United States Department of Agriculture

Rural Utilities Service -Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant



Deadline April 29th, 2024

This program provides grants to encourage and improve telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas through the use of telecommunications, computer networks, and related advanced technologies to be used by students, teachers, medical professionals, and rural residents. Grants are for projects where the benefit is primarily delivered to end users that are not at the same location as the source of the education or healthcare service.

Eligible Use of Funds:

- Audio, video licensing and interactive video equipment whose primary function is interactive distance learning or telemedicine
- Terminal and data terminal equipment
- Computer hardware, network components, and software
- Patient monitoring equipment with interactive capabilities
- Headsets, including virtual reality headsets
- Training simulators, including smart manikins
- Devices that will transmit images to a hub for reading or diagnosis
- Protective items that will be for end-user equipment
- Inside wiring and similar infrastructure that supports DLT services
- Broadband transmission facilities
- Acquire instructional programming
- Acquire technical assistance and instruction for using eligible equipment
- Cybersecurity



KEY DETAILS



Funding Available

\$60 million 20% set aside for SUD/OUD projects



Award Size \$50,000 - \$1,000,000



Cost Share 15% Match on Federal Request



of Awards Approximately 100



Eligible Applicants

- State and local governmental entities
- Federally-recognized Tribes
- Nonprofit organizations
- For-profit businesses
- Consortia of eligible entitites





Link to Program Website