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## Application

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### 380273 - Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa - NOFA #004

### 385863 - High Speed Broadband Extension for Phase 2 of the Anderson Creek Estates Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

**Status:** Submitted  
**Signature:** Tom Richtsmeier  
**Submitted Date:** 2020-11-20 04:41:21  
**Submitted By:** Curtis Dean

### Applicant Information

#### Project Officer

**AnA User Id** CURTISWDEAN@IOWAID  
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**Address:\*** 517 SE 17th Street

**City\*** Grimes Iowa 50111  
City State/Province Postal Code/Zip

**Phone:\*** 515-650-0251  
Phone Ext.

**Program Area of Interest\*** Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa  
**Fax:**  
**Agency**

#### Organization Information

**Organization Name:\*** Vinton Municipal Communications Utility (dba iVinton)  
**Organization Type:\*** Public  
**DUNS:**  
**Organization Website:** www.ivinton.com  
**Address:** 412 1st Ave

**City State/Province Postal Code/Zip** Vinton Iowa 52349  
**Phone:** 319-472-3255  
City State/Province Postal Code/Zip Ext.

**Fax:**  
**Benefactor Vendor Number**

### Cover Sheet-General Information

#### Authorized Official

**Name\*** Tom Richtsmeier  
**Title\*** GM  
**Organization\*** Vinton Municipal Communications Utility  
If you are an individual, please provide your First and Last Name.  
**Address\*** 214 E 2nd Street  
  
**City/State/Zip\*** Vinton Iowa 52349  
City State Zip  
**Telephone Number\*** 319-472-4813  
**E-Mail\*** [generalmanager@vmeu.org](mailto:generalmanager@vmeu.org)

#### Fiscal Officer/Agent

Please enter the "Fiscal Officer" for your Organization.

If you are an individual, please provide your First and Last Name.

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**County(ies) Participating, Involved, or Affected by this Proposal\*** Benton County  
**Congressional District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 1st - Rep. Abby Finkenauer (D)  
Congressional Map  
**Iowa Senate District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 38  
District Map  
**Iowa House District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal\*** 75  
District Map

### Business Organization - NOFA #004

**Business Legal Name\*** Vinton Municipal Communications Utility

#### Mailing Address

**Street \*** 214 East 2nd Street  
**City\*** Vinton  
**State\*** IA  
**Zip\*** 52349

#### Alternate Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)

Alternate Street  
 Alternate City  
 Alternate State  
 Alternate Zip

### Additional Information

Please name and upload file "Application Number - Applicant Name - Business Organization". File can be a PDF or Word Document.

\* [2020 11 20 VMCU Business Organization.pdf](#)

#### Public Redacted Broadband Additional Information

Is the Applicant a Communications Service Provider as defined by Iowa Code chapter 8B, including but not limited to private sector carriers, local governments, utilities, and other entities that provide or intend to provide Broadband service.

**Communication Service Provider\*** Yes

### Executive Project Summary NOFA #004

This section requires an Applicant to summarize, at a high level, its proposed Project, including but not limited to the geographic area in which the Project will occur, the primary deployment model (e.g., wireline versus wireless), and a general overview of how Applicant has/will comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of Iowa Code section 8B.11, Iowa Administrative Code rule 129—22, and this NOFA #004. Name and upload this file "Application Number - Applicant Name - Executive Project Summary". This can be a PDF or Word Document.

**Executive Project Summary\*** [20201122NOFA004VMCUExecutiveProjectSummary.docx](#)

The section requires Applicant to affirm whether or not State funds are necessary for the Project to proceed.

**Are State Funds Necessary for the Project to proceed?\*** No

This section requires an Applicant to describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded.

**Describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded.\***

The project will proceed without State Funds.

## Project Status

Project Milestone	Estimated Completion date	Costs Incurred
OSP / ISP Design Complete	03/01/2021	\$20,000.00
OSP / ISP Contract Bid and Award	04/30/2021	\$7,000.00
Construction Start	08/02/2021	\$0.00
Construction Complete	08/31/2021	\$300,000.00
Service Testing and Turnup	12/30/2022	\$15,000.00
OSP/ISP Contract closeouts - Project Complete	12/30/2022	\$15,000.00

## Demonstrated Experience NOFA #004

This section requires information about Applicant's demonstrated experience in provisioning Broadband across the State of Iowa. Applicant shall include relevant information about their experience that has prepared them to deploy their Project, such as, for example, community partnerships and services; number of years in business; number of years of experience providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #004; if the Applicant is a relatively new provider/market entrant, an explanation of the benefits, if any, of being a newer provider/market entrant; the level of technical experience in providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #004; or any other information that would aid the Office in assessing whether Applicant is a Responsible Applicant.

Demonstrated Experience\* [2020 11 20 VMCU Demonstrated Experience.docx](#)

## References

Name	Michael Barron
Telephone Number	319-472-4154
Reference Letter #1	<a href="#">VMCU NOFA 4 Barron reference .docx</a>
Name	Michele Schoonover
Telephone Number	319-472-6260
Reference Letter #2	<a href="#">VMCU NOFA 4 Schoonover reference.pdf</a>
Name	Kurt Karr
Telephone Number	319-214-3352
Reference Letter #3	<a href="#">MONKEYTHIS VMCU GRANT.docx</a>

## Broadband Grants Core Application - Exhibits B, C, D, and D.1

Applicant requests that the contents of their application remain confidential in whole or in part, pursuant to Section 7.18 of the NOFA #004.

**DISCLAIMER: An applicant requesting confidential treatment of portions of an application must attach a redacted public copy of the application. If the applicant fails to attach a redacted public copy pursuant to Section 7.18.1.5 of the NOFA #004, the Office shall be relieved from any responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of the application pursuant to 7.18.5 of the NOFA #004.**

NOTE: Applicants are ONLY required to submit a Public Redacted Copy IF they are requesting confidential treatment with respect to an aspect of their Application. Further, the mere fact that an Applicant submits a Public Redacted Copy (or otherwise requests confidential treatment) does not ensure the aspects of the Application that are redacted (or for which confidential treatment is otherwise sought) will be treated as confidential; the Office will only afford confidential treatment to the extent requests comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of the NOFA #004, and solely to the extent permitted by Iowa Code Chapter 22 and the Office's corresponding fair information practices rules available at 129 IAC 2.

Full Unredacted Copy\* [CopyofVMCU112020Broadband\\_Grants\\_Core\\_Application\\_NOFA004 1.xlsm](#)

### Public Redacted Copy

This section allows the Applicant to optionally attach three (3) community support documents for the Project, including but not limited to testimonials or letters of support. Please send any additional community support documents to [ociogrants@iowa.gov](mailto:ociogrants@iowa.gov). See NOFA Exhibit C Section 2.6.

Community Support Document 1	<a href="#">VMCU NOFA 4 Schoonover reference.pdf</a>
Community Support Document 2	<a href="#">VMCU Board Minutes 11-10-20.docx</a>
Community Support Document 3	<a href="#">City of Vinton Grant Support Letter.pdf</a>

**Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement - Exhibit E**

Exceptions to Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement\*

[VMCU 112020 signed exhibit\\_e\\_-\\_broadband\\_grants\\_program\\_grant\\_agreement\\_nofa004.pdf](#)

**Certification, Authorization, and Release of Information - Exhibit F**

Certification Letter (Public)\*

[VMCU 112020 signed exhibit\\_f\\_-\\_certification\\_letter\\_nofa\\_004.pdf](#)

**Request for Confidentiality or Form 22 - Exhibit G**

Form 22 (Public)\*

[VMCU 112020 signed exhibit\\_g\\_-\\_request\\_for\\_confidentiality\\_-\\_form\\_22\\_nofa\\_004.pdf](#)

**Project Budget**

Category	Description	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D)	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D1)	Total Estimated Project Budget (D+D1)	Requested Grant Support % (up to 35%)	Grant Request (Est. Cost * Request %)
Conduit	1.25" Mainline Conduit Material Only	\$3,825.00	\$0.00	\$3,825.00	30.0	\$1,147.50
Fiber/Copper	Labor & material for mainline & subscriber fiber cables, access points (handholes), splice closures, ground rods, multi-port service terminals with various tail lengths, demarcation housing, field spl	\$96,750.00	\$0.00	\$96,750.00	30.0	\$29,025.00
OSP Engineering	OSP Design, As Staked Construction Prints, OSP Bill of materials, Request for Proposal process and associated Permits	\$20,425.00	\$0.00	\$20,425.00	30.0	\$6,127.50
Design Engineering	ISP Engineering, Test and Turnup	\$18,200.00	\$0.00	\$18,200.00	30.0	\$5,460.00
Construction Mgmt.	Pre-Construction meeting, Construction oversight, As Built unit verification, periodic inspection, Final closeouts with associated as built map and construction prints	\$30,450.00	\$0.00	\$30,450.00	30.0	\$9,135.00
Tower		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Antenna		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Boring	Labor only to place the mainline 1.25" Conduit	\$86,025.00	\$0.00	\$86,025.00	30.0	\$25,807.50
Trenching		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Knifing	Labor only to place the subscriber 0.75" Conduit	\$67,620.00	\$0.00	\$67,620.00	30.0	\$20,286.00
Aerial Deployment/Make Ready		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Outside Plant		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Switching Equipment		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Routing Equipment		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Optical Equipment	OLT Blade, 4 GPON optics	\$9,938.00	\$0.00	\$9,938.00	30.0	\$2,981.40
Customer Premise Equipment	1:1 ONT and Residential Gateway for 118 subscribers	\$23,836.00	\$0.00	\$23,836.00	30.0	\$7,150.80
Other		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$357,069.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$357,069.00</b>		<b>\$107,120.70</b>

**Minority Impact Statement**

**Question # 1**

1. The proposed grant programs or policies could have a disproportionate or unique POSITIVE IMPACT on minority persons. \*

No

If YES, describe the positive impact expected from this project

Indicate the group(s) positively impacted.

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**Question # 2**

2. The proposed grant project programs or policies could have a disproportionate or unique **NEGATIVE IMPACT** on minority persons. \*

No

If YES, describe the negative impact expected from this project.

If YES, present the rationale for the existence of the proposed program or policy.

If YES, provide evidence of consultation with representatives of the minority groups impacted.

Indicate the group(s) negatively impacted.

**Question # 3**

3. The proposed grant project programs or policies are **NOT EXPECTED TO HAVE A DISPROPORTIONATE OR UNIQUE IMPACT** on minority persons. \*

Yes

If YES, present the rationale for determining no impact.

VMCU services are offered on a non discriminatory basis.

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the information on this form is complete and accurate, to the best of my knowledge. \*

Yes

Name of Person Submitting Certification. \*

Tom Richtsmeier

Title of Person Submitting Certification\*

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