



Funding Amount: \$25 Million

Program Name

ConnectSD Broadband Development Program

Funding Amount

Up to \$25 million from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Key Dates

- **January 5** – Application Period Opens
- **April 3 – Application Period Closes**
- **December 31, 2025** – Project Construction Completed

Eligible Applicants

- All providers across the state

Eligible Areas

- Areas that lack access to at least 100/20 Mbps

Eligible Projects

- Applicants may submit multiple projects with multiple phases
 - Initial phase must be capable of standing on its own
- Projects must meet a minimum of 250/20 Mbps upon completion

Selection Criteria

- Service Speeds Available Upon Project Completion – Max 20 points
- Financial Support and Provider Match – Max 25 points
- Community Interest Level – Max 10 points
- Critical Community Facilities – Max 5 points
- Reservation Lands – Max 5 points
- Project Timelines – Max 15 points

Links & Emails

- [ConnectSD Broadband Development Program](#)
- [ConnectSD Broadband Development Program Application](#)
- [South Dakota State Map](#)
- [NTIA Map](#)
- [FCC Map](#)
- Please submit questions to broadband@state.sd.us

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