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 Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority (PBDA), which is using the funds to establish grant programs that identify eligible projects that meet program guidelines and federal requirements.

The CPF-Digital Connectivity Technology Program (Technology) 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
- Previous applicants who were unsuccessful may apply
- Previous applicants who were successful and did not receive the maximum amount of laptops (200) may apply

Eligible Projects

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

Funding

In June 2024, the PBDA opened the $20 million competitive Technology grant program and accepted applications through August 2024. The program allowed for eligible applicants to request a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 200 laptops. Grantees will not receive grant money.

The PBDA will be reopening the Technology Program, for a second round of applications.

How to Apply

PBDA anticipates the program opening in early March/April 2025, 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 CPF-Digital Connectivity Technology Program (Technology) page. PBDA will send an email notification once the program opens. To be added to the distribution list please email pabroadbandauthority@pa.gov.

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