



New York City Stimulus Tracker Pending Funding Requests: Grant Application Tracker

Lead Federal Agency: Department of Commerce / National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Application Submitted by: Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications

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ARRA Funding Source: Broadband Technology Opportunities Program
(Administered by the Department of Commerce / National Telecommunications and Information Administration) – Public Computer Centers category

Funding Source Description: The Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) is a competitive grant program guided by 5 statutory purposes, as outlined in ARRA: a) to provide access to broadband service to consumers residing in unserved areas of the country; b) to provide improved broadband service to consumers residing in underserved areas of the country; c) to provide broadband access, education, awareness, training, equipment, and support to community anchor institutions, organizations serving vulnerable populations, or job creating strategic facilities; d) to improve access to and use of broadband by public safety agencies; and e) to stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

Grant Description: On behalf of the City, and in partnership with a wide array of City agencies and entities, DoITT applied to the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program under the Public Computer Centers category, a program to support the expansion of public computer center capacity. It will be implemented in high-poverty neighborhoods in each of the 5 boroughs.

Grant Amount: \$11,995,051.

Anticipated benefits: Implemented through the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications, NYC public libraries, Department for the Aging, Department of Parks & Recreation, and NYCHA, the PCC program will increase availability of public computer centers, digital literacy training and employment support services in high-need, low-income communities. It will additionally work in concert with the application the City made in the Sustainable Broadband Adoption category through BTOP to boost availability and awareness of services.