# **Digital Connectivity Technology Program**

#### A Capital Projects Fund Program

#### Overview

The U.S. Department of Treasury awarded \$279 million to Pennsylvania for critical capital projects. In June 2022, the Pennsylvania General Assembly appropriated this funding to the <u>Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority</u> (PBDA), which is using the funds to establish grant programs that identify eligible projects that meet program guidelines and federal requirements.

The <u>CPF-Digital Connectivity Technology</u> <u>Program (Technology)</u> is one of the three funding programs created by PBDA to help deploy these funds in communities across Pennsylvania.



#### Who Can Apply

- Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs)
- Municipalities and Local Government Institutions
- Non-profits

## **Eligible Projects**

Projects will include the acquisition of laptop devices that facilitate broadband internet access and promote digital literacy and skills training.

## Funding

Through the Capital Projects Fund \$20 million in federal funding will be used to procure laptops and distribute them to public facing institutions, such as those listed above. The Technology Program allows for eligible applicants to request a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 200 laptops. Grantees will not receive grant money directly. Awarded laptops will be delivered directly to the grantees.

#### Contact

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#### **How to Apply**

PBDA expects to open the program in late June or early July 2024, and will accept applications for 60 days. Submissions must be made through the Electronic Single Application (ESA). Program guidelines and additional details and FAQs are available on the <u>CPF-Digital Connectivity</u> <u>Technology Program (Technology)</u> page. PBDA will send an email notification once the program opens. To be added to the distribution list please email pabroadbandauthority@pa.gov.