



Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) Quarterly Program Status Report

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I. Introduction and Background

Pursuant to Section 6001(d)(4) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act or Act) (Public Law No. 111-5), the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) provides this quarterly report on the status of the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP or Program).

The Recovery Act provided NTIA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) with \$7.2 billion to expand access to broadband services in the United States. The Act provided \$4.7 billion to NTIA to establish BTOP to increase broadband access and adoption; provide broadband training and support to schools, libraries, healthcare providers, and other organizations; improve broadband access to public safety agencies; and stimulate demand for broadband.¹ The Act also provided RUS with \$2.5 billion to expand access to broadband services in rural America.² The funding provided under the Act is intended to create jobs and stimulate economic growth. The Act further provides funding to NTIA to develop and maintain a comprehensive nationwide inventory map of broadband service capability and availability, and to make the map publicly available via the Internet.

Among other things, the Act requires the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information to provide a status report to Congress every 90 days. NTIA will supplement these reports with informal briefings for members of Congress as well as appearances at Congressional hearings when requested. This quarterly status report reviews developments since NTIA submitted its sixth report in August 2010.³

II. Summary

In the previous six reports submitted to Congress, NTIA outlined the steps taken to launch and execute BTOP in accordance with the Recovery Act's requirements, including:

- Program kickoff in cooperation with other Federal agencies;
- Public outreach to develop Program rules and policies;
- Release of the First and Second Notices of Funds Availability (NOFAs);
- Public workshops to enhance participation by eligible entities;
- Steps to improve NTIA's organizational readiness, including staffing and contracting resources;
- Application review, including independent expert review, state and tribal consultation, and the public notice filing comment period;
- Due diligence review and the award selection process;
- Acceptance and evaluation of 700 MHz Public Safety applications;
- Announcement of awards; and
- Steps to implement comprehensive post-award oversight and compliance.

¹ On August 10, 2010, the President signed into law a bill that rescinded \$302 million in BTOP funding authority, thus reducing the total amount available to approximately \$4.4 billion. *See* Pub. Law No. 111-226.

² Pursuant to the Recovery Act, RUS established the Broadband Initiatives Program (BIP) to provide loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas.

³ Previous BTOP Quarterly Reports are available at <u>http://www2.ntia.doc.gov/ntiareports</u>.

This report focuses on:

- Funding for oversight and monitoring of broadband grants;
- Announcement of the final broadband grant awards;
- A report from the Office of Inspector General;
- Post-award implementation and oversight, including communications, training, and assistance; monitoring; reporting; and environmental compliance; and;
- Award of a BTOP evaluation study contract.

This report also provides an update on the State Broadband Data and Development Program, including awards made and other steps taken to develop a national broadband map.

III. Funding for Oversight and Monitoring of Broadband Grants

As detailed in previous reports and in prior testimony and correspondence to Congress, the Recovery Act did not provide funding for the administration and oversight of BTOP-funded projects beyond September 30, 2010. In the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget to the Congress, the President requested approximately \$23.7 million for administration and oversight of BTOP-funded projects. Such funding is critically important to ensure that NTIA can effectively administer and monitor BTOP grants and to ensure that taxpayer dollars are spent consistent with the Recovery Act's purposes.

Pending final action on final FY 2011 appropriations, on September 30, 2010, Congress adopted a continuing resolution (CR) to fund government operations through December 3, 2010. The CR did not provide additional funding for the administration, oversight, and monitoring of broadband grants. As a result, NTIA has imposed austerity measures affecting all agency operations until funding is secured.

Without adequate FY 2011 funding to manage and oversee the program, there is a significant risk that NTIA cannot guard against waste, fraud, and abuse of Federal funds. Moreover, insufficient funding jeopardizes NTIA's ability to ensure that BTOP projects achieve the economic stimulus benefits intended by the Recovery Act. Recent reports by the Government Accountability Office and U.S. Department of Commerce Office of Inspector General echo these concerns.⁴ Insufficient funding can also jeopardize satisfaction of the statutory requirement that BTOP grants must be substantially complete within two years of award. NTIA is committed to ensuring that recipients meet their commitments, comply with program and federal grants administration rules and requirements (a pre-condition of drawing down grant funds), achieve the purposes established by Congress in the Recovery Act, and use taxpayer dollars appropriately and responsibly, but this can only happen if NTIA receives the necessary resources to oversee the program.

⁴ See U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), Report No. 10-823, Recovery Act – Further Opportunities Exist to Strengthen Oversight of Broadband Stimulus Programs, Aug. 4, 2010, available at:

http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-10-823. See also U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Inspector General, Report No. OIG-11-005-A, Broadband Program Faces Uncertain Funding, and NTIA Needs to Strengthen Its Post-Award Operations, November 4, 2010, available at: http://www.oig.doc.gov/oig/reports/2010/OIG-11-005-A.pdf.

NTIA continues to work with Congress to secure the funding necessary to avoid any interruption or disruption to the broadband grant programs and to other NTIA operations.

IV. BTOP Award Announcements

As of the last quarterly report, NTIA announced grant awards to a total of 112 projects worth approximately \$1.6 billion in Federal grants benefitting nearly every state and territory. On September 27, 2010, U.S. Commerce Secretary Gary Locke announced the final BTOP awards, concluding NTIA's application review and award process prior to the statutory deadline of September 30, 2010.

In total, NTIA invested approximately \$4 billion in 233 projects benefitting every State, territory, and the District of Columbia. These projects include 123 infrastructure projects totaling \$3.5 billion in Federal grant funds to deploy broadband networks; 66 Public Computer Center projects totaling \$201 million in Federal grant funds to provide access to broadband, computer equipment, computer training, job training, and educational resources to the public and specific vulnerable populations; and 44 Sustainable Broadband Adoption projects totaling \$250.7 million in Federal grant funds to support innovative projects that promote broadband demand, especially among vulnerable population groups where broadband technology traditionally has been underutilized. Among these projects, NTIA awarded seven grants totaling approximately \$382 million for projects to deploy interoperable wireless public safety broadband networks. These will serve as a critical set of demonstration projects and a head start on President Obama's commitment to support the development of a nationwide, interoperable public safety wireless broadband network.

Based on estimates provided by grant recipients, the 233 BTOP projects will:

- Fund the construction or upgrade of approximately 120,000 miles of broadband networks using fiber-optics, wireless, and other technologies, including 70,000 miles of new broadband facilities.
- Improve broadband access availability to approximately 24,000 community anchor institutions, including schools, libraries, government offices, health care facilities, and public safety entities. Of these, approximately:
 - o 3,000 are healthcare entities, including hospitals, clinics, and physicians' offices
 - o 5,000 are public safety entities, such as first responders, fire, police, and EMS
 - o 7,000 are K-12 schools
 - 600 are community colleges
 - o 2,000 are libraries
 - 5,000 are government facilities, such as City and County offices, workforce centers, Head Start locations, and other entities providing important benefits to the public
 - o 700 are other institutions of higher education, including public universities
- Deploy middle mile infrastructure in areas with nearly 40 million households and 4 million businesses, many of which will benefit from new or improved broadband service

provided by last-mile providers that are able to utilize the new, open infrastructure to extend or upgrade their service for consumer and business customers.

- Invest in more than 3,500 new or upgraded public computer centers in libraries, schools, community centers and other public locations.
- Invest in more than 35,000 new or upgraded public computer workstations.
- Make public computer center workstations and training available to more than 1 million new users.

These anticipated benefits will be realized over the life of each project, which must be substantially complete within two years and fully complete within three years of the grant award. Detailed descriptions of each award, including the expected benefits, communities impacted, and information about the grant recipients, are available at <u>http://www2.ntia.doc.gov/awards</u>.

V. Office of Inspector General Report

On November 4, 2010, the U.S. Department of Commerce Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued a report entitled *Broadband Program Faces Uncertain Funding, and NTIA Needs to Strengthen Its Post-Award Operations*. The report stated that NTIA has made significant progress in establishing systems to administer and manage grants, but that additional steps should be taken to strengthen post-award oversight.⁵ Importantly, the OIG stated that the uncertainty of Fiscal Year 2011 funding for BTOP administration raised significant concerns about the adequacy of future BTOP oversight. The report highlighted that, without sufficient resources, NTIA will be challenged to monitor awards, the effects of which would be a decreased capability to minimize waste, fraud, and abuse and lessened ability to ensure that grant projects successfully meet program objectives. NTIA responded in writing to the OIG and stated that the agency has already addressed, or will begin to address, each recommendation outlined in the report as thoroughly and efficiently as possible.

VI. Post-Award Implementation and Oversight

Subject to the resolution of funding issues, NTIA is committed to taking all appropriate steps to ensure that BTOP funds are spent in the most efficient, effective, and responsible manner possible. Now that all grants have been awarded, NTIA's primary focus is on the effective monitoring and oversight of awarded projects. To ensure that grant recipients fulfill their commitments, comply with all relevant rules and requirements, and spend every taxpayer dollar wisely, NTIA has developed a robust post-award framework. NTIA will adjust this framework based on the final budget, but it will include a number of concurrent activities addressing technical assistance, communications, monitoring, reporting, and compliance. These efforts will greatly support the grant recipients' ability to implement their projects in conformance with BTOP's statutory, fiscal, and programmatic requirements. At the same time, this framework will enable NTIA to assist grant recipients in mitigating risks while ensuring accountability and transparency.

⁵ These steps include clarifying roles and responsibilities among Department of Commerce agencies, enhancing information technology systems, documenting policies and procedures, bolstering internal controls over professional development, and improving the efficiency of some monitoring activities.

A. Communications, Training, and Assistance

To provide high-quality assistance to recipients and to help ensure that projects commence as rapidly and efficiently as possible, NTIA hosted two Grantee Conferences, the first in Chicago, Illinois on June 23-24, 2010, and the second near Dulles Airport in Virginia on November 9-10, 2010. The conferences included presentations and panel discussions that highlight programmatic keys to success and best practices, and provide guidance and training for awardees so they can implement their projects as quickly as possible and comply with all relevant laws, regulations, and rules governing BTOP-funded awards. Chief Technology Officer for the United States Aneesh Chopra and NTIA Assistant Secretary Larry Strickling provided keynote remarks, the Department of Commerce's Office of Inspector General delivered presentations regarding audits and compliance, and members of BTOP's Environmental Compliance team provided guidance to recipients on completion of environmental requirements. Grantees also met one-on-one with BTOP staff to address questions and concerns.

To further assist grant recipients, NTIA is providing regular support services and a number of important resources, including:

- Publication of 12 new and updated fact sheets that offer guidance and clarification on a number of topics, such as subrecipient/vendor determinations, reporting requirements, indirect cost rates, Davis-Bacon Act (prevailing wage) compliance, and Federal interest requirements.
- Regular communications between Program staff and recipients, including orientation conference calls, one-on-one support, and training "webinars" discussing specific post-award, compliance, and reporting topics.
- Training in award compliance, performance and financial reporting, and environmental requirements.
- Publication of a Grantee Welcome Packet that provides an overview of BTOP, guidance on next steps, and introduces grantees to their assigned Program official.
- Publication of a Recipient Handbook for recipients to understand award requirements and activities during key phases of the grant period of performance, including project start-up, grant administration, and grant close out. The Handbook provides reference materials as well as checklists for recipients to monitor and track their compliance with BTOP requirements.
- An OMB Form A-133 Compliance Supplement and Project Specific Audit Guide to help awardees satisfy governmental audit requirements. NTIA also plans to publish a fact sheet on audit requirements and host a webinar to assist recipients further.
- Deployment of an online workspace and collaboration tool to effectively collect, house, and analyze recipient data and files related to their grants.

B. Monitoring

NTIA's BTOP Post Award Monitoring Plan defines the Program's monitoring approach and outlines the tools NTIA intends to use to monitor the progress of grants effectively. Monitoring activities will routinely assess recipient compliance with grant administration and programmatic requirements and progress against project milestones and intended outcomes. Monitoring

activities include "desk reviews" based upon interviews and information from grantees related to critical start up activities, such as compliance with special award conditions. The desk reviews will help NTIA prioritize its monitoring of recipients and provision of technical assistance. Additional monitoring activities will include site visits, risk assessments, and corrective actions, as necessary. NTIA will vary the level of monitoring based on the risk profile and needs of each project. As described earlier, the levels and frequency of various monitoring activities will depend on availability of budget and staff resources.

C. Reporting

NTIA has developed a comprehensive and rigorous reporting system to collect information from BTOP grantees and assess their progress in achieving the purposes of the Recovery Act. The Recovery Act specifically requires BTOP recipients to file quarterly reports on their use of federal assistance and their progress in fulfilling the objectives for which such funds were granted. To this end, NTIA has developed mandatory quarterly and annual Performance Progress Reports (PPRs) for each category of BTOP project to track progress in achieving the project goals, objectives, and milestones; expenditure of grant funds and the amount of remaining grant funds; and other items. Recipients of infrastructure grants must report, among other things, on network build progress, agreements with broadband wholesalers or last mile providers, percent completion of key milestones, and retail and wholesale services offered. Recipients of Public Computer Center grants must report, among other things, on the number of new and improved public computer centers, the number of new and upgraded workstations available to the public, average users per week, and training provided with BTOP funds. Recipients of Sustainable Broadband Adoption grants must report, among other things, on the size of the target audience for each program, the number of program participants, and the number of new broadband subscriptions achieved through each program. NTIA makes these reports publicly available on NTIA's Web site at www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandgrants. This performance progress information is intended to provide a substantial body of data from which the government and the public can track the success of BTOP in delivering economic and social benefits for the United States.

D. Environmental Compliance

NTIA is responsible for implementing BTOP in a manner that complies with applicable Federal, state, local, tribal, and other environmental and cultural or historic laws, regulations, and policies, most notably the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and the Endangered Species Act (ESA). During NTIA's evaluation of applications for funding, the agency determined the level of NEPA review that would be required for each project, and issued one of the following three determinations for each project awarded a grant:

- A categorical exclusion under applicable DOC regulations, thus completing the environmental review and fulfilling all applicable requirements;
- A Special Award Condition (SAC) requiring the awardee to complete an environmental assessment (EA) under NEPA during the post-award phase, including necessary consultation activities under NHPA or ESA; or
- A SAC for post-award environmental consultation activities only (no EA required).

Of the total 233 BTOP grant awards, NTIA issued 114 categorical exclusions (49 percent) and 119 SACs for post-award environmental compliance activities (51 percent). Grantees have six months to submit their required environmental documentation, which must be completed before beginning a number of project activities. NTIA provides training and technical assistance to recipients to support environmental compliance and monitors recipient progress in meeting specific milestones. NTIA also reviews submitted documentation and works with recipients to finalize environmental requirements so that additional project activities may commence as rapidly as possible. To date, more than half of BTOP grant recipients have completed environmental compliance activities.

VII. BTOP Economic Study

On September 20, 2010, NTIA awarded a contract of almost \$5 million to ASR Analytics, LLC to complete a comprehensive study of the economic and social impacts of BTOP projects. The evaluation will be performed from September 20, 2010 to September 30, 2014. ASR Analytics will develop a sampling method, assessment criteria, and method of analysis, and conduct a thorough assessment of the impact of BTOP grant awards on broadband availability and adoption and in achieving economic and social benefits in areas serviced by the grantees. The study will result in reports and case studies to help inform the government on the economic impact of BTOP grant funding, as well as identify factors influencing performance and impact that can be used to inform future private and/or public sector investments.

VIII. State Broadband Data and Development (SBDD) Program

Section 6001(1) of the Recovery Act requires the Assistant Secretary to develop and maintain a comprehensive, interactive, and searchable nationwide inventory map of existing broadband service capability and availability in the United States that depicts the geographic extent to which broadband service capability is deployed and available throughout each state. The statute further provides that the Assistant Secretary will make the National Broadband Map (Map) accessible by the public on an NTIA web site no later than February 17, 2011. The Recovery Act authorized NTIA to expend up to \$350 million pursuant to the Broadband Data Improvement Act (BDIA), Title I of Public Law No. 110-385, 122 Stat. 4096 (Oct. 10, 2008), for the purposes of developing and maintaining the Map. NTIA established the State Broadband Data and Development (SBDD) grant program to fulfill these purposes.

NTIA completed its award of grants, obligating 56 grants totaling approximately \$293 million to every eligible state, territory and the District of Columbia before September 30, 2010. Funding will support broadband data collection, verification, and integration activities, as well as the efficient and creative use of broadband technology to improve state economies. The total awards include up to five years of state broadband leadership activities eligible under BDIA, funded at approximately \$117 million, and five years of broadband data collection, verification and integration, funded at approximately \$175 million, which will be used in the creation of the National Broadband Map.

State and local broadband leadership efforts vary depending on local needs but may include programs to assist small businesses and community institutions in using technology more effectively, research to investigate barriers to broadband adoption, innovative applications that increase access to government services and information, and state and local task forces to expand broadband access and adoption.

Grants awarded under SBDD also provide funding for recipients to collect, verify, and integrate broadband data every six months for up to five years. As of November 2010, 54 grant recipients have submitted two full data sets depicting broadband availability and speed data, as well as the location and broadband capacity at community anchor institutions in their state. NTIA, in conjunction with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), continues to assess the data, provide feedback, and enhance the data collection, verification, and integration strategies for these data sets.

These data will be integrated, evaluated and used to inform the National Broadband Map, which will publicly display, at a minimum, the geographic areas where broadband service is available; the technology used to provide the service; the speeds of the service; and broadband service availability at public schools, libraries, hospitals, colleges, universities, and public buildings. The Map will also be searchable by address and show the broadband providers offering service in the corresponding census block or street segment. NTIA anticipates offering analytical tools to help consumers, businesses, policymakers, and researchers make further use of this data.

As required by the Recovery Act, NTIA will develop the National Broadband Map and make it accessible to the public no later than February 17, 2011.

IX. Program Milestones

Below is a chart depicting past and upcoming tentative broadband grant milestones. Future dates and activities may change based upon developments or circumstances.

Milestone	<u>Date</u>
First BTOP Request for Information (RFI)	March 12, 2009
Public Comment Period	March 12, 2009 – April 13, 2009
Public Meetings and Field Hearings	March 10, 2009 – March 24, 2009
Release of First BTOP Notice of Funds Availability	July 1, 2009
Release of State Broadband Data and Development Program (SBDD) Notice of Funds Availability	July 1, 2009
BTOP Public Workshops	July 7, 2009 – July 24, 2009
SBDD Online Workshop	July 24, 2009
First Round BTOP/BIP Online Application Portal Opened	July 31, 2009
Contract Issued to Booz Allen Hamilton for Program Development and Administrative Services	August 3, 2009

Milestone	Date
Clarification Issued Regarding SBDD Data Delivery Requirements	August 12, 2009
Announcement of Extension of BTOP Application Closing Deadline for Electronic Applications Pending as of 5 p.m. ET on August 14, 2009	August 13, 2009
Original Deadline for Applications for BTOP and Broadband Mapping Program	August 14, 2009
Deadline for Electronic BTOP Applications Pending as of 5 p.m. ET on August 14, 2009	August 20, 2009
Clarification Issued Regarding Period of Performance for Awards Under SBDD	September 9, 2009
BTOP Initial Public Notice Filing Comment Period	September 28, 2009 – October 28, 2009
First Round State Consultation Comments Due	October 14, 2009
First Round Tribal Consultation Comments Due	October 28, 2009
First SBDD Grants Awarded	October 2009
Second BTOP Request for Information (RFI)	November 10, 2009
Second RFI Public Comment Period	November 10 – 30, 2009
Vice President Biden and Commerce Secretary Gary Locke Announce First BTOP Awards	December 17, 2009
Additional First Round BTOP Award Announcements Continue on Rolling Basis	December 2009 – April 2010
BroadbandMatch.com Launched	January 7, 2010
Second BTOP Notice of Funds Availability Released	January 15, 2010
Second Round BTOP Public Workshops	January 26, 2010 – February 12, 2010
Second Round BTOP Online Application Portal Opens	February 16, 2010
Second Round PCC and SBA Applications Due	March 15, 2010
Second Round CCI Applications Due	March 26, 2010
First SBDD Data Submitted	March 31, 2010
Recipient Quarterly American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Reports Due	April 10, 2010
Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	April 30, 2010
Recipient Quarterly Performance Progress Reports (PPRs) and Financial Reports Due	April 30, 2010
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Second Round Proposed Funded Service Areas Comment Period Closes	May 10, 2010
Announcement of Limited Reopening of Application Window for 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Systems	May 13, 2010
Announcement of Amended and Supplemental Application Window for SBDD Grantees	May 28, 2010
Recipient Quarterly Performance Progress Reports (PPRs) Posted to Web	May 30, 2010
700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Applications Accepted	June 1, 2010 – July 1, 2010
SBDD Spring 2010 Data Collection	June 15, 2010
BTOP Grantee Conference, Chicago, Illinois	June 23 – 24, 2010
SBDD Amended and Supplemental Applications Due	July 1, 2010
President Obama Announces 66 Recovery Act Broadband Awards	July 2, 2010
Recipient Quarterly ARRA Reports Due	July 10, 2010
Second Round BTOP Award Announcements Continue on a Rolling Basis	July – September 2010
BTOP Evaluation Solicitation Opened	July 27, 2010
Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	July 30, 2010
Recipient Quarterly PPRs and Financial Reports Due	July 30, 2010
Recipient Quarterly PPRs Posted to Web	August 29, 2010
BTOP Evaluation Task Order Issued to ASR Analytics, LLC	September 20, 2010
Secretary Locke Announces Final BTOP Awards	September 27, 2010
NTIA Announces Final SBDD Awards	September 27, 2010
SBDD Fall 2010 Data Collection	October 1, 2010
Recipient Quarterly ARRA Reports Due	October 10, 2010
Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	October 30, 2010
Recipient Quarterly PPRs and Financial Reports Due	October 30, 2010
Second BTOP Grantee Conference, Dulles, Virginia	November 9 – 10, 2010
Recipient Quarterly PPRs Posted to Web	November 29, 2010
Recipient Quarterly ARRA Reports Due	January 10, 2011
Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	January 30, 2011
Recipient Quarterly and Annual PPRs and Financial Reports Due	January 30, 2011
Broadband Map Posted to Website	February 17, 2011
Recipient Quarterly and Annual PPRs Posted to Web	March 1, 2011

Milestone	<u>Date</u>
SBDD Spring 2011 Data Collection	April 1, 2011
Recipient Quarterly ARRA Reports Due	April 10, 2011
Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	April 30, 2011
Recipient Quarterly PPRs and Financial Reports Due	April 30, 2011
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Recipient Quarterly and Annual PPRs Posted to Web	March 1, 2013
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Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	July 30, 2013
Recipient Quarterly PPRs and Financial Reports Due	July 30, 2013
Recipient Quarterly PPRs Posted to Web	August 29, 2013
BTOP Projects Fully Complete	September 30, 2013
Recipient Quarterly ARRA Reports Due	October 10, 2013
Recipient ARRA Quarterly Reports Posted to Web	October 30, 2013
Recipient Quarterly PPRs and Financial Reports Due	October 30, 2013
Recipient Quarterly PPRs Posted to Web	November 29, 2013
BTOP Economic Study Complete	September 2014

X. Next Report

NTIA will provide its next quarterly report to Congress no later than February 2011.

XI. Additional Program Materials

Additional program materials are available at <u>http://www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandusa</u>, including press releases, Congressional testimony, Notices of Funds Availability, Requests for Information, Federal Register Notices, fact sheets, answers to frequently-asked-questions, application information and guidelines, and an online database of BTOP applications.

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