

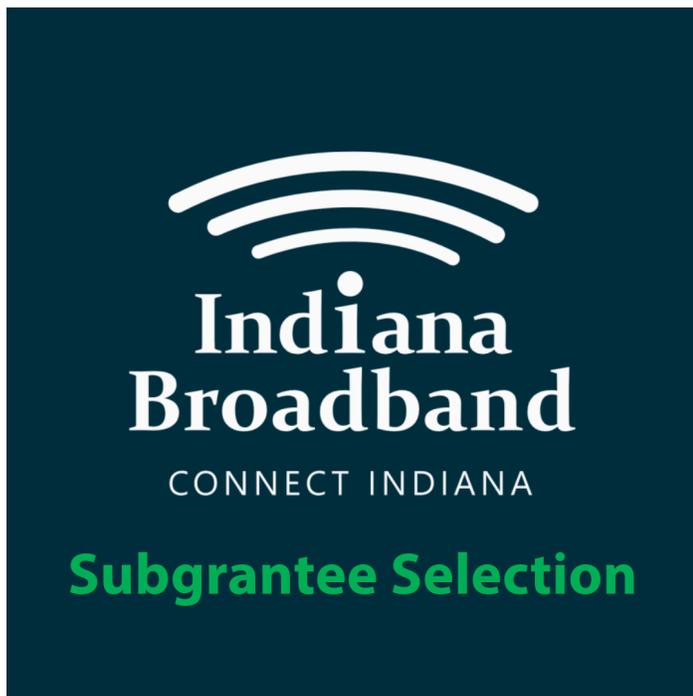


# September 2024 Newsletter - Indiana Broadband Office

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## IBO September Newsletter



September was a busy month for the [Indiana Broadband Office](#). The next phase of the [Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment](#) grant program closed. [Pre-Qualification](#) for BEAD closed on September 27th as the IBO Team carefully reviews each application.

Next steps for BEAD include Subgrantee Selection Process which will begin shortly. Stay tuned!

## Where is IBO?

The IBO did some extensive traveling throughout September. Members of our team traveled to Portland, Oregon for the [State Broadband Leaders Network \(SBLN\)](#). SBLN is a community of practitioners who work on increasing broadband deployment and access at the state level.

Additionally, Chief Broadband Officer Steve Cox attended the [Indiana Rural Broadband Association](#) Leadership Forum. He provided an overview of the Indiana BEAD Program to an audience of key stakeholders.



### Paddleboarding for Charity



Congratulations to the Broadbandits! The IBO participated in the State Employees' Paddle Battle on the Indianapolis Canal. The event was part of the State Employees' Community Campaign (SECC) which encourages members of state agencies to fundraise for local nonprofits.

### Welcome to the Team!

Seth Stegall recently joined the Broadband Office in September as our new communications manager. He will be handling our marketing and outreach efforts. If you see him out and about with the IBO, be sure to give him a warm welcome to the world of broadband.

Outside of the workplace Seth enjoys collecting vinyl records, riding bikes, going for walks, and watching soccer. He is an avid supporter of FC Cincinnati and the US National Team.



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## Next Level Connections



The [Next Level Connections](#) Team (NLC) kept a busy schedule during September. Here are a few updates from NLC:

- The [Indiana Connectivity Program](#) (ICP) II bid evaluation was finalized. Awards should be announced in early October.
- ICP 12 challenge evaluation is in progress.
- The NLC-4 agreement process is ongoing.

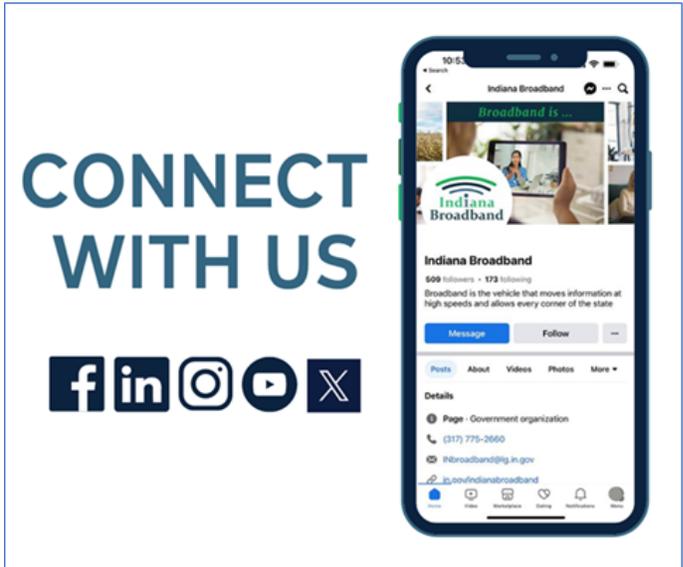
Stay tuned for more updates in the coming months!

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