

FY22 BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Site Update

Department: Department of Agriculture

1	Federal Agency/Bureau	Rural Utilities Service
2	Program Name	Distance Learning and Telemedince (DLT) Grant Program
3	Authorizing Legislation	Food, Agriculture,Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. §§950aaa et seq.)
4	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.
5	CFDA	10.855
6	Program Website	https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants
7	Type of funding	 Discretionary Subsidy Formula Loan or loan guarantee Other (i.e. loan-grant combo; if there is a set-aside amount for certain recipients please indicate the amount):
8	Link to application site, NOFO, FOA, or Grants.gov (if different from program website above)	Not Applicable
9	Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) or Federal Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Type	 □ Initial □ Modification □ Reissue/Renewal ⊠ Other (i.e. one-time funding): Funding Opportunity Announcement on Grants.gov
10	Important Dates (if applicable)	60-day application window expected, start date: TBD
12	FY2022 Appropriations Amount	Total Amount: \$62,510,000 Amount Available Towards Broadband (if specified): Up to 20% of each grant can be used for broadband facilities, if those facilities will be owned by the applicant.
13	Matching Requirement	⊠ Yes



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		□ No	
		□ Other (i.e. if a match is beneficial to an application but not required):	
		If yes, what is the matching requirement: 15 percent	
14	Complementary Federal Funding Option	This program cannot be used as a match with other federal programs.	
15	Broadband-related Program Purpose/Eligible Expenditures (check all that apply)	 Planning (e.g., feasibility, data collection, mapping) Broadband Infrastructure Deployment (e.g., construction, equipment, materials) Digital Inclusion (e.g. Broadband Adoption, Devices, Public Access, Digital Skills Training, Tech Support) Other: (e.g. Research and/or Evaluation, Telehealth, etc): Distance Learning, Telehealth 	
16	Speed/Technical Requirement for Broadband Infrastructure	Not Applicable	
17	Eligible Recipients (check all that apply)	 Libraries K-12 Schools Higher Education Institutions State Government Local Government Territorial Governments Tribal/Native American Government, Alaska Native Controlled Organizations, and Native Hawaiian Organizations Libraries Healthcare Facilities For-Profit Organizations (including Internet Service Providers) Non-Profit Organizations Electric Utilities/Co-ops Financial Institutions Individuals/Households Other: Public Safety Entities 	
18	Criteria for Eligible Recipients	This program is intended to serve rural area and towns with a population of 20,000 or less.	
19	Grant Beneficiaries (if different from eligible recipients)	This program is specifically designed to assist rural communities in acquiring distance learning and telemedical technologies so that local teachers, and medical service providers who serve rural residents can link to other teachers, medical professionals, and other needed expertise located at distances too far to access otherwise.	
20	Publicly-available programmatic data	Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Receipients: https://ruraldevelopment.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=15a73830 555645ae93d2fa773ed8e971	





21	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
22	Additional Information	https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/fact-sheet/508_RD_FS_RUS_DLTGrant.pdf
23	Updated	June 2022

