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Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa****Status:** Submitted**Submitted Date:** 02/25/2021 11:56 AM**Submitted By:** Marcie Boerner**Applicant Information****Primary Contact:****AnA User Id**

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Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

Fax:**Agency****Organization Information****Organization Name:***

Webster-Calhoun Cooperative Telephone Association

Organization Type:*

Private

DUNS:

08-537-3389

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Cover Sheet-General Information**Authorized Official**

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Business Organization - NOFA #005

Business Legal Name* Webster-Calhoun Cooperative Telephone Association

Mailing Address

Street * 1106 Beek Street
City* Gowrie
State* IA
Zip* 50543

Alternate Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)

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Alternate City
Alternate State
Alternate Zip

Additional Information

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Public Redacted Broadband Additional Information

Is the Applicant a Communications Service Provider as defined by Iowa Code chapter 8B, including but not limited to private sector carriers, local governments, utilities, and other entities that provide or intend to provide Broadband service.

Communication Service Provider* Yes

Executive Project Summary NOFA #005

This section requires an Applicant to summarize, at a high level, its proposed Project, including but not limited to the geographic area in which the Project will occur, the primary deployment model (e.g., wireline versus wireless), and a general overview of how Applicant has/will comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of this NOFA #5. Please explain why CARES Act funds are necessary for the Project to proceed and how the Project will or will not proceed if the requested funds are not ultimately Awarded. Finally, please explain the current status of the Project, including the phase it is in, such as pre-planning, planning, or that building has commenced Name and upload this file "Application Number - Applicant Name - Executive Project Summary". This can be a PDF or Word Document.

Executive Project Summary* [NOFA 005 - Webster-Calhoun - Executive Project Summary.pdf](#)

The section requires Applicant to affirm whether or not federal funds are necessary for the Project to proceed.

Are federal Funds Necessary for the Project to proceed?* Yes

This section requires an Applicant to describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded.

Describe how the Project will or will not proceed if federal funds requested are not ultimately awarded.*

While Webster-Calhoun's project is "shovel ready", the current COVID-19 pandemic has caused Webster-Calhoun to delay construction due to market conditions. The ability to obtain grant funding for the project will allow Webster-Calhoun to start construction on an accelerated timeline. This accelerated timeline will provide broadband connectivity for the public services, public safety, telehealth, telework, and distance learning capabilities that are urgently needed by residents of the proposed serving area due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Project Status

Project Milestone	Estimated Completion date	Costs Incurred
OSP Engineering	12/01/2021	\$150,000.00
Mainline and Drop Fiber - Materials & Installation	12/01/2021	\$941,000.00
FTTP Electronics (CO & ONT)	12/01/2021	\$58,000.00

Demonstrated Experience NOFA #005

This section requires information about Applicant's demonstrated experience in provisioning Broadband across the State of Iowa. Applicant shall include relevant information about their experience that has prepared them to deploy their Project, such as, for example, community partnerships and services; number of years in business; number of years of experience providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #005; if the Applicant is a relatively new provider/market entrant, an explanation of the benefits, if any, of being a newer provider/market entrant; the level of technical experience in providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #005; or any other information that would aid the Office in assessing whether Applicant is a Responsible Applicant.

Demonstrated Experience* [NOFA 005 - Webster-Calhoun - Demonstrated Experience.pdf](#)

References

Name	Brian Johnson
Telephone Number	515-359-2235
Reference Letter #1	Brian Johnson - Reference Letter.pdf
Name	Bradley Lane
Telephone Number	515-352-3333
Reference Letter #2	Security Savings Bank - Bradley Lane - Reference Letter.pdf
Name	

Telephone Number

Reference Letter #3

Broadband Grants Core Application - Exhibits B, C, D, and D.1

Applicant requests that the contents of their application remain confidential in whole or in part, pursuant to Section 1.25 of the NOFA #005.

DISCLAIMER: An applicant requesting confidential treatment of portions of an application must attach a redacted public copy of the application. If the applicant fails to attach a redacted public copy pursuant to Section 1.25.1.5 of the NOFA #005, the Office shall be relieved from any responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of the application pursuant to 1.25.5 of the NOFA #005.

NOTE: Applicants are ONLY required to submit a Public Redacted Copy IF they are requesting confidential treatment with respect to an aspect of their Application. Further, the mere fact that an Applicant submits a Public Redacted Copy (or otherwise requests confidential treatment) does not ensure the aspects of the Application that are redacted (or for which confidential treatment is otherwise sought) will be treated as confidential; the Office will only afford confidential treatment to the extent requests comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of the NOFA #005, and solely to the extent permitted by Iowa Code Chapter 22 and the Office's corresponding fair information practices rules available at 129 IAC 2.

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Overflow Materials Exhibit C

Applicants may provide evidence of need support for their Project by uploading materials through the Iowa Grants System, which materials demonstrate how communities, households, businesses, schools, or hospitals are hindered in their ability to respond to the challenges of COVID-19 due to a lack of at least 25/3 Broadband ("Supplemental Materials of Need"). Such evidence, by way of example only, may include letters signed and endorsed by community officials, including but not limited to the mayor, city administrator, county supervisor, superintendent, hospital administrator, etc.

Supplemental Materials of Need [NOFA 005 - Webster-Calhoun - Support Letters.pdf](#)

Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement - Exhibit E

Exceptions to Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement* [NOFA 005 - Webster-Calhoun - Exhibit E.pdf](#)

Certification, Authorization, and Release of Information - Exhibit F

Certification Letter (Public)* [NOFA 005 - Webster-Calhoun - Exhibit F.pdf](#)

Request for Confidentiality or Form 22 - Exhibit G

Form 22 (Public)* [NOFA 005 - Webster-Calhoun - Exhibit G.pdf](#)

Federal Identification Documentation

DUNS Number* 85373389

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Project Budget

Category	Description	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D)	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D1)	Total Estimated Project Budget (D+D1)	Requested Grant Support %(enter percentage here)	Grant Request (Est. Cost * Request %)
Conduit		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Fiber/Copper	Mainline and Drop Fiber - Materials & Installation (10.52 Mainline Miles)	\$568,926.00	\$372,074.00	\$941,000.00	75.0	\$705,750.00
OSP Engineering		\$90,690.00	\$59,310.00	\$150,000.00	75.0	\$112,500.00
Design Engineering		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00

Construction Mgmt.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Tower	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Antenna	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Boring	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Trenching	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Knifing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Switching Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Routing Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Optical Equipment	FTTP Electronics (CO Electronics and ONT's)	\$58,000.00	\$0.00	\$58,000.00	75.0 \$43,500.00
Customer Premise Equipment		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Other		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 \$0.00
Totals		\$717,616.00	\$431,384.00	\$1,149,000.00	\$861,750.00

Minority Impact Statement

Does the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique **positive impact** on minority persons? *

Yes

Describe the positive impact expected from this project.

The proposed Fraser Broadband Expansion will positively impact minority persons by enhancing broadband speeds in unserved areas of Boone County.

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

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Boone County has a 3.4% minority population. These populations of individuals within the grant area will benefit as a result of the fiber broadband infrastructure. The proposed project will eliminate any disadvantage resulting from lack of access to reliable, high-speed broadband.

Indicate the group(s) positively impacted.

Women, Persons with a Disability, African Americans, Latinos, Asians or Pacific Islanders, American Indians, Alaskan Native Americans

Could the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique **negative impact** on minority persons? *

No

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

Yes

* General Manager Title Daryl First Name Carlson Last Name

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