



PUBLIC NOTICE

October 6, 2023

The U.S. Department of Commerce - National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has allocated \$37,564,827.53 to American Samoa under the administration of the Department of Commerce (DOC) to administer the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program. The BEAD program is a nation-wide initiative funded through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, which allocates \$42.45 billion to the NTIA for the purposes of expanding high-speed internet access in the United States under the "Internet for All" campaign.

To meet the BEAD Program national objectives, DOC's Broadband Coordination, Opportunities, Redeployment, and Development (BCORD) Office welcomes comments for the document known as the "American Samoa BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 1 Draft". This is the first in a series of documents that detail how the DOC will administer the sub-grant process for the BEAD program.

The document is available online at <https://broadband.as.gov> or <https://doc.as.gov> or by visiting the Department of Commerce, 2nd Floor of the A.P. Lutali Executive Office Building in Utulei. You may also contact the Territorial Broadband Coordinator via phones at (684) 633-5155 or by email at bcord@doc.as.gov

If you have any comments or questions regarding the American Samoa BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 1 Draft, please provide it in writing to our office at the address listed below or the email address bcord@doc.as.gov:

BCORD - Territorial Broadband Coordinator
Subject: BEAD Initial Proposal Vol 1
Email: bcord@doc.as.gov
Office: 684-633-5155

Comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (American Samoa Time) on November 5, 2023 for consideration by the Territorial Broadband Coordinator.

Approved by:

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Director of Commerce