



A FOUNDATION FOR RURAL SERVICE PROGRAM

# 2021 Community Grant Program

## Funding That Supports Important Projects In Our Community

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) is a nonprofit organization that works in cooperation with NTCA–The Rural Broadband Association to sustain and enhance the quality of life in America by advancing an understanding of rural issues.

The FRS Community Grant Program is offered annually through NTCA members, like us, to support local efforts to build and sustain a high quality of life in rural America.

### The Program supports projects in these categories:

- Business and economic development
- Community development
- Education
- Telecommunications applications

## DO YOU HAVE A COMMUNITY PROJECT THAT NEEDS FUNDING?

We are accepting grant requests from \$250 to \$5,000. Ten percent of the total grant award comes from the NTCA member sponsor:

### APPLYING IS EASY

Grant proposals must contain all of the items listed below. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

#### Your grant proposal must include:

1. Cover letter indicating project leader or person responsible for funds (include all contact information: address, telephone number and project leader email address).
2. Organizational overview (mission of organization, your programs and major activities).
3. General description of project (no more than three to five pages) that includes:
  - a. Problem statement (Why are you doing this project? What is the need within the community?)
  - b. Goals and objectives
  - c. Project activities
  - d. Target population (demographics)
  - e. Listing of other partners in the community (if applicable)
  - f. Estimation of project start and end dates
4. Project budget and amount requested.
  - a. Listing of other funding sources for the project (include financial commitment)
5. W-9 form with a tax ID number and 501c(3) certificate (if applicable).

### PROPOSAL DEADLINE:

#### Send your proposal to:

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / STATE / ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Grants are a one-time only award.*

#### FRS will not fund grants to the following:

- Individuals
- Scholarship programs
- International organizations
- Lobbying and political activities
- Ticketed events
- Capital campaigns
- Infrastructure/building campaigns
- Endowments
- Event sponsorships
- Community food programs
- Loan programs
- Religious-based activities

