Maryland Broadband Investment Advisory Workgroup
Welcome

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► Mr. Robert O’Conner, CTO, Baltimore County
► Councilmember Henri Gardner, City of Bowie
► Mr. Scott Nicewarner, Administrator, City of Hagerstown
Workgroup Purpose

► Workgroup will advise on DHCD’s Office of Statewide Broadband’s proposed framework for allocating and administering the State’s Broadband Funding - $400 million

► TIMELINE

- Meeting 1 – December 16, 2021: Workgroup Convenes, discuss OSB Overview
- Meeting 2 – Discuss OSB Program Framework, February 2022
- Meeting 3 – Review Final OSB Program Framework and Program Funding, April 2022
Office of Statewide Broadband Responsibilities

► Construction and Access to Infrastructure
  ➢ Ensure that all households have physical access to broadband infrastructure for service

► Equity
  ➢ Ensure that everyone has the financial resources, equipment, and digital skills needed to get online

► Inclusion
  ➢ Ensure that the benefits of the internet and digital technologies are available to everyone
## Total Broadband Funding

| State and CARES Funding - Capital and Operating | FY19 | $2,000,000 |
| FY20 | $9,180,000 |
| FY21 | $2,700,000 |
| **Total Budget** | **$13,880,000** |

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<th>ARPA Funding</th>
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<td>Service Fee Subsidy (1)</td>
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<td>Digital Inclusion Fund (1)</td>
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<td>$97,600,000</td>
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<td>Digital Connectiveness (2)</td>
<td>$23,720,000</td>
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<td>Municipal Broadband (2)</td>
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<td>Additional Funding (2)</td>
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<td>OSB Program Subtotal</td>
<td>$393,500,000</td>
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<td>Digital Literacy Program (3)</td>
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<td>Digital Navigators (3)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Budget</strong></td>
<td><strong>$399,500,000</strong></td>
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(1) ARPA Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
(2) ARPA Capital Projects Funds
(3) Budgeted to UM Extension
## Office of Statewide Broadband Program Status

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<th>Program:</th>
<th>Neighborhood Connect</th>
<th>Connect MD: Network Infrastructure</th>
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| Status:  | - Applications received 12/23/2021  
                 - Completeness Review underway  
                 - $13MM  
                 - $50,000 to $500,000  
                 - 54  
                 - $20,946,852  
                 - $26,340,659 |
| Available Funding: | - Applications received 1/14/2021  
                  - Completeness Review underway  
                  - $97.6MM  
                  - $1MM to 10MM  
                  - 41  
                  - $267,768,264  
                  - $322,963,520 |
<p>| Grant Amount: | | |
| # of Applications: | | |
| Amount Requested: | | |
| Project Totals: | | |</p>
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<th>Program:</th>
<th>Connected Communities (Gap Networks)</th>
<th>Digital Inclusion</th>
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<td>Status:</td>
<td>- Receiving applications until 3/15/2022</td>
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<td>Applicant:</td>
<td>- Local Jurisdiction/Non-Profit</td>
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<td>Available Funding:</td>
<td>- $5MM</td>
<td>- $2MM</td>
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<td>- $25,000 to $250,000</td>
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<td>Required Match:</td>
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<td>Grant Awards:</td>
<td>- May 2022</td>
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<td>Award Method:</td>
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OSB: Program Status cont.
### Maryland Broadband Benefit (MEBB)

**Status:** Ongoing  
**Applicant:** ISP on behalf of subscriber  
**Available Funding:** $45MM  
  - Provides $15/month subsidy for service  
  - Dependent on enrolled households  
**Grant Amount:**  
  - 88,789 households currently receiving subsidy  
  - $13,315,240 encumbered  
  - $1,010,528 expended

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**Results:**
- 88,789 households currently receiving subsidy
- $13,315,240 encumbered
- $1,010,528 expended
Maryland Device Subsidy Program - $30 Million
- Will provide up to a $200 subsidy for the purchase of a computer for low/moderate income households
- Under development – rollout expected in 1st quarter 2022

Municipal Broadband - $45 Million
- Will provide grants to local jurisdictions to retrofit public housing for broadband distribution
- Rollout expected in 2nd quarter 2022

Digital Connectedness - $23.72 Million
- Will provide grants to local jurisdictions to help offset costs associated with difficult to connect homes
- Rollout expected in 2nd quarter 2022
OSB: Other Tasks Underway

- Data Dashboard
  - We are in the process of completing a publically facing data dashboard
    - Cumulative Funding
    - Spending Progress
    - Cumulative Awards
    - MEBB Progress

- Broadband Mapping and Broadband Plan
  - Required by CH74
  - Required for IIJA Broadband Funding
OSB: Data Dashboard

OSB Spending Progress

Applications Received: 151
Applications Approved: 136
Households Assisted: 17K

OSB Spending Progress per County

Expenditures to Date

$0M
$13M
$68M

Expenditure by Fiscal Year

Total OSB Funding: 68.1M

OSB Cumulative Broadband Funding

COUNTY
FY 19 Awards
FY 20 Awards
FY 21 Awards

All
5
48
85

Total Amounts Awarded
FY 19
FY 20
FY 21

NOTES: Awards are inclusive of all broadband infrastructure and expansion projects. In addition, funds allocated to counties for sustainability, feasibility studies, emergency education grants and other programs are included in this data.
WRAP UP:
Discussion
Tasks/Goals for Next Meeting