



OBAE: GWEP Award Recipients Can Apply for Another One

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State Broadband Office: GWEP Award Recipients May Apply for a Second Grant!



There's good news for awardees that have received state funding under the Grant Writing, Engineering and Planning (GWEP) program--the Office of Broadband Access and Expansion (OBAE) has announced ***any past recipients may apply for another grant.*** The decision comes as state funding remains available to help entities work toward deploying broadband in New Mexico communities.

"This is a great opportunity for entities that are receiving grants to get even more funds to help build high-speed internet in their communities," said OBAE Project manager Eric Rodgers. "We encourage all to apply for these dollars."

OBAE continues to urge Tribal governments, local governments, rural telephone cooperatives and rural electric cooperatives to submit for assistance grants.

Again, you can get a second grant!

Right now, there's \$2.9 million that's still available. These are assistance grants, so entities do not compete for this state funding. Internet Service Providers are not eligible to apply for these GWEP dollars.

The GWEP program grants will be used by awardees for such things as grant writing, engineering and planning. These grants can also be used to attain other grants, like the federal Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) program. Awardees will use the funds to help provide broadband infrastructure, planning services and broadband engineering/design projects.

So far OBAE has approved 21 awards totaling \$2.1 million out of \$5 million available.

To submit for a grant, [CLICK HERE](#).

For more information about GWEP, [CLICK HERE](#).

If you have any questions about GWEP awards, please contact Eric Rodgers, OBAE Project Manager at Eric.rodgers@connect.nm.gov

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