Illinois Digital Equity Capacity Grant

The goal of the *Illinois Digital Equity Capacity Grant (IDEC)* grant program is to ensure that all people and communities across Illinois have the skills, technology, and capacity needed to reap the full benefits of our digital economy and thrive. Digital equity is a way of prioritizing access and opportunities for groups that have the greatest need and who are most impacted by digital inequities.

How Can the IDEC Grant Impact You?

- The IDEC Grant Program will allow eligible organizations to apply for funding to support digital equity initiatives for vulnerable community members.
- IDEC awards between $30,000 and $300,000 annually for a three year term.
- Projects must serve one or more of the eight Covered Populations specified by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).

The Illinois Office of Broadband Can Help!

The Illinois Office of Broadband can answer questions and provide capacity building workshops upon request.
E-mail **broadband@illinois.gov** or visit **https://bit.ly/IDECgrant** for more information.

Who is Eligible to Apply?

- Nonprofit Organizations
- Community Organizations
- Public Libraries
- Educational Agencies
- Local Governments
- and More!

What Types of Programs?

- Device Distribution Programs
- Digital Literacy & Skills Training
- Digital Navigation & Tech Support
- Community Tech Centers and Computer Labs
- Community Broadband Planning

When Can I Apply?

- IDEC will have two rolling waves of applications
- Wave 1 | February 3-March 20, 5 pm CST
- Wave 2 | March 20-May 8, 5 pm CST

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