
BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2019

Fiscal Services Division

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Broadband Grants — RIIF

Purpose and History

This appropriation supports broadband grants outlined in Iowa Code section [8B.11](#). The grant program was established in 2015 Iowa Acts, chapter [120](#) (Community Development and Infrastructure — Wireless Communications, Reinvestment District Access Act). The process for awarding grants is competitive and established in Code. Criteria for grant awards include existing broadband availability, the percentage of potential area users that will be affected, the economic impact of the broadband expansion, the project budget, the match provided, and other criteria deemed relevant.

The State share of the project may not exceed 15.0% of the communication service provider's total project cost. Grants for this Program shall not be awarded on or after July 1, 2020.

Funding — State General Fund

The General Assembly appropriated \$1.3 million from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund in FY 2019. This is the first year that the program was funded.

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code section [8B.11](#)

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More Information

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