



Funding Amount: \$1.4 billion

PREQUALIFICATION

Program Details

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

Administrator: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA)

Key Dates

- **December 6, 2024 – January 10, 2025** – Prequalification applications accepted
- **January 24, 2025** – Prequalification deadline, extended
- **January 10, 2025 – February 24, 2025** – Application curing period
- **March 11, 2025** – Announcement of prequalification determinations

Eligible Applicants

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

Prequalification Requirements

- Administrative
- Financial Capability
- Management and Organizational Capability
- Compliance with Applicable Laws
- Fair Labor Practices
- Technical Capabilities
- Risk Management

Application Process

- Applicants with existing ADECA Salesforce accounts begin the application by logging in to the portal with existing credentials [here](#)
- Applicants that do not have existing ADECA Salesforce accounts must register for an account and be approved by ADECA before beginning the application

Links & Contacts

- [Alabama BEAD prequalification guide](#)
- [Alabama prequalification checklist](#)
- [Alabama BEAD program](#)
- For additional information contact broadband.fund@adeca.alabama.gov

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