

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS, RESOURCES, AND WEBINARS NEWSLETTER

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES<br/>AND RESOURCESMarch 22, 2023

### Texas Broadband Development Office's Bringing Online Opportunities to Texas (BOOT) Program

The Texas Broadband Development Office's BOOT program has released its NOFA! Eligible applicants, including political subdivisions of the State and broadband service providers are now eligible to apply for \$200,000-\$4,999,999 grants with no required match for broadband infrastructure projects that are designed to deliver 100 Mbps symmetrical service through last mile connections to unserved or underserved areas. Eligible expenses include the repair, rehabilitation, construction, improvement, and acquisition of real property, equipment (e.g.,devices and office equipment), and facilities (e.g., telecommunications equipment, including infrastructure for backhaul, middle, and last mile networks). Deadline to apply is **May.5, 2023**.

The NOFA can be viewed here!

#### USDA Community Connect Program

The USDA's Community Connect Program grant is now open for FY 2023! This program provides \$100,000-\$5 million grants for incorporated organizations, local governments, and any other legal entity for the construction, acquisition, or leasing of facilities, spectrum, land or buildings used to deploy broadband service for residents, businesses, and essential community facilities, as well as the cost of providing free broadband service to community facilities for two years; 10% of the grant may be used for the improvement, expansion, construction, or acquisition of a community center that provides online access to the public. Eligible project service areas must lack broadband service of 25 Mbps download/3 Mbps upload, and projects must provide service of 100 Mbps/20 Mbps. Match is 15%. The deadline to apply is Jun.20, 2023, 10:59 PM.

For more information and to apply, click <u>here</u>!

#### UTHER RESOURCES

EDA Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program

These Programs provide funding for cities, counties, states, private and public institutes of higher education, and non-profits to build, design, or engineer critical infrastructure and facilities that will help implement regional development strategies and advance bottom-up economic development goals. Awards are \$100,000-\$30 million. Match ranges from 50-80%. For more information and to apply, click <u>here</u>!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mind the Development Gaps to Keep Growth on Track March 30, 10:00 AM Registration Fee: Free To register, click <u>here</u>!

TxCDBG Fair Housing: Overview & Best Practices April 18, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Registration Fee: Free To attend, click <u>here</u>!

Graduate Pathways Hiring Event April 13, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Registration Fee: Free For more information, click <u>here</u>!

Grant Writing, Part 2 April 12, 2:00 PM Registration Fee: Free To register, click<u>here</u>!

