

505624 - Cedar County Broadband ITQ - 935 Grant Ave Tipton

Application Details

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| Funding Opportunity: | 498157-Invitation to Qualify (ITQ) Broadband Intervention Zones |
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| Program Area: | ITQ - Broadband Intervention Zones |
| Status: | Submitted |
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| Last Submit Date: | |
| Last Submitted By: | |

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Status*: Approved

Name*: East Central Intergovernmental Association

Organization Type*: Councils of Government

DUNS: ##-###-####

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Cover Sheet-General Information

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**County(ies) Participating,
Involved, or Affected by this
Proposal*:** Cedar County

To find your district, click on the "Congressional Map" link. On the left hand side of the page, click on the drop-down list and click on "State of Iowa". Then, enter an address for the county/ies you serve in the Search bar. Click "Enter." This will provide you with your Congressional District, Iowa Senate District and Iowa House District.

**Congressional District(s)
Involved or Affected by this
Proposal*:** Statewide
Congressional Map

**Iowa Senate District(s) Involved
or Affected by this Proposal*:** Statewide
Iowa Senate Map

**Iowa House District(s) Involved
or Affected by this Proposal*:** Statewide
Iowa House Map

Invitation To Qualify Application Exhibits

Required Forms and Submissions

Please indicate the community applicant type that best fits from this list.

Community Applicant Type*: County

**If Community Applicant Type is
"Other", please add additional
information here. :**

This section of the Iowa Grants system requires the Applicant to upload a cover letter as a Word doc or pdf on the Applicant's letterhead to provide a high-level overview of the Application describing your community's Broadband need in the area and the community's interest in obtaining programmatic funding in the Geographic Area of Concern. The Cover Letter is not scored.

Cover Letter*: 935 Grant Street - Tipton -Cedar County Broadband ITQ Cover Letter.pdf

The Applicant must upload a spreadsheet of locations obtained from the Broadband Availability Map. The system will allow you to download the locations as a CSV formatted spreadsheet. The Eligible Service Locations Spreadsheet must then be uploaded by the Community Applicant to the Iowa Grants system.

Note: Reference the "Geographic Area of Concern and Data Export/Import Instructions," labeled "Exhibit D," for instructions regarding how to properly complete this aspect of the Application.

**Eligible Service Locations
Spreadsheet*:** ITQ Eligible Locations.csv

Generally describe the area identified with the Geographic Area of Concern Selection Tool. Example: Rural Adams County, Poweshiek County Highway 6 Corridor, etc.

**General Description of the
geographic area of the circle*:**

Rural Cedar County, City of Durant, City of Clarence, City of Mechanicsville, City of Stanwood, and City of Tipton.

Write down the radius distance used to create your circle. The instructions for how to identify the radius can be found in Exhibit D Geographic Area of Concern Selection Tool and Data Export/Import Instructions ("Selection Tool").

Radius of the circle*: 8

**Address at the center of the
circle - Street Address *:**

935 Grant Ave

**Address of the center of the
circle - City*:**

Tipton

Address of the circle - State*:

IA

Address of the circle - zip code*: 52772

Optional Forms and Submissions - Work, Education, and Health Monitoring

This sub-factor takes into consideration whether Broadband investments in the proposed Geographic Area of Concern will help to facilitate community members engagement in employment, search for employment, and/or develop the requisite skills and knowledge to become employed (e.g., participate in career counseling programs, workforce training programs, as well as gain access to internet websites to search for and apply to jobs).

Work:

Please refer to letters of support. The following problems are occurring due to broadband issues:

- 1. Individuals are struggling to work from home with their current broadband connection available.**
- 2. Businesses are struggling to rely on their software due to broadband reliability issues.**

This subfactor takes into consideration whether Broadband investments in the proposed Geographic Area of Concern will help facilitate educational activities. Such education activities may be to acquire knowledge and/or skills, undertaken as part of a person's participation in school, an academic program, extracurricular program, social-emotional development program for students or youths, internship, or professional development program, or in another educational environment.

Education:

Please refer to letters of support. The following problems are occurring due to broadband issues:

- 1. Students are unable to work on assignments outside of class to due lack of broadband availability in some areas.**
- 2. Teachers are unable to access important files and grading software due to lack of broadband availability.**

This subfactor takes into consideration whether Broadband investments in the proposed Geographic Area of Concern will help facilitate health monitoring services to monitor an individual's health, including with respect to either physical or behavioral health.

Health Monitoring:

Please refer to letters of support. The following problems are occurring due to broadband issues:

- 1. Sheriff's Department broadband issues preventing them from troubleshooting computer issues**

2. Emergency Management Systems unable to respond as quickly due to broadband issues.

3. Cedar County Public Health has broadband issues impacting their health services.

Community Support Letters

Testimonial :

Community Support Letter : Cedar County LOS.pdf

This Community Support upload does not have to be on letterhead or have a mailing address within the Geographic Area of Concern. The author must demonstrate that there is a community tie-in or relationship to the Geographic Area of Concern.

Community Support Letter (no letterhead or mailing address):

Optional Forms and Submissions - Community Broadband Capital

| Item | Description | Category | Supporting Documentation |
|------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Utility Permit Fee Exemption | Simplified permitting processes | 03.28.2023 Cedar County BOS Meeting Minutes.docx |
| 2 | Matching Funds | Cash | 03.28.2023 Cedar County BOS Meeting Minutes.docx |
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Barriers to Broadband

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Installation:

Low population density has been an issue for a lot of the rural areas experiencing issues. Most broadband companies are not willing to invest due to a lack of return.

Optional Supporting Materials
for Barriers to Broadband
Installation Narrative:

Minority Impact Statement

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Does the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique positive impact on minority persons? *: No

Describe the positive impact expected from this project.:

Detail the rationale for the existence of the proposed program or policy.:

Indicate the group(s) positively impacted.:

Could the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique negative impact on minority persons? *: **No**

Describe the negative impact expected from this project.:

Detail the rationale for the existence of the proposed program or policy. :

Indicate the group(s) negatively impacted.:

Explain how you provided consultation with representatives of the minority groups impacted.:

I hereby certify the information above is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*: **Yes**

IT & Program Suppt. Specialist Dylan Michels
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