

507156 - ITQ Application - Carroll County

Application Details

Funding Opportunity: 498157-Invitation to Qualify (ITQ) Broadband Intervention Zones

Funding Opportunity Due Date: Mar 31, 2023 5:00 PM

Program Area: ITQ - Broadband Intervention Zones

Status: Submitted

Stage: Final Application

Initial Submit Date: Mar 31, 2023 10:37 AM

Initially Submitted By: Mathu Meiners

Last Submit Date:

Last Submitted By:

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Agency:

Organization Information

Status*: Approved

Name*: Carroll County Growth Partnership

Organization Type*: Non-Profit Organization

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Tax Id: Carroll Chamber of C

Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): Carroll Cham

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Benefactor:

Vendor Number / ID:

Cover Sheet-General Information

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Please enter the "Fiscal Officer" for your Organization.
If you are an individual, please provide your First and Last Name.

Name*: Kimberly Tiefenthaler

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**County(ies) Participating,
Involved, or Affected by this
Proposal*:** **Carroll 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*:** **4th - Rep Randy Feenstra**
Congressional Map

**Iowa Senate District(s) Involved
or Affected by this Proposal*:** **6**
Iowa Senate Map

**Iowa House District(s) Involved
or Affected by this Proposal*:** **11**
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*: **Other**

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

Carroll County Growth Partnership - Economic Development Corporation

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*: **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*:** **Eligible Service Locations Spreadsheet.xlsx**

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*:**

Carroll County

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 *:**

19159 Noble Ave.

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

Carroll

Address of the circle - State*:

IA

Address of the circle - zip code*: 51401

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:

Broadband investments in the proposed Geographic Area of Concern will help facilitate those who work in agriculture, remote positions, education and more. Much of the under served properties within the Geographic Area of Concern are on agriculture and/or farm production properties. The growing need for broadband is more than evident for this industry. Carroll County is also home to employers such as American Home Shield that employs roughly 500 individuals who all work remotely. Not just in the city of Carroll but within their home in a rural, country setting. Broadband is also necessary for these residents for them to be able to apply for work, study for education and more.

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:

Since COVID-19, education has changed in ways that allows classwork and classroom work to be more flexible, including attending school remotely. Broadband within Carroll County is important to support all the needs of our youth and their capability to study and learn. We believe K-12 education is a basic right to all of our youth, it is vital to make sure all the infrastructure is in place to support such a right. In this case, bringing broadband to those under served areas.

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:

Healthcare is another industry that has changed in many ways. One being the offering of health monitoring services and tele-health services provided throughout the Carroll County community. Having sufficient broadband is a necessity for all people to receive these basic services, along with reviewing their online chart to see lab results, and more. Most of the under served properties within our Geographic Area of Concern tend to be of more elderly population, whose healthcare needs tend to increase. Expanding broadband in this area is not only a basic benefit, but one that could help save lives.

Community Support Letters

Testimonial : Resident Letter of Support 1.docx

Community Support Letter : Community Support Letter.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): Community Support Letter - No Letter Head.pdf

Optional Forms and Submissions - Community Broadband Capital

Item	Description	Category	Supporting Documentation
1	City of Carroll	Favorable franchising fees	City of Carroll Community Broadband Capital.pdf
2	Carroll County Supervisors	Rights of way made available for Broadband buildout	Carroll County Community Broadband Capital.pdf
3			
4			
5			

Barriers to Broadband**Barriers to Broadband****Installation:**

The geographic area of concern within Carroll County is primarily rural and agricultural. In conversations with service providers it is difficult to justify spending the money to reach a smaller number of residents. However, the need for internet connectivity, both for business and personal reason is highly relevant. That being for agriculture, tele-health, education, remote work, and more.

Optional Supporting Materials Barriers to Broadband Infrastructure Investment.pdf

for Barriers to Broadband

Installation Narrative:

Minority Impact Statement***Minority Impact Statement***

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**

Government Affairs Director Mathu Meiners
Title First Name Last Name