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Funding Amount: \$1.04 billion

PREQUALIFICATION

Program Details

Program Name: Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD)

Administrator: Illinois Office of Broadband

Match Requirement: Minimum 25% of the total project cost

Key Dates

- June 17, 2024 Prequalification portal opens for submissions
- July 9, 2024 Priority Review Deadline (for those wanting early feedback)
- July 23, 2024 Regular Review Deadline

Eligible Applicants

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

Eligible Areas

Will be pre-determined by IOB based on Challenge Process results

Prequalification Requirements

- Financial Capability
- Management Capability
- Technical Capability
- Compliance with Applicable Laws
- Operational Capability
- Ownership
- Stewardship of Other Public Funding

Application Process

- Submit Application materials via IL's Pre-qualification Submission Form
 - All necessary templates and supporting documents can be found via the above link

Links & Contacts

- IL Pre-qualification quidebook
- IL Pre-qualification submission form
- Illinois Office of Broadband
- For questions, <u>broadband@illinois.gov</u>



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- Opportunity Evaluation
- Effective Grant Writing
- A Track Record of Success

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