

STATE OF IOWA

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## Addendum # 4 to NOFA #002

Pursuant to Section 1.9 of the NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY #002 ("NOFA"): "The Office reserves the right to amend this NOFA at any time. In the event the Office decides to amend, add to, or delete any part of this NOFA, a written amendment will be attached to the NOFA as an addendum, and posted at <a href="https://ocio.iowa.gov/broadband">https://ocio.iowa.gov/broadband</a>. In the event an amendment occurs after the submission deadline is closed, the Office will email the written amendment to each Applicant's Authorized Contact."

## Amendment #4:

1. Section 1.7 (Schedule of Important Dates) of NOFA #002 established an Application Acceptance Window and Application Due date of 10/18/2019, 5:00 PM CDT ("Application Deadline"). In the week leading up to Application Deadline, the Office received reports that some Applicants experienced technical difficulties with the <a href="Iowa Grants">Iowa Grants</a> system and Core Application that made it difficult to complete and submit Applications. The Office verified that the <a href="Iowa Grants">Iowa Grants</a> system did experience numerous technical issues resulting in maintenance, downtime, and technical difficulties during this time period.

Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 8B.11(4)(a) "The office shall award grants on a competitive basis." See also NOFA Section 1.10 (Open Competition). In light of the fact that ensuring Awards are made as a result of a truly competitive process is a core objective of the Program, the Office has determined it is not in the best interests of the Office, the Program, or the State of Iowa to exclude Applications due to technical issues involving the <u>Iowa Grants</u> system or Core Application. Accordingly, through this Addendum, the Office hereby amends and extends the Application Deadline for NOFA #002 to <u>October 22, 2019, 5:00 PM CDT</u>.

If you are an Applicant that was unable to submit an Application by the previous October 18, 2019, Application Deadline due to technical issues; or that submitted an Application in an effort to meet the previous October 18, 2019 Application Deadline that was materially incomplete due to technical issues, you now have until no later than October 22, 2019, 5:00 PM CDT to submit a fully and properly filled out and complete Application, which Application must include any/all required forms or attachments in accordance with the terms, conditions, and requirements of NOFA #002.

If you already submitted an Application and would like to amend or modify your Application in light of the extended Application Deadline due to technical issues, please email ociogrants@iowa.gov requesting that we re-release your Application to allow you to continue to edit/modify your Application. We will work with you to ensure you are able to do so. Please identify in your request your Application ID, title of the Application, and the Applicant organization name.