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Municipal Clerks: Please forward to your Mayor, Governing Body, and Department Heads.

To assist in providing guidance and information we have created a [COVID-19 resource page](#). We will continue to update the page as we get pertinent information and include announcements in our Daily Updates.

Broadband Grant Programs and Webinar Series

The National Telecommunication and Information Administration's (NTIA) BroadbandUSA program will host a series of webinars starting this week on [new broadband infrastructure grant programs](#).

Local governments may be eligible to partner on these grant awards. In advance of the release of Notice of Funding Opportunities, NTIA will host [a webinar series](#) to provide more details about these programs and which projects are eligible for funding.

Funding includes a \$300 million Broadband Infrastructure Deployment Grant program directed to partnerships between a states and municipalities with a fixed broadband services to support broadband infrastructure deployment to areas where broadband is lacking. It also includes a \$285 million Connecting Minority Communities Pilot Program to Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, and Minority-Serving Institutions for the purchase of broadband internet access service, equipment, as well as hiring and training of information technology personnel.

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