

**AGENDA**  
Eau Claire County  
Broadband Committee  
Thursday, October 21, 2021  
4:00 P.M.  
Remote Meeting via Webex Events

Those wishing to make public comments must submit their name and address no later than 30 minutes prior to the meeting to [rod.eslinger@co.eau-claire.wi.us](mailto:rod.eslinger@co.eau-claire.wi.us)

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1. Call to order and confirmation of meeting notice.
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment (limit to 3 minutes per person)
4. LTD Broadband Presentation - **Discussion**
5. SpaceX Starlink Pilot Project Update – **Discussion/Action**
6. PSC ARPA Grant Announcement – **Discussion**
7. County ARPA Fund Match Application – **Discussion/Action**
8. Town/County Intergovernmental Agreements for the use of County ARPA funds – **Discussion**
9. Drammen’s request for County ARPA fund match for its Broadband infrastructure project - **Discussion/Action**
10. Augusta, Fairchild, Bridge Creek, Clear Creek Broadband Expansion Committee - **Discussion**
11. UW-EC Digital Literacy Program/Application - **Discussion**
12. Digital Inclusion – **Discussion/Action**
13. Review/Approval of September 16, 2021, Committee Meeting Minutes – **Discussion/Action**
14. Next Steps and future meetings – **Discussion/Action**
  - a. Future Meeting: November 18, 2021.
15. Adjourn

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Members Present: Donald Mowry, Tom Lange, Joe Alf, Luke Hanson, Tim Laubach, Sarah Lipke, Collin Pomplun, Lynn Thompson, Ann Nielsen, and Mark Zuber.

Staff Present: Rodney J. Eslinger, Director of Planning and Development, Greg Dachel, Director of Information Systems

Others Present: Dave Hayden, Jim Kusilek of 24/7 Telecom Inc., Jaron McCallum, PSC State Broadband Director, Doug Carlson

1. Call to order and confirmation of meeting notice.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. and the meeting notice was confirmed.

2. Roll Call – Members present are noted above.
3. Public Comment (limit to 3 minutes per person) –

Doug Carlson, Town of Brunswick citizen, addressed the committee regarding the Starlink project (map), Town of Brunswick broadband project, and noted that the gold standard still is buried fiber to the premise.

4. Wisconsin Broadband Office Update – **Discussion**

Jaron McCallum, State Broadband Director with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, gave an update of the ARPA Grant Applications and indicated that the department is currently reviewing and rating the 242 grant applications. He indicated that grant announcements are expected to be in October. He also noted that the PSC grant cycle will begin in the fall/winter timeframe. There is \$129 million dollars available over the governor's biannual budget.

5. Possible Broadband expansion project in the Town of Union – **Discussion/Action**

24/7 is considering partnering with the Town of Union regarding a broadband project to cover pockets of areas that are unserved or underserved.

6. SpaceX Starlink Pilot Project Update – **Discussion/Action**

Greg Dachel gave the committee an update on the Starlink pilot project.

7. Update on the Town of Drammen’s request for County ARPA fund match for its Broadband infrastructure project – **Discussion/Action**

Mark Zuber updated the committee on the Town of Drammen’s broadband expansion project. He indicate that the main cable is installation is complete. They still need to port over the phone numbers from the previous carrier. The town will be making a request for County ARPA funds as soon as the application is complete.

8. Town/County Intergovernmental Agreements for the use of County ARPA funds – **Discussion**

Rod Eslinger indicated he is working with Corporation Counsel on a draft of the intergovernmental agreement. It’s anticipated that the draft will be available for the committee to review at its next meeting.

9. Committee Work Plan (Next Steps) – **Discussion/Action**

Don led the discussion on the committee’s work plan and the next steps.

10. Review/Approval of July 15 and July 30, 2021, Committee Meeting Minutes – **Discussion/Action**

The committee reviewed the meeting minutes of July 15, 2021 and July 30, 2021. Lynn Thompson motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Tom Lange seconded the motion; motion carried on a voice vote with all in favor of the motion.

11. Next Steps and future meetings – **Discussion/Action**

- a. Future Meeting: October 21, 2021.
  - i. LTD Broadband Presentation (RDOF)

12. Adjourn

Adjourn Action: Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 5:33 p.m.

Respectively submitted by,




Rodney J. Eslinger,  
Clerk for the Broadband Committee  
Director of Planning and Development

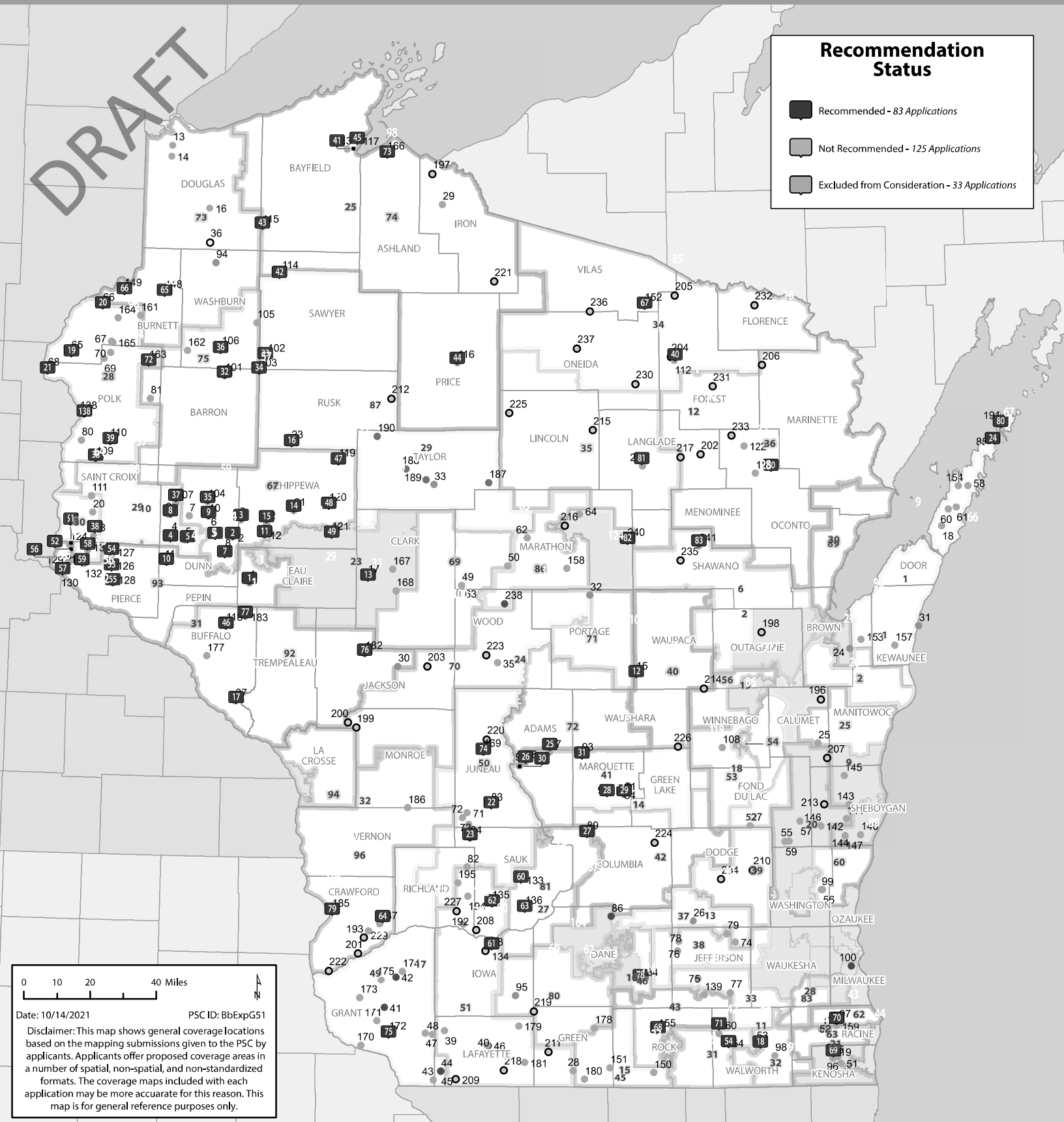
# ARPA BROADBAND GRANT AWARDEES, FISCAL YEAR 2022

Presented by the Wisconsin Broadband Office

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### Recommendation Status

-  Recommended - 83 Applications
-  Not Recommended - 125 Applications
-  Excluded from Consideration - 33 Applications



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Date: 10/14/2021 PSC ID: BbExpG51

Disclaimer: This map shows general coverage locations based on the mapping submissions given to the PSC by applicants. Applicants offer proposed coverage areas in a number of spatial, non-spatial, and non-standardized formats. The coverage maps included with each application may be more accurate for this reason. This map is for general reference purposes only.





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Map Label	Project	Request Total	Map Label	Project	Request Total
1	24-7 Telcom #1 (T. Brunswick)	\$869,545	43	Norvado #3 (Lower Eau Claire)	\$141,070
2	24-7 Telcom #2 (T. Elk Mound)	\$1,383,320	44	Norvado #4 / Price County Tel. Co. (Phillips - East, Musser Lake)	\$1,994,994
3	24-7 Telcom #3 (T. Howard)	\$529,635	45	Norvado #5 (Washburn - North)	\$483,365
4	24-7 Telcom #4 (T. Lucas)	\$857,915	46	NTEC (T. Mondovi)	\$1,585,200
5	24-7 Telcom #5 (T. Menomonie)	\$1,069,815	47	Ntera #1 (Arnold)	\$673,650
6	24-7 Telcom #6 (T. Red Cedar, Phase 3)	\$1,479,140	48	Ntera #2 (Colburn & Crescent)	\$436,403
7	24-7 Telcom #8 (T. Spring Brook)	\$794,835	49	Ntera #3 (Delmar & Edson)	\$1,065,000
8	24-7 Telcom #9 (T. Stanton)	\$1,506,790	50	Oconto County EDC #2 (Mountain & Riverview)	\$1,595,464
9	24-7 Telcom #10 (T. Tainter)	\$1,438,035	51	Pierce Pepin Coop. #1 (Clifton - North)	\$1,080,103
10	24-7 Telcom #11 (T. Weston, Phase 2)	\$616,285	52	Pierce Pepin Coop. #2 (Clifton - South)	\$537,725
11	24-7 Telcom #12 (T. Wheaton, Phase 2)	\$1,421,630	53	Pierce Pepin Coop. #3 (T. Ellsworth)	\$627,174
12	Amherst Tel. Co. (T. Dayton, Phase 2)	\$147,640	54	Pierce Pepin Coop. #4 (El Paso)	\$1,293,497
13	Astrea Connect #2 (T. Foster, Rock Dam Lake)	\$179,048	55	Pierce Pepin Coop. #5 (Esdaile - Northwest)	\$591,698
14	Bloomer Tel. Co. #1 (T. Eagle Point)	\$1,216,759	56	Pierce Pepin Coop. #6 (Oak Grove - North)	\$712,130
15	Bloomer Tel. Co. #2 (T. Tilden)	\$663,340	57	Pierce Pepin Coop. #7 (Oak Grove - South)	\$507,549
16	Bruce Tel. Co. (Fireside Lake)	\$66,225	58	Pierce Pepin Coop. #8 (T. River Falls - Northeast)	\$804,340
17	Cochrane Coop. (T. Cross)	\$2,100,000	59	Pierce Pepin Coop. #9 (Trimelle - West)	\$575,465
18	Edge Broadband #1 (T. Lafayette)	\$144,804	60	Reedsburg Utility Comm. #1 (Happy Hill)	\$2,362,500
19	Grantsburg Telcom #1 (Anderson)	\$223,530	61	Reedsburg Utility Comm. #2 (Co. Iowa)	\$2,025,000
20	Grantsburg Telcom #2 (Clam River, Phase 1)	\$251,545	62	Reedsburg Utility Comm. #3 (White Mound)	\$3,757,500
21	Grantsburg Telcom #4 (Sterling)	\$403,324	63	Reedsburg Utility Comm. #4 (Witwen)	\$3,600,000
22	LaValle Tel. Coop. #2 (STH 58, Phase 2 - Route to Mauston)	\$624,750	64	Richland-Grant Tel. Coop. (Co. Crawford)	\$2,364,000
23	LaValle Tel. Coop. #3 (T. Woodland)	\$949,500	65	Siren Tel. Co. #1 (T. Jackson, Voyager Village, Phase 2)	\$421,948
24	Liberty Grove, Town of (Northport FTTH Pilot)	\$318,500	66	Siren Tel. Co. #2 (T. Oakland, West Yellow River Rd)	\$252,264
25	Marquette-Adams #1 (T. Adams - East)	\$998,510	67	SonicNet (T. Washington, Bass Lake)	\$349,658
26	Marquette-Adams #2 (T. Adams - West)	\$538,645	68	Spectrum #3 (T. Janesville)	\$133,654
27	Marquette-Adams #3 (T. Fort Winnebago & Lewiston)	\$901,679	69	Spectrum #4 (Co. Kenosha)	\$872,171
28	Marquette-Adams #4 (T. Harris & Packwaukee)	\$324,091	70	Spectrum #7 (Co. Racine)	\$629,616
29	Marquette-Adams #5 (T. Towns of Mecan, Montello & Shields)	\$2,422,837	71	Spectrum #8 (Co. Walworth)	\$2,244,450
30	Marquette-Adams #6 (T. Quincy)	\$986,180	72	Starwire #3 (Indian Creek - South, Phase 2)	\$540,057
31	Marquette-Adams #7 (T. Springfield)	\$790,568	73	Superior Connections (Rez Connect)	\$6,041,269
32	Mosaic Technologies #1 (Bear Lake & Oak Grove)	\$3,625,483	74	TDS #3 / Central State Tel. Co. (Necedah)	\$1,088,791
33	Mosaic Technologies #2 (Big Chetac)	\$4,093,321	75	TDS #6 / The Farmers Tel. Co. (Potosi)	\$943,333
34	Mosaic Technologies #3 (Four Corners)	\$185,530	76	Tri-County Coop #1 (T. Alma)	\$2,177,500
35	Mosaic Technologies #4 (T. Otter Creek)	\$878,700	77	Tri-County Coop #2 (T. Naples)	\$1,137,500
36	Mosaic Technologies #6 (T. Sarona)	\$4,233,425	78	UpNetWI (T. Pleasant Springs)	\$90,346
37	Nextgen Broadband (Glenwood City)	\$2,130,629	79	Vernon Comm. Coop. #1 (Co. Crawford)	\$5,697,500
38	Northwest Comm. #1 / Somerset Tel. Co. (T. Alden)	\$333,200	80	Washington Island Electric Coop. (Washington Island, Phase 3)	\$1,060,178
39	Northwest Comm. #2 / Amery Telcom (Amery Exchange)	\$980,000	81	Wittenberg Tel. Co. #1 (Co. Langlade)	\$544,850
40	Northwoods Connect (Co. Forest, Oneida & Vilas)	\$2,283,772	82	Wittenberg Tel. Co. #2 (T. Norrie)	\$150,000
41	Norvado #1 (T. Barksdale)	\$624,580	83	Wittenberg Tel. Co. #3 (Stockbridge-Munsee)	\$543,400
42	Norvado #2 (T. Lenroot)	\$613,130			

**GRANT AWARD TOTAL . . . . . \$99,932,502**



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# 2022 ARPA Broadband Access Grant Summary



Applicant / Project	Project Description	Status:	Award:	Match:
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Brunswick	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 13 businesses and 254 residential locations in the town of Brunswick in Eau Claire county.	Open	\$869,545.00	\$869,545.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Elk Mound	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 17 businesses and 328 residential locations in the town of Elk Mound in Dunn county.	Open	\$1,383,320.00	\$1,383,320.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Howard	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 6 businesses and 112 residential locations in the town of Howard in Chippewa county.	Open	\$529,635.00	\$529,635.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Lucas	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 13 businesses and 240 residential locations in the town of Lucas in Dunn county.	Open	\$857,915.00	\$857,915.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Menomonie	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 15 businesses and 286 residential locations in the town of Menomonie in Dunn county.	Open	\$1,069,815.00	\$1,069,815.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Red Cedar - Phase 3	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 24 businesses and 457 residential locations in the town of Red Cedar in Dunn county.	Open	\$1,479,140.00	\$1,479,140.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Spring Brook	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 8 businesses and 146 residential locations in the town of Spring Brook in Dunn county.	Open	\$794,835.00	\$794,835.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Stanton	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 16 businesses and 313 residential locations in the town of Stanton in Dunn county.	Open	\$1,506,790.00	\$1,506,790.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Tainter	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 17 businesses and 326 residential locations in the town of Tainter in Dunn county.	Open	\$1,438,035.00	\$1,438,035.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Weston - Phase 2	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 7 businesses and 126 residential locations in the town of Weston in Dunn county.	Open	\$616,285.00	\$616,285.00
<b>24-7 Telcom, Inc</b> Town of Wheaton - Phase 2	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 18 businesses and 341 residential locations in the town of Wheaton in Chippewa county.	Open	\$1,421,630.00	\$1,421,630.00

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<b>Amherst Telephone Company</b> Town of Dayton Phase 2	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 4 businesses and 101 residential locations in the town of Dayton in Waupaca county.	Open	\$147,640.00	\$276,005.00
<b>CCI Systems, Inc DBA Astrea</b> Town of Foster - Rock Dam Lake	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 4 businesses and 140 residential locations in the town of Foster in Clark county.	Open	\$179,048.00	\$119,366.00
<b>Bloomer Telephone Company</b> Town of Eagle Point	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 5 businesses and 200 residential locations in the town of Eagle Point in Chippewa county.	Open	\$1,216,759.00	\$1,273,750.00
<b>Bloomer Telephone Company</b> Town of Tilden	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 3 businesses and 97 residential locations in the town of Tilden in Chippewa county.	Open	\$663,340.00	\$600,000.00
<b>Bruce Telephone Company</b> Fireside Lake	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 1 business and 53 residential locations in the town of Big Bend in Rusk county.	Open	\$66,225.00	\$66,225.00
<b>Cochrane Cooperative Telephone Company</b> Town of Cross	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 26 businesses and 202 residential locations in the town of Cross in Buffalo county.	Open	\$2,100,000.00	\$900,000.00
<b>Whitewater Wideband, LLC DBA Edge Broadband</b> Town of Lafayette	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 11 businesses and 69 residential locations in the town of Lafayette in Walworth county.	Open	\$144,804.00	\$169,804.00
<b>Farmers Independent Telephone Company DBA Grantsburg Telcom</b> Anderson	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 45 residential locations in the town of Anderson in Burnett county.	Open	\$223,530.00	\$223,530.00
<b>Farmers Independent Telephone Company DBA Grantsburg Telcom</b> Clam River Phase 1	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 35 residential locations in the town of Union in Burnett county.	Open	\$251,545.00	\$251,545.00
<b>Farmers Independent Telephone Company DBA Grantsburg Telcom</b> Sterling	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 102 residential locations in the town of Sterling in Polk county.	Open	\$403,324.00	\$403,324.00
<b>LaValle Telephone Cooperative</b> Highway 58 Phase 2 (Route to Mauston)	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 2 businesses and 145 residential locations in the towns of Lindina and Summit in Juneau county.	Open	\$624,750.00	\$864,650.00
<b>LaValle Telephone Cooperative</b> Town of Woodland	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 1 business and 210 residential locations in the town of Woodland in Sauk county.	Open	\$949,500.00	\$1,224,650.00

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<b>Town of Liberty Grove</b> Northport FTTH Pilot	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 1 businesses and 44 residential locations in the town of Liberty Grove in Door county.	Open	\$318,500.00	\$318,500.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Town of Adams East	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 5 businesses and 493 residential locations in the town of Adams in Adams county.	Open	\$998,510.00	\$1,109,121.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Town of Adams West	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 2 businesses and 235 residential locations in the town of Adams in Adams county.	Open	\$538,645.00	\$721,777.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Towns of Lewiston and Fort Winnebago	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 2 businesses and 205 residential locations in Columbia county.	Open	\$901,679.00	\$492,000.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Towns of Packwaukee and Harris	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 8 businesses and 121 residential locations in the towns of Packwaukee and Harris in Marquette county.	Open	\$324,091.00	\$528,780.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Towns of Montello, Mecan and Shields	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 641 residential locations in the towns of Mecan, Shields, and Montello in Marquette county.	Open	\$2,422,837.00	\$2,587,915.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Town of Quincy	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 15 businesses and 600 residential locations in the town of Quincy in Adams county.	Open	\$986,180.00	\$1,361,868.00
<b>Marquette-Adams Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Town of Springfield	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 3 businesses and 313 residential locations in the town of Springfield in Marquette county.	Open	\$790,568.00	\$966,250.00
<b>Chibardun Telephone Cooperative DBA Mosaic Technologies</b> Bear Lake / Oak Grove	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 93 businesses and 468 residential locations in the towns of Bear Lake, Oak Grove, Sarona, and Cedar Lake in Washburn and Barron counties.	Open	\$3,625,483.00	\$1,628,840.00
<b>Chibardun Telephone Cooperative DBA Mosaic Technologies</b> Big Chetac	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 24 businesses and 511 residential locations in the towns of Birchwood and Edgewater in Washburn and Sawyer counties.	Open	\$4,093,321.00	\$1,061,793.00
<b>Chibardun Telephone Cooperative DBA Mosaic Technologies</b> Four Corners	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 9 businesses and 13 residential locations in the towns of Wilson, Cedar Lake, and Birchwood in Washburn, Barron, and Rusk counties.	Open	\$185,530.00	\$99,900.00

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<b>Chibardun Telephone Cooperative DBA Mosaic Technologies</b> Town of Otter Creek	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 19 businesses and 57 residential locations in the town of Otter Creek in Dunn county.	Open	\$878,700.00	\$153,299.00
<b>Chibardun Telephone Cooperative DBA Mosaic Technologies</b> Town of Sarona	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 75 businesses and 690 residential locations in the towns of Sarona, Madge, Beaver Brook, and Long Lake in Washburn county.	Open	\$4,233,425.00	\$1,901,973.00
<b>Nextgen Communications, LLC DBA Nextgen Broadband</b> Glenwood City	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 102 businesses and 1036 residential locations in the city of Glenwood, and the villages of Downing and Boyceville in St. Croix and Dunn counties.	Open	\$2,130,629.00	\$1,420,419.00
<b>Somerset Telephone Company, Inc. DBA Northwest Communications</b> Town of Alden	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 7 businesses and 300 residential locations in the town of Alden in Polk county.	Open	\$333,200.00	\$341,300.00
<b>Amery Telcom, Inc DBA Northwest Communications</b> Amery Exchange	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 18 businesses and 668 residential locations in the communities of Little Falls, Joel, Lykens, Wanderoos, and Deronda in Polk county.	Open	\$980,000.00	\$1,212,000.00
<b>Northwoods Communications Technologies, LLC DBA Northwoods Connect</b> Forest, Oneida and Vilas Counties	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 65 businesses and 1268 residential locations in the Reservation of Mole Lake Indians, and the towns of Lincoln, Laona, Blackwell, Argonne, Hiles, Crandon, Nashville, Three Lakes, and Washington in Forest, Vilas, and Oneida counties.	Open	\$2,283,772.00	\$5,540,000.00
<b>Norvado, Inc</b> Town of Barksdale	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 24 businesses and 185 residential locations in the town of Barksdale in Bayfield county.	Open	\$624,580.00	\$624,580.00
<b>Norvado, Inc</b> Town of Lenroot	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 20 businesses and 153 residential locations in the town of Lenroot in Sawyer county.	Open	\$613,130.00	\$613,130.00
<b>Norvado, Inc</b> Lower Eau Claire	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 37 residential locations in the town of Barnes in Bayfield county.	Open	\$141,070.00	\$141,070.00
<b>Price County Telephone Company DBA Norvado</b> Phillips East - Musser Lake	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 46 businesses and 1377 residential locations in the city of Phillips and towns of Worcester, Elk, Emery, Hackett, and Harmony in Price county.	Open	\$1,994,994.00	\$5,984,986.00

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<b>Norvado, Inc</b> Washburn North	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 13 businesses and 248 residential locations in the city of Washburn and towns of Washburn and Barksdale in Bayfield county.	Open	\$483,365.00	\$483,365.00
<b>Nelson Communications Cooperative DBA Ntec</b> Town of Mondovi	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 142 businesses and 142 residential locations in the town of Mondovi in Buffalo county.	Open	\$1,585,200.00	\$835,525.00
<b>Ntera, LLC</b> Arnold	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 15 businesses and 150 residential locations in the towns of Cleveland, Estella, Lake Holcombe, and Ruby in Chippewa county.	Open	\$673,650.00	\$673,650.00
<b>Ntera, LLC</b> Crescent - Colburn	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 13 businesses and 98 residential locations in the towns of Arthur and Colburn in Chippewa county.	Open	\$436,403.00	\$436,403.00
<b>Ntera, LLC</b> Delmar - Edson	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 15 businesses and 269 residential locations in the towns of Delmar, Edson, Sigel, and Goetz in Chippewa county.	Open	\$1,065,000.00	\$1,065,000.00
<b>Oconto County Economic Development Corporation</b> Mountain / Riverview	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 9 businesses and 375 residential locations in the towns of Riverview and Mountain in Oconto county.	Open	\$1,595,464.00	\$500,000.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Clifton North	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 100 residential locations in the towns of River Falls and Clifton in Pierce county.	Open	\$1,080,103.00	\$720,068.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Clifton South	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 6 businesses and 120 residential locations in the city of River Falls and the town of Clifton in Pierce county.	Open	\$537,725.00	\$405,651.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Town of Ellsworth	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 5 businesses and 255 residential locations in the towns of Ellsworth, El Paso, and Martell in Pierce county.	Open	\$627,174.00	\$1,297,355.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> El Paso	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 390 residential locations in the towns of River Falls, El Paso, and Martell in Pierce county.	Open	\$1,293,497.00	\$1,580,941.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Esdaile NW	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 250 residential locations in the towns of Ellsworth, El Paso, and Hartland in Pierce county.	Open	\$591,698.00	\$1,301,325.00

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<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Oak Grove North	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 8 businesses and 142 residential locations in the towns of Oak Grove and Clifton in Pierce county.	Open	\$712,130.00	\$870,380.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Oak Grove South	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 2 businesses and 214 residential locations in the town of Oak Grove in Pierce county.	Open	\$507,549.00	\$1,184,282.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Town of River Falls Northeast	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 14 businesses and 360 residential locations in the city of River Falls and the towns of Kinnickinnic and River Falls in Pierce and St. Croix counties.	Open	\$804,340.00	\$1,876,793.00
<b>Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services</b> Trimbelle West	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 6 businesses and 200 residential locations in the towns of River Falls, Trimbelle, and Oak Grove in Pierce county.	Open	\$575,465.00	\$863,197.00
<b>Reedsburg Utility Commission DBA LightSpeed</b> Happy Hill	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 28 businesses and 404 residential locations in the towns of Honey Creek, Westfield, Baraboo, and Freedom in Sauk county.	Open	\$2,362,500.00	\$2,887,500.00
<b>Reedsburg Utility Commission DBA LightSpeed</b> Iowa County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 23 businesses and 479 residential locations in the village of Arena, the towns of Arena and Wyoming, and the communities of Coon Rock, Helena, and Wyoming in Iowa county.	Open	\$2,025,000.00	\$2,475,000.00
<b>Reedsburg Utility Commission DBA LightSpeed</b> White Mound	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 57 businesses and 625 residential locations in the village of Plain and towns of Bear Creek, Franklin, Buena Vista, and Ithaca in Sauk and Richland counties.	Open	\$3,757,500.00	\$4,592,500.00
<b>Reedsburg Utility Commission DBA LightSpeed</b> Witwen	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 40 businesses and 652 residential locations in the towns of Troy, Honey Creek, Prairie du Sac, and Sumpter in Sauk county.	Open	\$3,600,000.00	\$4,400,000.00
<b>Richland-Grant Telephone Cooperative, Inc</b> Crawford County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 1 business and 393 residential locations in the towns of Clayton, Scott, and Haney in Crawford county.	Open	\$2,364,000.00	\$3,303,237.00
<b>Siren Telephone Company</b> Town of Jackson / Voyager Village Phase 2	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 1 businesses and 247 residential locations in the town of Jackson in Burnett county.	Open	\$421,948.00	\$632,922.00

Applicant / Project	Project Description	Status:	Award:	Match:
<b>Siren Telephone Company</b> Town of Oakland / West Yellow River Road	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 152 residential locations in the town of Oakland in Burnett county.	Open	\$252,264.00	\$378,396.00
<b>SonicNet, Inc</b> Town of Washington (Bass Lake)	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 12 businesses and 187 residential locations in the town of Washington in Vilas county.	Open	\$349,658.00	\$349,659.00
<b>Spectrum Mid-America, LLC</b> Town of Janesville	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 39 residential locations in the town of Janesville in Rock county.	Open	\$133,654.00	\$117,000.00
<b>Spectrum Mid-America, LLC</b> Kenosha County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 918 residential locations in the towns of Paris and Brighton, and the village of Bristol in Kenosha county.	Open	\$872,171.00	\$2,754,000.00
<b>Spectrum Mid-America, LLC</b> Racine County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 2000 residential locations in the town of Yorkville and the villages of Rochester and Union Grove in Racine county.	Open	\$629,616.00	\$5,068,850.00
<b>Spectrum Mid-America, LLC</b> Walworth County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 47 businesses and 2161 residential locations in the cities of Whitewater and Elkhorn, the villages of Walworth and Bloomfield, and the towns of Walworth, Linn, Bloomfield, Whitewater, La Grange, Richmond, Sugar Creek, Lafayette, Troy, Darien, Delavan, Geneva, and Spring Prairie in Walworth county.	Open	\$2,244,450.00	\$7,124,000.00
<b>Starwire Technologies, LLC</b> Indian Creek South Phase 2	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 17 businesses and 149 residential locations in the town of Lorain in Polk county.	Open	\$540,057.00	\$360,038.00
<b>Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians DBA Superior Connections</b> Rez Connect	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 260 residential locations in Ashland county.	Open	\$6,041,269.00	\$671,252.00
<b>Central State Telephone Company, LLC DBA TDS Telecom</b> Necedah	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 25 businesses and 780 residential locations in the towns of Armenia, Clearfield, Finley, and Necedah in Juneau county.	Open	\$1,088,791.00	\$466,625.00
<b>The Farmers Telephone Company, LLC DBA TDS Telecom</b> Potosi	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 7 businesses and 177 residential locations in the towns of Harrison and Potosi in Grant county.	Open	\$943,333.00	\$404,285.00



Applicant / Project	Project Description	Status:	Award:	Match:
<b>Tri-County Communications Cooperative, Inc</b> Town of Alma (Jackson County)	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 338 residential locations in the town of Alma in Jackson county.	Open	\$2,177,500.00	\$1,172,500.00
<b>Tri-County Communications Cooperative, Inc</b> Town of Naples	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 10 businesses and 160 residential locations in the town of Naples in Buffalo county.	Open	\$1,137,500.00	\$612,500.00
<b>UpnetWI, LLC</b> Town of Pleasant Springs	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 5 businesses and 184 residential locations in the town of Pleasant Springs in Dane county.	Open	\$90,346.00	\$97,874.00
<b>Vernon Communications Cooperative</b> Crawford County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 52 businesses and 993 residential locations in the towns of Freeman, Utica, and Seneca, and the villages of Mount Sterling and Lynxville in Crawford county.	Open	\$5,697,500.00	\$1,077,500.00
<b>Washington Island Electric Cooperative</b> Washington Island - Phase 3	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 78 businesses and 232 residential locations in the town of Washington in Door county.	Open	\$1,060,178.00	\$737,150.00
<b>Wittenberg Telephone Company, Inc DBA Wittenberg Wireless</b> Langlade County	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise to reach 13 businesses and 156 residential locations in the towns of Antigo, Neva, Upham and Polar in Langlade county.	Open	\$544,850.00	\$445,785.00
<b>Wittenberg Telephone Company, Inc DBA Wittenberg Wireless</b> Town of Norrie	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 3 businesses and 96 residential locations in the town of Norrie in Marathon county.	Open	\$150,000.00	\$125,985.00
<b>Wittenberg Telephone Company, Inc DBA Wittenberg Wireless</b> Stockbridge Munsee	This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premise service to reach 4 businesses and 148 residential locations in the towns of Almon, Stockbridge, and Red Springs in Shawano county.	Open	\$543,400.00	\$444,600.00
<b>Total:</b>		<b>83 Grants</b>	<b>\$99,932,502.00 Award</b>	<b>\$101,942,388.00 Match</b>

## Introduction to Digital Literacy Coaches/Navigators

**Basic digital literacy training** generally includes at least the following elements (National Digital Inclusion Alliance: Digital Inclusion Start Up Manual, Chapter 4: Digital Literacy Programs):

- Components of a computer
- Mouse and keyboard use as well as usually some keyboarding
- Using an internet browser
- Creating and using an email account
- Basics of word processing
- Privacy, security, and data protection
- Finding trusted sources for additional learning
- A set of instructional videos found online or created by your organization to assist asynchronous learners

Additional digital literacy education can center on specific applications (e.g., word processing, spreadsheets, graphics), specific domains of interest (e.g., health care or financial management) or development of job skills (e.g., warehouse management, spreadsheets) and certifications (e.g., hardware or software). Note that these may impose software and/or hardware requirements for the individual or organization. Often, people seeking digital literacy are interested in solving a particular problem. Others may approach it from a more general desire to learn what computers and the internet are all about.

**Digital Coaches/Navigators** work with individuals based on those individuals unique learning goals and needs. Coaches/Navigators first assess the needs of the individual, and then guide them towards resources and learning activities and resources geared toward their needs. The coach/navigator often works one-on-one, supports progress, and forms trusting relationships. Coaches/Navigators need to be knowledgeable about resources for digital inclusion and digital literacy (See the Digital Navigator Model graphic produced by NDIA:

[https://www.digitalinclusion.org/wp-content/uploads/dlm\\_uploads/2021/04/DN-Infographic.pdf](https://www.digitalinclusion.org/wp-content/uploads/dlm_uploads/2021/04/DN-Infographic.pdf))

### **Digital Literacy Coaches/Navigator Project in Eau Claire County**

The Eau Claire County Broadband Committee, in collaboration with the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, has developed a Digital Literacy Coaches/Navigators Program. College student volunteers are available to connect one-to-one with citizens who wish to further their digital literacy skills. This service is open to all residents of Eau Claire County, and we are making a special effort to meet the needs of people who have only recently gained access to high-speed internet, such as residents of Drammen Township, parts of Brunswick Township, and members of the 50 households that are participating in the Starlink Pilot project in an area of the county south of Augusta.

## Eau Claire County Broadband Committee: Digital Literacy Program Application Form

Please submit the following information to Donald Mowry via mail (S8821 County Line Rd, Mondovi, WI) or email ([donald.mowry@co.eau-claire.wi.us](mailto:donald.mowry@co.eau-claire.wi.us)), or phone (715-875-4206--leave a message if no answer—Don will return your call) to allow us to match you with a Digital Coach/Navigator. Thank you!

Name of Community Member

Community Member Preferred Initial Contact (phone/email)

Preferred Language

What Kind of Device Are You Currently Using?

- Smartphone
- Tablet
- Laptop/Desktop
- I don't have a device
- Other:

Please describe if “Other”

Type of Issue or Learning Need

- Device Hardware (e.g., I need help turning on my smartphone)
- Home Connectivity (e.g., I need help getting connected to an Internet Service Provider)
- Digital Skills (e.g., I need to get into my email)
- Research (e.g., I need help finding information about a topic)
- Other:

Please describe if “Other”

How did you hear about this program?

Please feel free to add any additional comments below that may be helpful in matching you to a Digital Literacy Coach/Navigator.

# **Application to request County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds to match local governmental units (town) for Broadband Infrastructure.**

## ***Description***

By resolution file no. 21-22/034, the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors designated 2.8 million dollars of its funding received through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to be used as matching funds in combination with ARPA funds from local units of governments (towns) for the expansion of broadband infrastructure/services within Eau Claire County.

Applications from the towns requesting matching funds shall be for broadband infrastructure/services within townships in Eau Claire County.

## ***Application and materials***

To qualify for a for matching funds for broadband infrastructure or services:

- Application must be filed by a town municipal government from Eau Claire County.
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- Detail drawings must be attached to the application that identifies the areas in the town to be covered by the project. The drawings shall be on media no larger than 11" by 17".
- Application shall indicate the amount of the town's ARPA funds are allocated to the broadband infrastructure project (proof from town board meeting).
- Town Chair or its designee must sign the application.
- Broadband expansion projects that cross over municipal boundaries, require separate applications from each town to be considered for County ARPA fund match.

## ***Eligible Use of Funds***

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## ***Application Timeline & Procedures***

Completed application shall be submitted to Rodney Eslinger, Clerk for the Broadband Committee at [rod.eslinger@co.eau-claire.wi.us](mailto:rod.eslinger@co.eau-claire.wi.us). Please note the maximum attachment size is 10MB. If an email and attachments exceed the allowable size, please send multiple emails.

Application shall be reviewed by the Broadband Committee at their next regularly scheduled meeting (the Broadband Committee currently meets the third Thursday of the month at 4 pm). The Broadband shall act on the request to allocate the funds requested.

Successful applicants will also be required to sign an intergovernmental agreement that further defines the expectations for the ARPA fund match.

**DEADLINE:** January 1, 2023

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS TO MATCH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS  
FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE**

SECTION I-TOWN ARPA FUND MATCH REQUEST	
Please indicated the requested amount of County ARPA Fund Match for the broadband infrastructure project in your township.	
Project Name	Amount
1.	\$
2.	\$
3.	\$

SECTION II-TOWN CONTACT INFORMATION	
<b>Town of:</b>	
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	
<b>City, State, Zip:</b>	<b>Website URL:</b>
<b>Town Chair:</b>	<b>Town Clerk:</b>
<b>Office Phone:</b>	<b>Email:</b>
<b>DUNS #</b>	
<b>FEIN</b> ((Federal Employee Identification Number –Tax ID):	
<b>Provide a description of the scope of work for the broadband project, and attached a detailed drawing of the area to be served by the project (attach supporting documentation):</b>	
<b>Please submit the following project-level information for the broadband project:</b>	
<b>Technology to be deployed (highspeed internet)</b>	
<b>Pricing tiers to be offered (affordability)</b>	
<b>Miles of fiber</b>	
<b>Cost per mile</b>	
<b>Speeds to be offered</b>	
<b>System download speed</b>	
<b>System upload speed</b>	
<b>Number of households to be served</b>	
<b>Number of institutions and businesses to be served</b>	
<b>Anticipated start date</b>	
<b>Anticipated completion date</b>	

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
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SECTION III- INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION			
Name	Address	Phone	Email

SECTION IV- PROJECT FINANCE DETAIL	
<b>Please detail how you intend to use the MATCH dollars. Attach documentation.</b>	
Internet Service Provider (ISP) Match:	\$
Town ARPA Fund Match:	\$
County ARPA Fund Match:	\$
PSC Grant Application:	\$
Other Loans:	\$
Other financing (businesses or property owners):	\$
<b>OVERALL PROJECT TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>

SECTION V - ATTACHMENTS		
The following required attachments are provided (check box that applies):	Yes	No
Scope of work description (if not indicated in section II)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Project map of area to be serviced	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Town Board Approval (meeting minutes, town letter)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other documents/information:	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

SECTION VI – CERTIFICATION/SIGNATURE	
<b>By signing below, the applicant(s):</b>	
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<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Signature:</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Name:</b>
<b>Title: Town Chair</b>	<b>Title: Town Clerk</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>Date:</b>

# **Application to request County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds to match local governmental units (town) for Broadband Infrastructure.**

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
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<b>SECTION I-TOWN ARPA FUND MATCH REQUEST</b>	
Please indicated the requested amount of County ARPA Fund Match for the broadband infrastructure project in your township.	
Project Name	Amount
1. Town of Drammen Broadband Project	\$ 89,700.96
2.	\$
3.	\$

<b>SECTION II-TOWN CONTACT INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Town of: Drammen</b>	
<b>Mailing Address: S12185 Oak Rd</b>	
<b>City, State, Zip: Eleva, WI., 54738</b>	<b>Website URL:</b>
<b>Town Chair: Ed Risler</b>	<b>Town Clerk: Mark Zuber</b>
<b>Office Phone: 715-287-4747</b>	<b>Email: townofdrammen@outlook.com</b>
<b>DUNS # 118047847</b>	
<b>FEIN ((Federal Employee Identification Number –Tax ID):39-6005861</b>	
<p><b>Provide a description of the scope of work for the broadband project, and attached a detailed drawing of the area to be served by the project (attach supporting documentation):</b></p> <p>The project will cover all areas of the Town of Drammen currently served by Frontier Communications.</p>	
<b>Please submit the following project-level information for the broadband project:</b>	
<b>Technology to be deployed (highspeed internet)</b>	<b>Fiber to the Home</b>
<b>Pricing tiers to be offered (affordability)</b>	<b>88.90/month-24-7, 99.95/ month-TCC</b>
<b>Miles of fiber</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Cost per mile</b>	<b>49,968.97</b>
<b>Speeds to be offered</b>	<b>Up to 1 gbyte</b>
<b>System download speed</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>System upload speed</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Number of households to be served</b>	<b>266</b>
<b>Number of institutions and businesses to be served</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Anticipated start date</b>	<b>May 2021</b>
<b>Anticipated completion date</b>	<b>May 2022</b>



**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS TO MATCH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS  
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<b>SECTION III- INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>
Buck Webb	417 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave N, Strum, WI 54770	715-695-2691	bwebb@tccpro.net
Jim Kusilek	5808 Old Mill Plaza, Eau Claire, WI 54703	715-231-2000	Jkusilek@wwt.coop

<b>SECTION IV- PROJECT FINANCE DETAIL</b>	
<b>Please detail how you intend to use the MATCH dollars. Attach documentation.</b>	
<b>Internet Service Provider (ISP) Match:</b>	\$829,100.00
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<b>County ARPA Fund Match:</b>	\$89,700.96
<b>PSC Grant Application:</b>	\$1,449,100.00
<b>Other Loans:</b>	\$400,000.00
<b>Other financing (businesses or property owners):</b>	\$40,598.08
<b>OVERALL PROJECT TOTAL:</b>	\$2,898,200.00

<b>SECTION V - ATTACHMENTS</b>		
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<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Signature:</b>
<b>Name: Ed Risler</b>	<b>Name: Mark Zuber</b>
<b>Title: Town Chair</b>	<b>Title: Town Clerk</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>Date:</b>

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
EUA CLAIRE COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF \_\_\_\_\_  
DISTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR  
BROADBAND EXPANSION**

**A. PURPOSE:**

Whereas because of the American Recovery Plan Act (“ARPA”) that was passed by the United States Government in 2021, Eau Claire County and the Townships located within Eau Claire County have all received funds from ARPA which among other things can be used for the development and improvement of highspeed internet service otherwise known as “broadband” within Eau Claire County. Eau Claire County has set aside a portion of its ARPA funds and established a matching grant program, to match the amount of funds by the Towns for broadband expansion. This agreement entered into by and between Eau Claire County (“County”) and the Town of \_\_\_\_\_ (“Town”) will regulate how those funds will be disbursed and administered.

**B. APPLICATION PROCESS:**

The Town will complete and file an application with the Eau Claire County Broadband Committee for the purpose of requesting a grant from the County’s ARPA funds for broadband purposes. The application will be filed on the form created by the Broadband Committee and will include at a minimum, the following information:

1. The amount of the Town’s ARPA funds being committed to Broadband infrastructure/improvements; and,
2. the amount of funds being requested by the Town from the County as a matching grant; and,
3. the geographical area in the Town where the broadband project will take place; and,
4. a statement on the nature of the project being planned, and an itemization of how the how the funds will be spent including what equipment will be purchased, what work will be performed, the name of the individual or company who will perform the work, and the timeline for completion of the broadband project.

The County Broadband Committee will review all applications for completeness and that the proposed project follows the rules and regulations of ARPA and will determine the following:

1. If the requested funds will be used by the Town for a broadband project as that term is defined under ARPA; and,
2. The total amount of the grant to the Town; and,
3. If any additional information is needed from the Town as part of the application process to assist the Broadband Committee with making a final determination for grant approval.

### **C. USE OF FUNDS BY THE TOWN:**

The Town understands and agrees that the County has set aside a portion of its ARPA funds as a grant program to match the ARPA funds contributed by the Town towards Broadband improvement. In no instance will the Broadband Committee approve an allocation from Eau Claire County that exceeds the amount the Town is contributing from its own ARPA funds towards the project. The match is limited to use for broadband improvement/expansion as defined under ARPA and may not be used for any of the other purposes set forth in ARPA or for any other reason.

The funds distributed are matching funds, therefore the Town will use the Town's portion of the funds first and then use the matching funds contributed under this agreement. Any unused funds that were contributed under this program, at the completion of the project will be returned to the County so the County can either reallocate the funds or return them to the federal government consistent with ARPA.

The parties acknowledge and agree that the funds distributed under ARPA are restricted to the purposes set forth in the ARPA, and that the failure to comply with the requirements of the ARPA could cause the Town or the County to be required repay the federal government. Should at any time the federal government determine that the funds distributed to the Town were not used in compliance with ARPA and for other than broadband purposes, and informs the County that it must to repay the funds distributed to the Town, then the Town will within 10 days of being notified of the requirement to repay the funds to the federal government will pay to the County the full amount of the grant they received from the county, plus any interest or penalty assessed by the federal government.

### **D. REPORTING:**

The American Rescue Plan Act requires local governments to keep track of and report to the federal government how ARPA funds were spent.

The Town will provide the County with the following information within 60 days of the expenditure of the grant and in no instance after December 31, 2024.

1. An itemized list of where and how the grant funds were spent, including, the following:
  - a. The date of the funds and who they were paid to.
  - b. A copy of the invoice, or payment record for each payment.
  - c. The purpose of the payment, and how it related to the broadband project

**E. CONTACT PERSON/ NOTICE**

The following individuals are the contact person for each organization and authorized to receive any correspondence/notices related to this agreement:

Eau Claire County:	Town:
Director of Planning and Development	Title:
Rod Eslinger	Name:
721 Oxford Ave	Address:
Eau Claire, WI 54703	
715 839-4741	Phone:

**F. RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES; INDEMNIFICATION**

The parties agree and acknowledge that this agreement in no way makes the County a party to the Town’s broadband project, and that the County will not at any time indemnify or assume responsibility on behalf of the Town for the planning, execution, or completion of its broadband project. The County’s responsibilities are solely limited to those set forth in this agreement. The Town will fully indemnify the County should any claims or judgments be filed against the County, including, costs, fees, or attorney fees, that stem from or are the result of the acts or omissions of the Town, its elected officials, officers, agents, or employees in relation to its broadband project for which funding is being provided under this agreement.

**G. TERMINATION/CONCLUSION OF THIS AGREEMENT**

This agreement in no instance shall extend past the conclusion of ARPA. All funds shall be expended, and all work completed consistent with the timelines established by ARPA. In the event the Town is unable to complete its project prior to these deadlines, it shall on or before the termination of ARPA complete its reporting obligations as set forth in this agreement and return all unused funds to the County.

**H. AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT**

By signing this agreement, the parties acknowledge that they have the authority to act on behalf of the Eau Claire County Board and/or the Eau Claire County Broadband Committee and the Town Board to enter into this intergovernmental agreement.

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY

TOWN OF \_\_\_\_\_

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