the challenges in the surrounding neighborhood. Moving beyond bricks and mortar, these partners also create a roadmap to strengthen families' income, employment, health, and education. Through these grants, communities are replacing obsolete, distressed housing with vibrant mixed income neighborhoods, catalyzing critical investments in neighborhood assets, and creating opportunities for families.

Choice Neighborhoods offers Planning Grants and Implementation Grants:

- Planning Grants assist communities in developing a successful neighborhood transformation plan and building support necessary for that plan to be successfully implemented.
- Implementation Grants support those communities that have undergone a comprehensive local planning process and are ready to implement their "Transformation Plan" to redevelop the neighborhood.

As part of this neighborhood revitalization, Choice Neighborhoods strongly encourages grantees to increase broadband connectivity. Grantees are required to build the infrastructure to support broadband internet in all new units. Grantees can also use their funds to install broadband in these units and establish neighborhood broadband programs.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: choiceneighborhoods@hud.gov

Program Website: <https://www.hud.gov/cn>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Choice Neighborhoods](#)





Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD) Office

Program Overview: The CDBG Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to states and local governments, to be used for economic and community development, principally for low and moderate-income persons.

Important Dates (if applicable): Program year cycles vary by grantee.

Contact Information: Contact your local HUD Field Office: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/staff#fieldoffices

Program Website: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Community Development Block Grant \(CDBG\)](#)





HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD) Office

Program Overview: HOME provides formula grants to state and local governments to create affordable housing for low-income households. HOME funds are awarded annually as formula grants.

Important Dates (if applicable): Program year cycles vary by grantee.

Contact Information: Henrietta Owusu, henrietta.owusu@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/home

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - HOME Investment Partnerships Program \(HOME\)](#)



Housing Trust Fund

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD) Office

Program Overview: HTF funds are made available by the GSEs and distributed by formula to states and local governments to increase and preserve the supply of rental housing and homeownership opportunities for extremely low-income and very low-income families, including homeless families.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Henrietta Owusu, henrietta.owusu@hud.gov

Program Website: http://www.htf.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/home

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Housing Trust Fund](#)

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Indian Community Development Block Grant Program – American Recovery Plan (ICDBG-ARP)

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: The ICDBG Program provides eligible grantees with direct grants for use in developing viable Indian and Alaska Native Communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, primarily for low and moderate income persons. Projects funding by the ICDBG program must principally benefit low-and moderate-income persons (24 CFR 1003.208). The program regulations provide for two categories of grants, Single Purpose and Imminent Threat: Housing rehabilitation, land acquisition to support new housing construction, and under limited circumstances, new housing construction. Community Facilities Infrastructure construction, e.g., roads, water and sewer facilities; and, single or multipurpose community buildings. Economic Development Wide variety of commercial, industrial, agricultural projects which may be recipient owned and operated or which may be owned and/or operated by a third party.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application deadlines will be published on www.grants.gov with the official NOFA publication.

Contact Information: Internal Federal: Hilary Atkin, Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Native American Programs, (202) 402-3427 or by email at hilary.c.atkin@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/icdbg

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Indian Community Development Block Grant Program – American Recovery Plan \(ICDBG-ARP\)](#)



Indian Community Development Block Grant Program

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: The ICDBG Program provides eligible grantees with direct grants for use in developing viable Indian and Alaska Native Communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, primarily for low and moderate income persons. Projects funding by the ICDBG program must principally benefit low-and moderate-income persons (24 CFR 1003.208). The program regulations provide for two categories of grants, Single Purpose and Imminent Threat: Housing Housing rehabilitation, land acquisition to support new housing construction, and under limited circumstances, new housing construction. Community Facilities Infrastructure construction, e.g., roads, water and sewer facilities; and, single or multipurpose community buildings. Economic Development Wide variety of commercial, industrial, agricultural projects which may be recipient owned and operated or which may be owned and/or operated by a third party.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application deadlines will be published on www.grants.gov with the official NOFA publication.

Contact Information: Internal Federal: Hilary Atkin, Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Native American Programs, (202) 402-3427 or by email at hilary.c.atkin@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/icdbg

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Indian Community Development Block Grant Program](#)

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Indian Housing Block Grant – American Rescue Plan – Formula (IHBG-ARP)

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Public Law 117-2) appropriates \$450 million for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program and grants the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) authority to waive or establish alternative requirements for any provision of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) or regulation applicable to expedite or facilitate the use of funds (other than requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment). This program also includes waivers and alternative requirements applicable to the ARP funds. All activities funded under this program must address one of the three priorities: preventing, preparing for or responding to COVID-19.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Internal Federal: Hilary Atkin, Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Native American Programs, (202) 402-3427 or by email at hilary.c.atkin@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/ONAP-ARP_Act_2021

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Indian Housing Block Grant](#)



Indian Housing Block Grant - Competitive

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: The Indian Housing Block Grant Program (IHBG) is a formula grant that provides a range of affordable housing activities on Indian reservations and Indian areas. The block grant approach to housing for Native Americans was enabled by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA). Eligible activities include housing development, assistance to housing developed under the Indian Housing Program, housing services to eligible families and individuals, crime prevention and safety, and model activities that provide creative approaches to solving affordable housing problems. Subsequently, Congress has created a separate funding stream to provide additional resources to tribes through competitive means.

Important Dates (if applicable): Application deadlines will be published on www.grants.gov with the official NOFA publication.

Contact Information: Internal Federal: Hilary Atkin, Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Native American Programs, (202) 402-3427 or by email at hilary.c.atkin@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/ihbg_cgp

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Indian Housing Block Grant - Competitive](#)

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Indian Housing Block Grant

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: The Indian Housing Block Grant Program (IHBG) is a formula grant that provides a range of affordable housing activities on Indian reservations and Indian areas. The block grant approach to housing for Native Americans was enabled by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA). Eligible activities include housing development, assistance to housing developed under the Indian Housing Program, housing services to eligible families and individuals, crime prevention and safety, and model activities that provide creative approaches to solving affordable housing problems.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Internal Federal: Hilary Atkin, Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Native American Programs, (202) 402-3427 or by email at hilary.c.atkin@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/ihbg

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Indian Housing Block Grant](#)

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Neighborhood Networks (Multifamily Housing)

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Office of Multifamily Housing Programs

Program Overview: Neighborhood Networks establishes multi-service community technology centers that bring digital opportunity and lifelong learning to low- and moderate-income residents living in HUD housing.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www.hud.gov/states/shared/working/r7/mfnbornetworksfaq>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Neighborhood Networks \(Multifamily Housing\)](#)



Public Housing Operating Fund

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing

Program Overview: The Operating Fund can be used by Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) to support Internet service in units and common spaces, such as Neighborhood Networks centers. It can include staff salary for training programs as well as ongoing costs related to maintenance of the Internet infrastructure. See program guidance at: <https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/PublicHousingFundingSupportInternetConnectivityResidents.pdf>

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/am

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Public Housing Operating Fund](#)

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CDBG | Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD) Office

Program Overview: HUD's Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program (Section 108) can be used for communities to upgrade their broadband infrastructure to create more 'connected' communities. Section 108's unique flexibility and range of applications make it one of the most potent and long-standing public investment tools that HUD offers to state and local governments. Section 108 can finance transformational projects in communities, addressing the needs of Low- and Moderate-Income populations. The program's flexible repayment terms also make it ideal for layering with other sources of community development financing. Section 108 has a non-competitive and rolling application process coupled with availability for one-on-one technical assistance from program staff. Communities can use Section 108 guaranteed loans to either finance specific projects or to launch loan funds to finance multiple projects over several years.

Important Dates (if applicable): Non-competitive, open year round

Contact Information: Section108@hud.gov or contact your local HUD Field Office: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/staff#fieldoffices

Program Website: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/section-108/>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development-CDBG | Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program](#)



Title VI Loan Guarantee

Department: Department of Housing and Urban Development

Federal Agency/Bureau: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program Overview: The Title VI Housing Activities Loan Guarantee Program (Title VI) is an effective public investment tool that HUD offers to federally recognized tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs). It provides an additional source of financing for affordable tribal housing activities. Eligible activities include the following: Create new housing; Rehabilitate housing; Build infrastructure; Construct community facilities; Acquire land to be used for housing; Prepare architectural & engineering plans; Fund financing costs. The Title VI Loan Guarantee Program is authorized by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996, as amended (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.), (NAHASDA), in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR Part 1000. NAHASDA and the regulations also authorize the Indian Housing Block Grant Program (IHBG). The requirements of NAHASDA and the regulations apply to all projects using Title VI financing.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Internal Federal: Jeffery Glass, Deputy Director, Office of Loan Guarantee, Office of Native American Programs, (202) 402- 2355 or by email at jeffery.b.glass@hud.gov

Program Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/homeownership/titlevi

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Housing and Urban Development - Title VI Loan Guarantee](#)

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Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT)/SkillsCommons Access to Telecommunications Curricula

Department: Department of Labor

Federal Agency/Bureau: Employment and Training Administration

Program Overview: The U.S. Department of Labor's Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) grant program represented a major governmental investment to increase the ability of community colleges to address the challenges of today's workforce. Grants were designed to help workers eligible for training under the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Workers program, as well as a broad range of other adults. Every state received funding for each of four years through 256 grants totaling \$1.9 billion.

TAACCCT grants, which continued through September 2018, impacted 60% of the nation's publicly-funded community colleges and building industry-aligned programs in manufacturing, health care, information technology, energy, transportation, and other industries. Through TAACCCT, community colleges developed or redesigned nearly 2,600 programs of study to help adults learn skills that lead to family-sustaining jobs. Each college or consortium of colleges developed programs of study aligned with local and regional business needs, which were identified through partnerships formed or strengthened with grant funds. To help adult students obtain industry-recognized credentials more quickly, colleges used TAACCCT funding to innovate with strategies such as career pathways, credit for prior learning, competency-based models, online training, and strong student support systems.

While the Employment and Training Administration no longer supports the repository website, the California State University Long Beach Foundation continues to manage the curricula and other learning materials TAACCCT grantees are being made widely available to all types of training providers on SkillsCommons.org, as described a Training and Employment Notice. Curricula searches can be conducted using terms such as "information technology," "STEM" and "broadband."

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Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT)/SkillsCommons Access to Telecommunications Curricula

Important Dates (if applicable): No additional grant awards will be made under this program during FY 2021.

Contact Information: support@skillscommon.org

Program Website: www.skillscommon.org

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Labor - Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training \(TAACCCT\)](#)



Workforce Development in Telecommunication Sector: Apprenticeship Investments in Support of Broadband and 5G

Department: Department of Labor

Federal Agency/Bureau: Employment and Training Administration

Program Overview: The Telecommunications Industry Registered Apprenticeship Program (“TIRAP”) is a joint venture of telecommunications companies, industry associations and the U.S. Department of Labor that develops credentialed apprenticeship programs available to qualified employers for career development of the telecommunications workforce. The TIRAP’s mission is to partner with stakeholders to promote safety, enhance quality, and enable education and advancement opportunities in the telecommunications workforce that will meet network infrastructure build out needs.

In February 2020, the Wireless Infrastructure Association (WIA), the National Sponsor of TIRAP, was awarded a \$5,997,096 grant under the Department of Labor’s “Apprenticeship: Closing the Skills Gap” program. In partnership with the Power & Communication Contractors Association (PCCA), the grant will be used to train a 5G workforce. Five institutions of higher education have already committed as technical partner schools.

The nearly \$6 million grant is supplemented by over \$9 million in matching support from industry, including cash and in-kind contributions from WIA, PCCA, Ditch Witch, FS3, and participating employers, for a total commitment to apprenticeship of \$15 million in a public-private partnership. The grant will provide the necessary funding to design curricula and deliver training to develop qualified applicants for placement in middle- to high-skilled jobs nationwide that will accelerate 5G deployment for America’s 5G Apprenticeship Initiative. America’s 5G Apprenticeship Initiative will engage a consortium of public and private partners with 33 small and mid-sized employers committing to create over 5,500 new apprenticeships and preapprenticeships in this rapidly evolving sector. These industry-driven, competency-based apprenticeships will target veterans; transitioning service members; military spouses; women; people of color; unemployed, underemployed, and incumbent workers; and other underrepresented populations.

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Workforce Development in Telecommunication Sector: Apprenticeship Investments in Support of Broadband and 5G

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: <https://www.tirap.org/about-tirap/contact-us/>

Program Website: <https://www.tirap.org> <https://wia.org>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Labor - Workforce Development in Telecommunication Sector: Apprenticeship Investments in Support of Broadband and 5G](#)

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Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Department: Department of Labor

Federal Agency/Bureau: Employment and Training Administration

Program Overview: Each year, Congress appropriates dollars under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) for adult, dislocated worker, youth, and basic labor exchange programs. The nation's business-led Workforce Development Boards help set the strategic direction for the programs and services in their respective labor markets. There are approximately 2,400 American Job Centers (One-Stop Centers) that provide a full range of assistance to job seekers. The centers offer training referrals, career counseling, job listings, and similar employment-related services. Patrons can take advantage of the Center's "resource rooms" which provide computers, printers, and Internet connectivity to obtain a perspective on availability of jobs and the availability of training opportunities in various sectors of the economy.

The current approved WIOA State Strategic Plan for 2020-2023 can be found at www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/wioa. The user can search for various terms and phrases (e.g., rural, broadband, digital literacy, etc.) to identify the States that have included the topic in the narrative.

The WIOA statute describes allowable activities for programs under its various titles (including those for adult education and vocational rehabilitation). "Digital literacy" is among the list of programs, activities, or services that comprise workforce preparation. The legislation, in turn, references the Museum and Library Services Act of 2010, which defines digital literacy as "the skills associated with using technology to enable users to find, evaluate, organize, create, and communicate information. Many Centers offer courses that are designed to support digital literacy. Out-of-school youth, in particular, can benefit from these training offerings.

WorkforceGPS (www.workforcegps.org) is the online technical assistance created to help build the capacity of America's public workforce investment system. Sponsored by the Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor, WorkforceGPS was developed specifically for workforce professionals, educators, and business leaders. The site contains curated communities of interest, useful webinars and other training resources, promising workforce development practices, and relevant evidence-based research – tools needed to help you create innovative approaches to improve the employment prospects of job seekers.

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Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

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Program Website: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/wioa>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Labor - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act \(WIOA\)](#)

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Capital Projects Fund

Department: Department of the Treasury

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of the Treasury

Program Overview: The Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund (Capital Projects Fund) will address many challenges laid bare by the pandemic, especially in rural America, Tribal communities, and low- and moderate-income communities, helping to ensure that all communities have access to the high-quality modern infrastructure, including broadband, needed to access critical services. The American Rescue Plan provides \$10 billion for payments to eligible governments to carry out critical capital projects that directly enable work, education, and health monitoring, including remote options, in response to the public health emergency. The COVID-19 public health emergency revealed and continues to reinforce our understanding that communities without access to high-quality modern infrastructure, including broadband, face impediments to fully participating in aspects of daily life, such as remote work, telehealth, and distance learning. Treasury is launching the Capital Projects Fund to allow recipients to invest in capital assets that meet communities' critical needs in the short- and long-term, with a key emphasis on making funding available for broadband infrastructure. The Capital Projects Fund aims to: Directly support recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency by strengthening and improving the infrastructure necessary for participation in work, education, and health monitoring that will last beyond the pandemic. Enable investments in capital assets designed to address inequities in access to critical services. Contribute to the Administration's goal of providing every American with the modern infrastructure necessary to access critical services, including a high-quality and affordable broadband internet connection. A key priority of this program is to make funding available for reliable, affordable broadband infrastructure and other digital connectivity technology projects. Recipients may also use funds for certain other capital projects, such as multi-purpose community facilities, that enable work, education, and healthcare monitoring, including remote options. The program encourages recipients to focus on economically distressed areas, support community empowerment, and adopt strong labor practices.

Important Dates (if applicable): For states, territories & freely associated states the application portal will launch on September 24, 2021 and the deadline to request funding is December 27, 2021. The deadline to submit a grant plan is September 24, 2022. For Tribal governments the application portal will open on October 1, 2021 and the deadline to request funding is June 1, 2022.

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Capital Projects Fund

Contact Information: For general questions about the Capital Projects Fund, please email CapitalProjectsFund@treasury.gov; for questions related to Tribal Governments please email Treasury Tribal Affairs at Tribal.Consult@treasury.gov

Program Website: www.treasury.gov/CPF

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Treasury-Capital Projects Fund](#)



Community Reinvestment Act (CRA)

Department: Department of the Treasury

Federal Agency/Bureau: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)

Program Overview: CRA requires federal banking regulators to encourage financial institutions to help meet the credit needs of the communities in which they do business, including low- and moderate-income (LMI) neighborhoods. Three federal banking agencies, or regulators, are responsible for the CRA. Banks that have CRA obligations are supervised by one of these three regulators. Each regulator has a dedicated CRA site that provides information about the banks they oversee and those banks' CRA ratings and Performance Evaluations: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), Federal Reserve Board (FRB), Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: OCC Community Affairs (202) 649-6240

Program Website: <https://www.occ.treas.gov/topics/consumers-and-communities/cra/index-cra.html>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Treasury - Community Reinvestment Act \(CRA\)](#)

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New Markets Tax Credit Program

Department: Department of the Treasury

Federal Agency/Bureau: Community Development Financial Institutions Fund

Program Overview: Historically, low-income communities experience a lack of investment, as evidenced by vacant commercial properties, outdated manufacturing facilities, and inadequate access to education and healthcare service providers. The New Market Tax Credit Program (NMTC Program) aims to break this cycle of disinvestment by attracting the private investment necessary to reinvigorate struggling local economies. The NMTC Program attracts private capital into low income communities by permitting individual and corporate investors to receive a tax credit against their federal income tax in exchange for making equity investments in specialized financial intermediaries called Community Development Entities (CDEs). The credit totals 39 percent of the original investment amount and is claimed over a period of seven years.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: NMTC Help Desk (202) 653-0421, cdfihelp@cdfi.treas.gov

Program Website: <https://www.cdfifund.gov/programs-training/programs/new-markets-tax-credit>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Treasury - New Markets Tax Credit Program](#)

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American Rescue Plan Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Department: Department of the Treasury

Federal Agency/Bureau: Department of the Treasury

Program Overview: The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery. Treasury is launching this much needed relief to: *Support urgent COVID-19 response efforts to continue to decrease spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control. *Replace lost revenue for eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs. *Support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses. *Address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic. The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide substantial flexibility for each government to meet local needs— including support for households, small businesses, impacted industries, essential workers, and the communities hardest hit by the crisis. These funds can also be used to make necessary investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Not Applicable

Program Website: <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds>

Federal Funding Site: [Department of Treasury - American Rescue Plan Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds](#)

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Connected Care Pilot Program

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: On April 2, 2020, the FCC established a new three-year Connected Care Pilot Program, which will provide up to \$100 million of support from the Universal Service Fund (USF) to help defray eligible health care providers' costs of providing connected care services and help assess how USF funds might be used to support connected care services. The FCC is in the process of implementing the Connected Care Pilot Program. The Connected Care Pilot will provide funding for selected pilot projects to cover 85% of the eligible costs of broadband connectivity, certain network equipment (e.g., network equipment needed to make a support broadband service functional, such as a router), and information services necessary to provide connected care services to the intended patient population. In selecting pilot projects from eligible health care providers (HCPs), the FCC has a strong preference for pilot projects that will primarily benefit low-income Americans or veterans.

Important Dates (if applicable): The Connected Care Pilot Program application window closed on December 7, 2020. On January 15, 2020, the Commission announced an initial set of 14 pilot projects with over 150 treatment sites in 11 states that were selected for the Connected Care Pilot Program. The selected projects requested a total of \$26.6 million for proposed projects to treat nearly half a million patients in both urban and rural parts of the country.

Contact Information: FCC Wireline Competition Bureau, Telecommunications Access Policy Division: (202) 418-7400; RHC-Assist@usac.org

Program Website: <https://www.usac.org/rural-health-care/connected-care-pilot-program/>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - Connected Care Pilot Program](#)





COVID-19 Telehealth Round 2

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: Round 2 of the COVID-19 Telehealth Program will administer \$249.95 million in additional funding appropriated in the CARES Act for the COVID-19 Telehealth Program to support “efforts of health care providers to address coronavirus by providing telecommunications services, information services, and devices necessary to enable the provision of telehealth services” during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Important Dates (if applicable): The Round 2 Application Filing Window was open April 29, 2021 to May 6, 2021.

Contact Information: Round2TelehealthApplicationSupport@usac.org

Program Website: <https://www.fcc.gov/covid-19-telehealth-program-invoices-reimbursements>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - COVID-19 Telehealth Round 2](#)



E-rate Program

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: The schools and libraries universal service support program, commonly known as the E-rate program, helps schools and libraries to obtain affordable broadband. Eligible schools, school districts and libraries may apply individually or as part of a consortium. Funding may be requested under two categories of service: category one services to a school or library (telecommunications, telecommunications services and Internet access), and category two services that deliver Internet access within schools and libraries (internal connections, basic maintenance of internal connections, and managed internal broadband services). Discounts for support depend on the level of poverty and whether the school or library is located in an urban or rural area. The discounts range from 20 percent to 90 percent of the costs of eligible services. E-rate program funding is based on demand up to an annual Commission-established cap.

Important Dates (if applicable): Funding Year application filing window: January 15 – March 25

Contact Information: FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division: (202) 418-7400; USAC E-rate Customer Support: (888) 203-8100

Program Website: <https://www.usac.org/e-rate/>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - E-rate Program](#)

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Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program provides support for broadband services and certain devices to help low-income households stay connected during the COVID-19 pandemic. On December 27, 2020, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 became law and established an Emergency Broadband Connectivity Fund of \$3.2 billion in the United States Treasury to help Americans afford internet service during the pandemic. The Act directed the Federal Communications Commission to use the fund to establish an Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBB Program), under which eligible low-income households may receive a discount off the cost of broadband service and certain connected devices, and participating providers can receive a reimbursement for such discounts. The EBB Program will conclude when the fund is expended or six months after the end of the public health emergency.

Important Dates (if applicable): FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division: (202) 418-7400; LifelineProgram@usac.org

Contact Information: As of May 12, 2021, eligible households will be able to enroll in the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program to receive a monthly discount off the cost of broadband service from an approved provider.

Program Website: <https://www.fcc.gov/emergency-broadband-benefit-program>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - Emergency Broadband Benefit Program](#)





Emergency Connectivity Fund

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: The FCC's Emergency Connectivity Fund Program (Program) provides funding for schools and libraries for the purchase, during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, of connected devices and broadband connections for use by students, school staff, and library patrons for primarily educational purposes while they are at locations other than schools and libraries. Support provided through the Program will first allow eligible schools and libraries to seek funding for upcoming purchases (purchases made from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022) of eligible equipment, including Wi-Fi hotspots, modems, routers, and connected devices, as well as advanced telecommunications and information services, to meet the remote learning needs of students, school staff, and library patrons who would otherwise lack access to connected devices and broadband connections sufficient to engage in remote learning during the upcoming school year. After the first window, the FCC may open a second window that will either fund additional prospective purchases of eligible equipment and services, or provide schools and libraries an opportunity to apply for reimbursement of the reasonable costs they have already incurred in purchasing eligible equipment and services to meet the unmet needs of their students, school staff, and library patrons who otherwise lacked access to equipment or Internet access services sufficient to engage in remote learning during the COVID-19 pandemic (purchases made from March 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021). The FCC has designated the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) as the Administrator of the Program.

Important Dates (if applicable): Dates will be available at: <https://www.usac.org/e-rate/>

Contact Information: FCC Wireline Competition Bureau Telecommunications Access Policy Division: (202) 418-7400; [USAC.org/e-rate/](https://www.usac.org/e-rate/).

Program Website: <https://www.usac.org/e-rate/>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communication Commission-Emergency Connectivity Fund](#)



High Cost Program (including Connect America Fund, Rural Digital Opportunity Fund and 5G Fund)

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: The federal universal service high-cost program (also known as the Connect America Fund) is designed to ensure that consumers in rural, insular, and high-cost areas have access to modern communications networks capable of providing voice and broadband service, both fixed and mobile, at rates that are reasonably comparable to those in urban areas. The program fulfills this universal service goal by allowing eligible carriers who serve these areas to recover some of their costs from the federal Universal Service Fund.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division: (202) 418-7400; <https://www.usac.org/high-cost/contact-us/>;
Ruralbroadbandauctions@fcc.gov

Program Website: <https://www.usac.org/high-cost/>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - High Cost Program](#)

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Lifeline

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: The Lifeline program provides a discount on phone and broadband service for qualifying low-income households to ensure that all Americans have the opportunities and security that those services bring, including being able to connect to jobs, family, and emergency services.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division: (202) 418-7400; LifelineProgram@usac.org

Program Website: <https://www.usac.org/lifeline/>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - Lifeline](#)



Rural Health Care Program

Department: Federal Communications Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Federal Communications Commission

Program Overview: The Rural Health Care (RHC) Program provides funding to eligible public or non-profit health care providers for broadband and telecommunications services necessary for the provision of health care. RHC Program support is provided on a funding year basis. Funding years run from July 1 through June 30 of the subsequent year. The RHC Program has an annual funding cap, which is adjusted for inflation each year. For FY2020, the funding cap was \$604,759,306. The RHC Program provides funding through two programs: the Telecommunications (Telecom) Program and the Healthcare Connect Fund Program. The Telecom Program, established in 1997, ensures that rural health care providers pay no more than their urban counterparts for eligible telecommunications services. Specifically, an applicant's program support is based on the difference between rural rates charged for telecommunications services in the rural area where the health care provider is located, and the urban rates charged for similar telecommunications services in the State. The rural health care provider pays only the urban rate for the telecommunications service, and the USF pays the difference between the urban rate and rural rate for the service to the service provider. The Healthcare Connect Fund Program, established in 2012, provides a flat 65% discount on an array of communications services to both individual rural health care providers and consortia, which can include non-rural health care providers (if the consortium has a majority of rural sites). These services include Internet access, dark fiber leases, business data, traditional DSL, and private carriage services, among others, along with funding for construction of health care provider-owned communications facilities. With the Healthcare Connect Fund Program, the Commission intended to promote the use of broadband services, recognizing the increasing need for rural health care providers to have access to specialists who are often located in urban areas, as well as the advent of certain communications-based trends in healthcare delivery, such as the move towards electronic health records.

Important Dates (if applicable): Funding Year 2021: July 1, 2021 – June 2022

Contact Information: RHC-Assist@usac.org

Program Website: <https://www.usac.org/rural-health-care/>

Federal Funding Site: [Federal Communications Commission - Rural Health Care Program](#)

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Grants to States Program

Department: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Federal Agency/Bureau: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program Overview: Using a population based formula, more than \$160 million is distributed among the State Library Administrative Agencies (SLAAs) every year. SLAAs are official agencies charged by law with the extension and development of library services, and they are located in:•Each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.• The Territories (Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands).•The Freely Associated States (Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Palau, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands).

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Call us at: (202) 653-IMLS (4657)

Program Website: <https://www.ims.gov/grants/grant-programs/grants-states>

Federal Funding Site: [Institute of Museum and Library Services - Grants to States Program](#)

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National Leadership Grants for Libraries

Department: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Federal Agency/Bureau: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program Overview: National Leadership Grants for Libraries Program (NLG-L) support projects that enhance the quality of library and archive services nationwide by advancing theory and practice. Successful proposals will generate results such as new tools, research findings, models, services, practices, or collaborative approaches that will be widely used, adapted, scaled, or replicated to extend the benefits of federal investment.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: If you're looking for a specific employee, please check the Leadership and Staff Directory or call us at: (202) 653-IMLS (4657).

Program Website: <https://www.ims.gov/grants/available/national-leadership-grants-libraries>

Federal Funding Site: [Institute of Museum and Library Services - National Leadership Grants for Libraries](#)



Native American Library Services Basic Grants

Department: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Federal Agency/Bureau: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program Overview: Native American Library Services Basic Grants support existing library operations and maintain core library services.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: For questions about eligibility, your Library Services Plan and project activities, the Digital Product Form, your Budget, including allowability of costs: Anthony D. Smith, Associate Deputy Director, asmith@imls.gov, (202) 653- 4716; For questions about application requirements and deadlines: Maeve Coudrelle, Program Specialist, 202-653- 4725, mcoudrelle@imls.gov

Program Website: <https://www.imls.gov/grants/available/native-american-library-services-basic-grants>

Federal Funding Site: [Institute of Museum and Library Services -](#)





Native American Library Services Enhancement Grants

Department: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Federal Agency/Bureau: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program Overview: This program is designed to assist Native American tribes in improving core library services for their communities.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: For questions about eligibility, your Library Services Plan and project activities, the Digital Product Form, your Budget, including allowability of costs: Anthony D. Smith, Associate Deputy Director, asmith@imls.gov This program is designed to assist Native American tribes in improving core library services for their communities., (202) 653- 4716 For questions about application requirements and deadlines: Maeve Coudrelle, Program Specialist, 202-653- 4725, mcoudrelle@imls.gov

Program Website: <https://www.imls.gov/grants/available/native-american-library-services-enhancement-grants>

Federal Funding Site: [Institute of Museum and Library Services - Native American Library Services Enhancement Grants](#)



Native Hawaiian Library Services

Department: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Federal Agency/Bureau: Institute of Museum and Library Services

Program Overview: This program is designed to assist Native Hawaiian libraries in improving core library services for their communities. Information needs and approaches to meeting them are evolving at an unprecedented pace in all communities, and to operate within this environment effectively for the benefit of their users, libraries must be able to both strengthen existing services and move quickly to adopt new and emerging technologies. Reflecting IMLS's agency-level goals of championing lifelong learning, strengthening community engagement, and advancing collections stewardship and access, the goals and objectives for this program are: 1. Improve digital services to support needs for education, workforce development, economic and business development, health information, critical thinking skills, and digital literacy skills. 2. Improve educational programs related to specific topics and content areas of interest to library patrons and community-based users. 3. Enhance the preservation and revitalization of Native American cultures and languages. Eligibility: Native Hawaiian Library Services Grants are available to nonprofit organizations that primarily serve and represent Native Hawaiians (as the term is defined in 20 U.S.C. § 7517). The term "Native Hawaiian" refers to an individual who is a citizen of the United States and a descendant of the aboriginal people who, prior to 1778, occupied and exercised sovereignty in the area that now comprises the State of Hawaii.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: For questions about eligibility, your Library Services Plan and project activities, the Digital Product Form, your Budget, including allowability of costs: Anthony D. Smith, Associate Deputy Director, asmith@imls.gov This program is designed to assist Native American tribes in improving core library services for their communities., (202) 653- 4716 For questions about application requirements and deadlines: Maeve Coudrelle, Program Specialist, 202-653- 4725, mcoudrelle@imls.gov

Program Website: <https://www.imls.gov/grants/available/native-hawaiian-library-services>

Federal Funding Site: [Institute of Museum and Library Services - Native Hawaiian Library Services](#)

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Campus Cyberinfrastructure (CC*)

Department: National Science Foundation

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Science Foundation

Program Overview: Campuses today face challenges across multiple levels of cyberinfrastructure, where meeting the needs of scientific research and education goes far beyond the networking layer in capacity and services, and extends to computing, data services, secure and trustworthy systems, and especially human expertise, collaboration, and knowledge sharing. Recognition of the "data-driven" nature of scientific advancement and discovery has led to an increased focus in addressing the data challenges posed by the NSF research and education community. The CC* program invests in coordinated campus level networking and cyberinfrastructure improvements, innovation, and engineering for science applications and distributed research projects.

Important Dates (if applicable): Proposals due March 1, 2021

Contact Information: Kevin Thompson, kthompson@nsf.gov

Program Website: https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?WT.z_pims_id=504748&ods_key=nsf2

Federal Funding Site: [National Science Foundation - Campus Cyberinfrastructure \(CC*\)](#)

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Civic Innovation Challenge (CIVIC)

Department: National Science Foundation

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Science Foundation

Program Overview: The Civic Innovation Challenge (CIVIC) is a research and action competition in the Smart and Connected Communities (S&CC) domain designed to build a more cohesive research-to-innovation pipeline and foster a collaborative spirit. CIVIC aims to flip the community-university dynamic, asking communities to identify civic priorities ripe for innovation and to then partner with researchers to address those priorities. Together, academic and civic partners will leverage technical and social scientific discovery, along with community expertise, to make progress toward solving the spatial mismatch between housing affordability and jobs (Track A) and enhancing communities' preparedness and resilience to natural disasters (Track B). CIVIC aims to accelerate the real-world impact of S&CC research, and deepen cooperation and information sharing across sectors and regions. Whereas many community-university partnerships take years to provide tangible benefits to communities, CIVIC will fund projects that have the potential to produce significant community impact within 12 months, following a four-month planning phase (through Planning Grants), and lasting impact beyond the period of the CIVIC award.(through Research Grants).

Important Dates (if applicable): Solicitation was due February 24, 2021

Contact Information: dcorman@nsf.gov

Program Website: <https://www.nsf.gov/cise/scc/>

Federal Funding Site: [National Science Foundation - Civic Innovation Challenge](#)

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Platforms for Advanced Wireless Research (PAWR)

Department: National Science Foundation

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Science Foundation

Program Overview: The Platforms for Advanced Wireless Research program supports a group of advanced wireless platforms enabling experimental exploration of new wireless devices, communication techniques, networks, systems, and services at scale.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: <https://advancedwireless.org/>

Program Website: <https://advancedwireless.org/>

Federal Funding Site: [National Science Foundation - Platforms for Advanced Wireless Research](#)

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Project Overcome

Department: National Science Foundation

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Science Foundation

Program Overview: The goal of the OVERCOME project is to select, launch, and oversee five proof-of concept efforts to deploy novel broadband technology solutions to both rural and urban underserved communities.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: <https://www.us-ignite.org/program/overcome/>

Program Website: <https://www.us-ignite.org/program/overcome/>

Federal Funding Site: [National Science Foundation - Project Overcome](#)

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Smart and Connected Communities

Department: National Science Foundation

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Science Foundation

Program Overview: The goal of the NSF Smart and Connected Communities (S&CC) program is to accelerate the creation of the scientific and engineering foundations that will enable smart and connected communities to bring about new levels of economic opportunity and growth, safety and security, health and wellness, and overall quality of life. This goal will be achieved through integrative research projects that pair advances in technological and social dimensions with meaningful community engagement.

Important Dates (if applicable): Solicitation was due February 24, 2021

Contact Information: dcorman@nsf.gov

Program Website: <https://www.us-ignite.org/program/overcome/>

Federal Funding Site: [National Science Foundation - Smart and Connected Communities](#)

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Spectrum and Wireless Innovation enabled by Future Technologies (SWIFT)

Department: National Science Foundation

Federal Agency/Bureau: National Science Foundation

Program Overview: The goal of the NSF SWIFT program is to fund interdisciplinary team research on effective spectrum utilization and/or coexistence, which will require breakthrough wireless technology innovations. Future communication systems need to operate in more challenging scenarios with more stringent performance requirements. These may include for example, higher carrier frequencies, higher spectrum utilization efficiency, low and intermittent available power, coexistence with other active and passive radio systems, lower latencies, high user density, and fast changing environments. Novel architectures, system designs, and algorithms that can significantly improve suitably defined system performances and are customized for target applications are desirable. Innovations are sought on ways to improve the spectrum utilization efficiency for wireless communications and networking. Coexistence is when two or more applications use the same frequency band at the same time and at the same location, yet they do not adversely affect one another. The objective is to promote and foster cross-layer interdisciplinary research that exploits innovations in hardware, algorithms and protocols to create future wireless systems and networks that will satisfy the demands of commercial systems while preserving the integrity of passive uses, both of which provide immense technical and scientific benefits to society.

Important Dates (if applicable): Deadline – March 19, 2021

Contact Information: Mohammod Ali, telephone: (703) 292-4632, email: moali@nsf.gov Alexander Sprintson, telephone: (703) 292-8950, email: asprints@nsf.gov Zhengdao Wang, telephone: (703) 292-7823, email: zwang@nsf.gov Lawrence S. Goldberg, telephone: (703) 292-8339, email: lgoldberg@nsf.gov Albert Z. Wang, telephone: (703) 292-7230, email: awang@nsf.gov Jonathan V. Williams, telephone: (703) 292-2455, email: jonwilli@nsf.gov Murat Torlak, telephone: (703) 292-7748, email: mtorlak@nsf.gov Bevin A. Zauderer, telephone: (703) 292-2428, email: bezauder@nsf.gov Lisa M. Winter, telephone: (703) 292-8519, email: lwinter@nsf.gov

Program Website: <https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2021/nsf21539/nsf21539.htm>

Federal Funding Site: [National Science Foundation - Spectrum and Wireless Innovation enabled by Future Technologies](#)

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State Economic & Infrastructure Development (EID) Program

Department: Northern Border Regional Commission

Federal Agency/Bureau: Northern Border Regional Commission

Program Overview: The State and Economic & Infrastructure Development Program funds economic development and infrastructure projects throughout designated counties in the NBRC's four-state service area. The NBRC provides investments to job-creating projects that help reduce poverty, unemployment, and outmigration, within 7 statutorily defined funding areas.

SEID 2021: - Approximately \$4.6 MM for each State; - UP to \$1,000,000 maximum award to eligible infrastructure projects, up to a \$350,000 maximum award for all other types of eligible projects; - All funds are in the form of reimbursement for eligible expenses incurred after a Notice to Proceed has been fully executed; - 2021 Application materials will be available on NBRC's website in early March, with applications due in the Spring and funding decisions made in summer 2021.

Important Dates (if applicable): Not Applicable

Contact Information: Please contact NBRC's Executive Director Rich Grogan, rgrogan@nbrc.gov, for more information.

Program Website: <https://www.nbrc.gov/content/EID>

Federal Funding Site: [Northern Border Regional Commission - State Economic & Infrastructure Development Program](#)

