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# Funding Amount: **\$1.02 billion**

## PREREGISTRATION

## **Program Details**

**Program Name:** Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD) **Administrator:** Arkansas State Broadband Office

## Key Dates

- July 8, 2024 preregistration portal open for submissions
- September 27, 2024 preregistration portal closes (subject to change due to AR BEAD timeline)

## **Eligible Applicants**

- Cooperatives
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Private Companies
- Public or Private Utilities
- Public Utility Districts
- Local Governments

### **Prequalification Requirements**

- Compliance and other required Certifications
- Applicant Qualifications (Financial, Managerial, Technical, Organizational and Regulatory)
- Deployment and Service Committments
- Attestations

## **Application Process**

- Submit preregistration materials via <u>AR's BEAD preregistration portal</u>
  - Templates and supporting documents can be found via the link above

#### **Links & Contacts**

- <u>AR BEAD preregistration portal</u>
- AR BEAD preregistration guide and FAQ (See Appendix A at page 17)
- AR Broadband Office
- Program Questions: <u>broadband@arkansas.gov</u>
- Technical Assistance Questions: <u>Arkansas Grants Program Helpdesk</u>



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- Effective Grant Writing
- A Track Record of Success

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