



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## Office of the Governor

Robert F. McDonnell  
Governor

April 30, 2010

The Honorable Larry Strickling, Administrator  
National Telecommunications and Information Administration  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 4898  
Washington, DC 20230

Dear Administrator Strickling:

The Commonwealth of Virginia has demonstrated a strong commitment to invest in affordable broadband services and applications. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding provides the opportunity for outstanding projects to obtain the funding and support necessary to provide services and opportunities to those in unserved/underserved areas and we are grateful to have the opportunity to participate in these programs.

In Round Two, the Commonwealth saw a dramatic decrease in the number of projects submitted for consideration – a total of 45 projects compared to the 137 submitted for Round One. Of these 45, there are a mere 24 projects (across all categories) submitted “by Virginia entities, for Virginia Citizens” – and a number of these are resubmissions (at NTIA’s urging) from Round One.

Upon review, we believe that all 24 proposals (spreadsheet attached), which span all categories – Comprehensive Community Infrastructure (CCI), Public Computing Centers (PCC), and Sustainable Broadband Demand (SBD) – are worthy of funding as each offers a unique opportunity for economic/social opportunities and connectivity options. As such, we believe that each is worthy of full funding by NTIA and respectfully request that you consider our proposal accordingly.

We appreciate the opportunity to weigh-in on the decision making process. Should you need additional information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Karen Jackson, Deputy Secretary of Technology ([Karen.jackson@governor.virginia.gov](mailto:Karen.jackson@governor.virginia.gov)) who serves as the Commonwealth’s point of contact for this initiative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert F. McDonnell".

Robert F. McDonnell

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<u>Applicant/project</u>	<u>Type of App</u>	<u>Applicant state</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>General context of application</u>	<u>grant number</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
<b><u>Comprehensive Community Infrastructure</u></b>						
Bristol Virginia Utilites	CCI	VA	\$ 22,698,010.00	middle-mile (Southwest)	4506	highly recommend
Northern Neck PDC	CCI	VA	\$ 5,018,863.00	middle mile	4991	highly recommend
Vint Hill EDA	CCI	VA	\$ 454,858.00	middle mile	5347	highly recommend
Arlington County Government	CCI	VA	\$ 4,874,791.00	middlemile	5449	highly recommend
Wired Road	CCI	VA	\$ 4,633,549.00	middle mile	5460	highly recommend
King & Queen County	CCI	VA	\$ 39,135,769.00	middle mile	5669	highly recommend
Open Band of VA, LLC	CCI	VA	\$ 4,880,765.00	middle mile-western loudoun	6290	highly recommend
Eastern Shore BB authority	CCI	VA	\$ 10,159,268.00	middle mile - Eastern Shore	6302	highly recommend
AOC-xgen Wireless, LLC	CCI	VA	\$ 10,763,377.00	Page county - middle mile wireless- libraries	6324	highly recommend
Hampton Redevelopment and Housing Authority	CCI	VA	\$ 247,200.00	3 public housing sites	6669	highly recommend
Rockbridge County	CCI	VA	\$ 6,998,869.00	middle mile - rockbridge/lexington	6689	highly recommend
Citizens Telephone Coop	CCI	VA	\$ 10,507,875.00	middle mile - new river valley	6848	highly recommend
Middle Peninsula PDC	CCI	VA	\$ 5,975,615.00	Middle mile - middle peninsula	7233	highly recommend
Mid-Atlantic Broadband Cooperative	CCI	VA	\$ 10,023,247.00	middle mile - Eastern Virginia	7280	highly recommend
<b><u>Public Computing Centers</u></b>						
Longwood University	PCC	VA	\$ 7,131,972.00	17 PCC's in SS/SWVA	4311	highly recommend
Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing	PCC	VA	\$ 2,162,280.00	Norfolk Subsidized housing	4431	highly recommend
Hampton University	PCC	VA	\$ 3,014,015.00	5-PCCs/3 training centers	6597	highly recommend
VA Beach Public Schools	PCC	VA	\$ 12,000,000.00	18 community centers/parent bus - job readiness skills	6611	highly recommend
<b><u>Sustainable Broadband Demand</u></b>						
CIT (multi-partner application)	SBA	VA	\$ 9,645,826.00	Telemed, telework, vulnerable populations	6492	highly recommend
MPT Services (Piece of Cake)	SBA	VA	\$ 12,806,200.00	Seniors	6482	highly recommend
Nationsline	SBA	VA	\$ 480,000.00	Low-income housing DC, MD, VA	6721	highly recommend
UVA-Rectors/Board of Visitors	SBA	VA	\$ 2,680,574.00	Elder care	6726	highly recommend
Riverside Regional Medical Center	SBA	VA	\$ 7,985,755.00	BB distance learning for healthcare	4809	highly recommend
Rappahannock Valley Radio Coop	SBA	VA	\$ 884,349.00	Internet Programming	6892	highly recommend
			\$ 195,163,027.00			