



GENERAL INFORMATION

Document Type:	Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	RD-RPIC-2020
Funding Opportunity Title:	Rural Placement Innovation Challenge (RPIC)
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
Opportunity Category Explanation:	
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement
Category of Funding Activity:	Community Development
Category Explanation:	Technical assistance for placemaking (planning and/or implementation) to create places where people want to live, work and play. Funds can be used to help rural communities access planning resources to develop actionable placemaking plans, convene partners, identify community needs, and implement priorities to build rural prosperity. Since broadband access is an essential component to providing this type of assistance, the Agency encourages planning and technical assistance that helps build capacity for rural broadband expansion. Cost Share = 15% matching funds.
Expected Number of Awards:	5
CFDA Number(s):	10.890 -- Rural Development Cooperative Agreement Program
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	Yes
Version:	Synopsis 1
Posted Date:	Aug 10, 2020
Last Updated Date:	Aug 09, 2020
Original Closing Date for Applications:	Sep 10, 2020 Electronic applications must be received through Grants.gov no later than midnight Eastern Time, September 10, 2020, or it will not be considered for funding.
Current Closing Date for Applications:	Sep 10, 2020 Electronic applications must be received through Grants.gov no later than midnight Eastern Time, September 10, 2020, or it will not be considered for funding.
Archive Date:	Oct 10, 2020
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$1,000,000
Award Ceiling:	\$250,000
Award Floor:	\$0

ELIGIBILITY

**Eligible Applicants:** Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

**Additional Information on Eligibility:** Public or private groups, organizations, or institutions that demonstrate experience and expertise in providing placemaking technical assistance to rural communities. Applicants must demonstrate existing and proposed partnerships with public, private, philanthropic, and community partners to provide assistance. Planning must directly benefit cities or towns with 50,000 residents or less.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Agency Name:** Business and Cooperative Programs

**Description:** The Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development is seeking applications from organizations to provide planning and/or implementation technical assistance to rural communities to foster placemaking under the Rural Placemaking Innovation Challenge (RPIC). This funding opportunity will be administered by the USDA Rural Development Innovation Center and is announcing up to \$1,000,000 in competitive cooperative agreement funds in fiscal year (FY) 2020. This funding opportunity lists the information needed to submit an application for the funds and announces that Rural Development (the Agency) is accepting FY 2020 applications to support RPIC. Planning must directly benefit cities or towns with 50,000 residents or less.

**Link to Additional Information:** Rural Placemaking Innovation Challenge Web Site

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