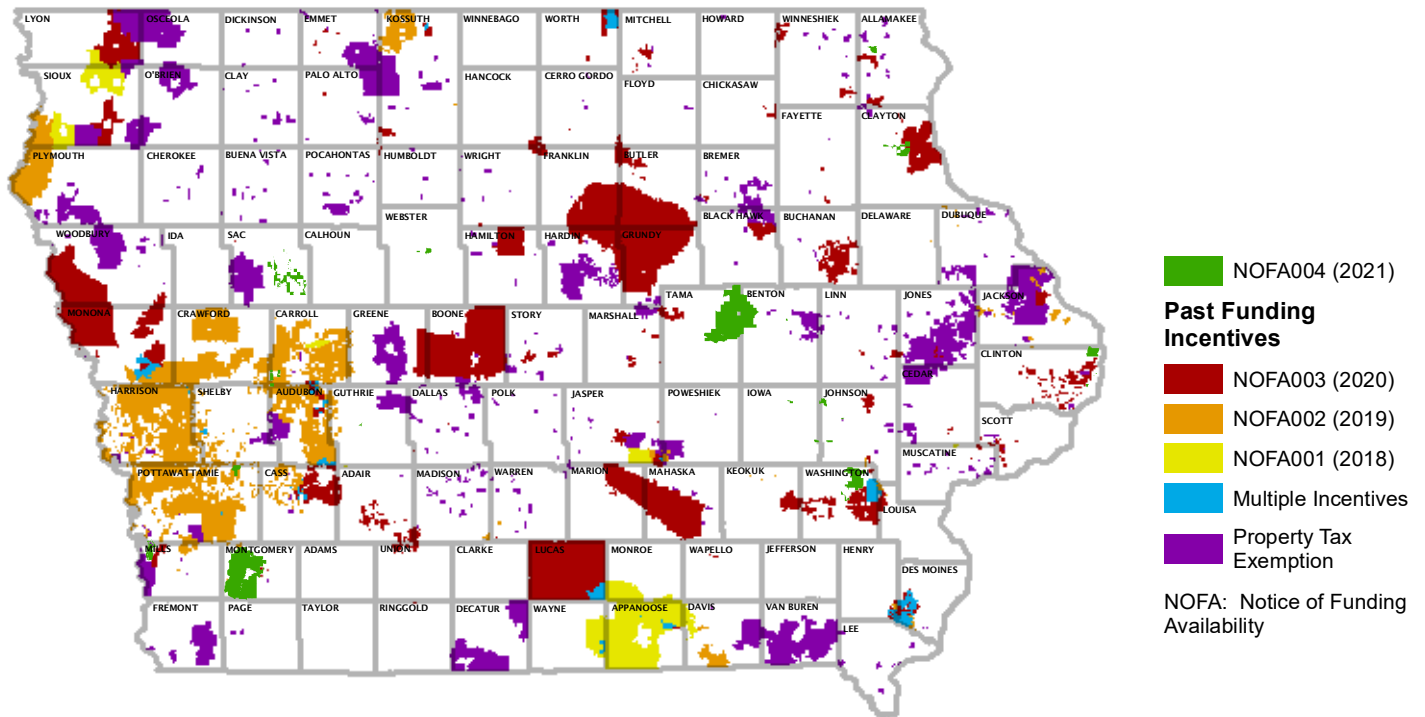


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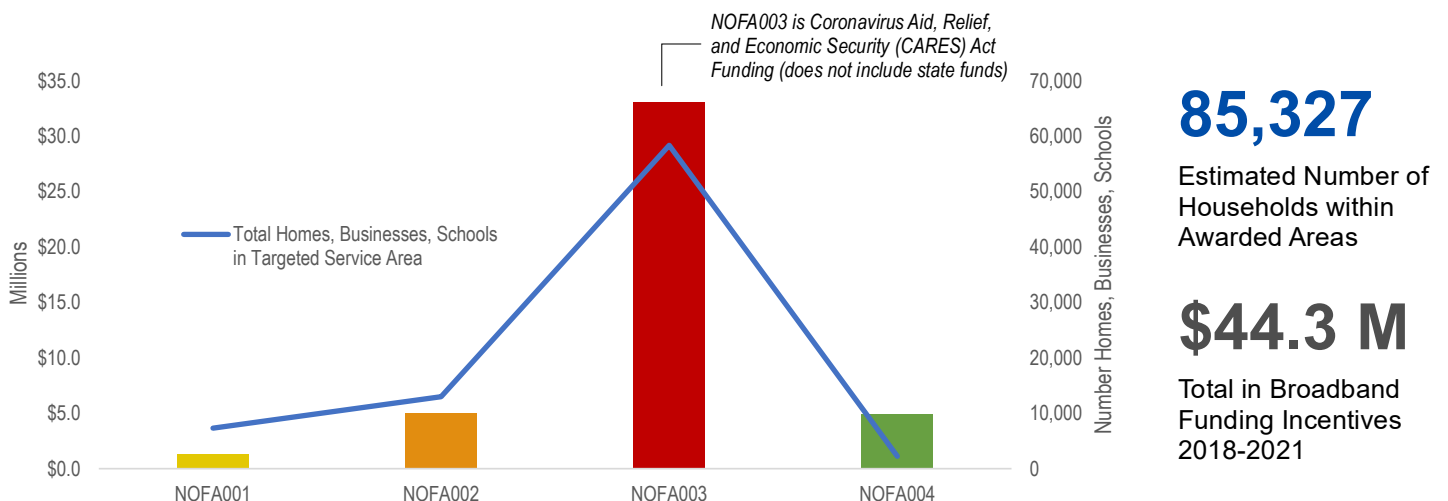
The Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) administers the Broadband Grants Program and the Broadband Property Tax Exemption Certification Program, which provides incentives to increase access to high-speed internet services in Iowa's underserved and unserved areas. Iowa Code chapter 8B, as amended by 2020 Iowa Acts, chapter [1078](#), requires the OCIO to determine broadband availability by census block and determine [targeted service areas](#) as the basis for prioritizing and awarding funds to service providers for installing broadband infrastructure. Grant opportunities were made available through the [Empower Rural Iowa](#) initiative.

Areas Receiving Broadband Funding Incentives — 2018-2021



Note: Broadband is defined as 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload speeds or better (25/3). Broadband availability is reported by census block from service providers as required through the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 477 survey and Connected Nation. Data may be missing or incomplete. A block may have lower speeds available.

Funding and Number of Homes, Businesses, and Schools Impacted by Incentive — 2018-2021



To view an interactive map of awards, [click here](#).

Sources: Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer, Broadband Availability Map Version 3 (October 23, 2020)
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