FY23 BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Site Update

Department: Appalachian Regional Commission

1	**Federal Agency/Bureau**	Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
2	**Program Name**	Area Development
3	**Authorizing Legislation**	Appalachian Regional Development Act (ARDA)
4	**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.
5	**CFDA**	23.002
6	**Program Website**	https://www.arc.gov/
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):
10	**Important Dates (if applicable)**	Applications can be submitted throughout the year although states may have specific requirements.
12	**FY2023 Appropriations Amount**	Total Amount:$302 Million Amount Available Towards Broadband (if specified):

13	**Matching Requirement**	☒ Yes If yes, what is the matching requirement: Yes. 20% to 80%, determined by the economic status of project area: https://www.arc.gov/classifying-economic-distress-in-appalachian-counties/ ☐ No ☐ Other (i.e. if match is beneficial to an application but not required):
14	**Complementary Federal Funding Option**	ARC funding may be used in place of non-federal match for BEAD funding. ARPA funding may be used as match for ARC funding
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):
16	**Speed/Technical Requirement for Broadband Infrastructure**	Varies by State
17	**Eligible Recipients (check all that apply)**	☒ Libraries ☒ K-12 Schools ⊹ ☒ Healthcare Facilities ☒ Higher Education Institutions ⊹ ☐ For-Profit Organizations (including Internet Service Providers) ☒ State Government ☒ Local Government ⊹ ☒ Non-Profit Organizations ☒ Territorial Governments ⊹ ☒ Electric Utilities/Co-ops ☒ Tribal/Native American Government, ⊹ ☐ Financial Institutions Alaska Native Controlled Organizations, ⊹ ☐ Individuals/Households and Native Hawaiian Organizations ⊹ ☐ Other: ☒ Public Safety Entities
18	**Criteria for Eligible Recipients**	Eligible recipients must be publicly owned entities, non-profit entities, or a competitively-selected private partnership that includes publicly owned entities or non-profit entities.
19	**Grant Beneficiaries (if different from eligible recipients)**	Project must take place within the defined boundaries of the Appalachian Region: https://www.arc.gov/appalachian-counties-served-by-arc/
20	**Programmatic Resources**	Information available on website or by contacting state ARC program manager.

21	Reporting Requirements	Not Applicable
22	**Publicly-available programmatic data**	Information available on website or by contacting state ARC program manager
23	**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.
24	**Additional Information**	As per ARC's federal-state partnership model, funding via ARC's Area Development is first generated at the state level in each of the Region's 13 states. Potential applicants are encouraged to contact their ARC State Program Managers (contact info available at www.arc.gov). Note that the funding amount includes $23.3M that must be spent on broadband and the remainder of the funding will be used for a wide variety of projects.
25	**Updated**	March 2023