

# 507253 - Rowley South

## Application Details

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**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 30, 2023 2:38 PM

**Initially Submitted By:** Lisa Kremer

**Last Submit Date:**

**Last Submitted By:**

## Contact Information

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### Primary Contact Information

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**Agency:**

### Organization Information

**Status\*:** Approved

**Name\*:** Buchanan County Economic Development Commission

**Organization Type\*:** Non-Profit Organization

**DUNS:** 04-257--5535  
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**Tax Id:**

**Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):**

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**Benefactor:**

**Vendor Number / ID:**

## Cover Sheet-General Information

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### *Cover Sheet-General Information*

#### Authorized Official

**Name\*:** Lisa Kremer

**Title\*:** Executive Director

**Organization\*:** Buchanan County Economic Development Commission  
**If you are an individual, please provide your First and Last Name.**

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**112 First Street East**

**City/State/Zip\*:** Independence Iowa 50644  
City State Zip

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#### Fiscal Officer/Agent

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

**Name\*:** Lisa Kremer

**Title:** Executive Director

**Organization:** Buchanan County Economic Development Commission

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112 First Street East

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City State Zip

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**County(ies) Participating,  
Involved, or Affected by this  
Proposal\*:** Buchanan 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\*:** 2nd - Rep Ashley Hinson  
Congressional Map

**Iowa Senate District(s) Involved  
or Affected by this Proposal\*:** 34  
Iowa Senate Map

**Iowa House District(s) Involved  
or Affected by this Proposal\*:** 67  
Iowa House Map

## Invitation To Qualify Application Exhibits

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### *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. :**

### **Buchanan County Economic Development Commission**

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 Rowley South.docx

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\*:**

**South-central Buchanan County extending from Overland Avenue west to Highway 150, and from approximately 290th Street south to 51st Street (D62) into Linn and Benton Counties.**

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\*:** 4

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

**3186 Michel Ave**

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

**Walker**

**Address of the circle - State\*:**

**IA**

**Address of the circle - zip code\*:** 52352

***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:**

**Working from home is extremely difficult in this area as noted in the Letters of Support. Many residents are unable to remotely work from home when their employers allow. Residents include state representatives of telecom vendors, and another is a program manager for a nuclear inspection team. Other businesses include implement dealers and many farmers whose investments rival brick and mortar urban stores.**

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:**

**This geographic area lacks reliable speed for students, both college, and in the primary grades, from effectively studying from home. Without reliable and adequate broadband speeds, students suffer while their classmates with reliable broadband excel. This lack of equality must stop.**

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:**

**Appointments with medical physicians via remote connections are not available within this geographic area because of substandard speeds and reliability. No patient should be subject to lack of medical care**

because of a lack of reliable broadband.

### ***Community Support Letters***

**Testimonial :** Burkhart LOS.pdf

**Community Support Letter :** Linn County.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):** Cooper LOS.pdf

### ***Optional Forms and Submissions - Community Broadband Capital***

ItemDescription		Category	Supporting Documentation
1	The Buchanan County Board of Supervisors has committed labor from road graders as a public-private p	Existing city/county-owned infrastructure available to providers	LOS- Board of Supervisors - Rowley south.pdf
2		Existing city/county-owned infrastructure available to providers	Community Broadband Capital.docx
3		Existing city/county-owned infrastructure available to providers	Linn County.pdf
4			Dudley LOS.pdf
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### ***Barriers to Broadband***

#### **Barriers to Broadband**

##### **Installation:**

The area in this application is geographically limited by East Buchanan Telephone Cooperative's tradition service area to the east, Highway 150 to the west, 290th Street to the north, and Spencer's Grove Road aka 51st Street aka D62 to the south in Linn and Benton County.

Spencer's Grove Road has a creek that crosses the highway with limestone rock throughout the eligible service area.

There are many creeks with rolling hills in the area with farmsteads surrounded by trees and shelter belts severely limiting any wireless service providers from providing broadband service. These 218 locations are extremely hopeful that the OCIO creates a Broadband Intervention Zone for future fiber deployments. With prices of mainline fiber cable doubling from 2021 to 2023, government funds are essential to deploying reliable high-speed broadband within the area.

#### **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

Executive Director Lisa Kremer  
Title First Name Last Name