



## THIS MONTH IN PENNSYLVANIA

An American Rescue Plan Act [factsheet](#) was released on March 9, 2022. It includes new economic analysis, program data, and [examples](#) of how SLFRF funds are being used by recipient governments.

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) will host a series of pre-Notice of Funding Opportunity technical assistance webinars to help potential applicants understand NTIA's Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act grant programs. You can learn more about the dates, content, and register on [BroadbandUSA's upcoming events page](#).



**Applications are open for the Adult Education Support Program Grants.** The focus of this one-time grant opportunity is on program facilities and resources that are accessible to students and support all program activities, provide up-to-date technology and learning tools, and promote safety, dignity, and respect for students, staff, and the local community. To be considered, complete the application [here](#). The budget form can be accessed [here](#). E-mail [AEGrants@philaworks.org](mailto:AEGrants@philaworks.org) with questions.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE STATEHOUSE

**Gov. Wolf Celebrates Effort to Close Digital Divide in Pennsylvania through Creation of Pennsylvania Broadband Authority | [Office of the Governor](#)**

**Gov. Wolf Applauds Unanimous Passage of Bill to Help Expand High-Speed Broadband Internet in Pennsylvania | [Office of the Governor](#)**





The Rural Broadband Infrastructure Expansion in the Alleghenies project, led by Huntingdon County in partnership with Fulton and Bedford Counties, area wireless Internet providers and regional nonprofit Alleghenies Broadband, Inc., will deploy service in Bedford, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, and Mifflin counties. | [The Leader-Vindicator](#)

The City of Philadelphia released a 5-year digital equity plan and established an executive order dedicated to addressing the digital equity needs of Philadelphia. | [Press release](#)



Centre County receives \$2.3M to fund three projects, including \$975K to Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC (Centre WISP) of State College. Centre WISP will use the funding to expand its high-speed broadband network to include 291 potential service connections by installing a total of 21.6 miles of new fiber. | [Centre Daily Times](#)

Lancaster County could spend millions in federal funds to improve internet access. | [Lancaster Online](#)

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

Next Century Cities is hiring a Program Manager or Director. | [View the job description here](#).

## DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION HAVE NEWS TO SHARE?

We want to hear from you! As part of our NCC's advocacy and awareness efforts in Pennsylvania, we want to elevate testimonials from the communities you serve. [Contact the Next Century Cities team](#) to share your community's story, Pennsylvania news updates, or job opportunities. Let us know how we can support your digital equity work.

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Digitunity partnered with a device refurbisher and ISP to help provide free or low-cost computers, digital literacy training, and technical support to Pittsburgh underserved residents over the next two years. | [Digitunity](#)

Find free or low-cost laptops and computers or donate your used devices through PHL Donate Tech. | [City of Philadelphia Blog Post](#)



The State of Pennsylvania announced the approval of 19 projects totaling \$10M for nongovernmental entities to deploy middle-mile and last-mile high-speed broadband infrastructure to unserved areas through the Unserved High-Speed Broadband Funding Program (UHSB). | [Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development](#)

'Broadband is like air and water and roads.' So how will Pennsylvania spend \$100M earmarked for its infrastructure? | [Technical.ly](#)