

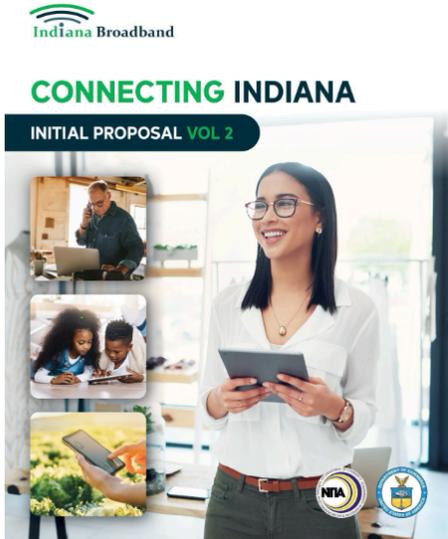


# July 2024 Newsletter - Indiana Broadband Office

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## IBO July Newsletter



### BEAD Volume 2 Approval

The Indiana Broadband Office (IBO) is excited to share that National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) announced the approval of Indiana's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Initial Proposal Volume II.

**This now means Indiana's entire Initial Proposal has been approved.**

### BEAD Pre-Qualification Guidance Document

The IBO has posted the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program pre-qualification guidance document [on our website](#). This is the first step in the subgrantee selection process. Please note that pre-qualification has **NOT** begun yet, this guidance has just been posted so all prospective applicants can be prepared.



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## Digital Equity Competitive Grant



The NTIA recently announced the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the first allocation of the \$1.25 billion Digital Equity Competitive Grant program. Applicants will apply directly to the NTIA to fund digital equity activities that complement Indiana's Digital Equity Capacity grant activities.

The application portal will open in the NTIA Grants Portal on **August 14, 2024** [here](#).

Applications are due on **September 23, 2024**. **The NTIA is hosting a series of webinars each Wednesday and Thursday to assist applicants.** A link to all webinars can be found [here](#). NTIA has also provided a series of forms needed to complete the application that can be downloaded [here](#).

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## NLC Team Joins the IBO

Our team continues to grow as the IBO gets busier! The Next Level Connections (NLC) Team has joined the IBO.

**Rokshana Shireen**  
Broadband Program Director

**Isaiah Lyons**  
Broadband Senior Project Manager

**Lisa Marchino**  
Broadband Project Manager

**Gerald Nwanne**  
Broadband Data Analyst

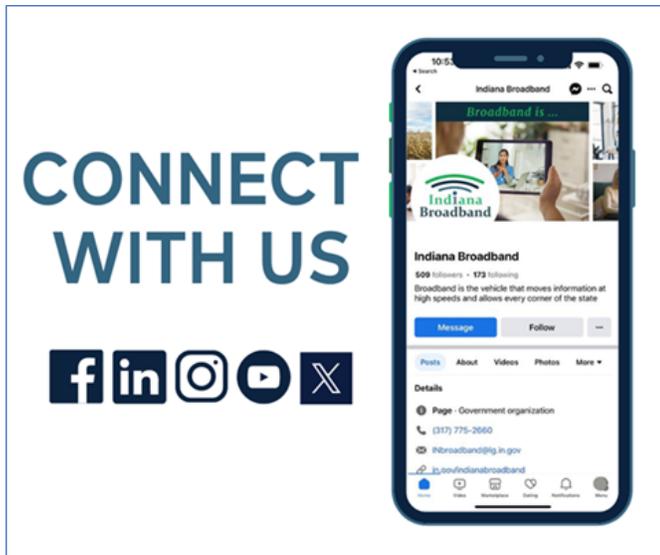
**Jakob Wilson**  
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For any questions regarding the NLC program, please email [nlc@ocra.in.gov](mailto:nlc@ocra.in.gov)

### Let's Connect!



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