

Louisiana Broadband Grants and Loans 2010

Morehouse: Northeast Louisiana Telephone Co. (USDA)
 Grant: \$4,360,000
 Loan: \$8,120,000
 *Funds will support a fiber-to-the-home system (FTTH) to serve Bonita and Collinston in **Morehouse Parish**.

Nexus Systems, Inc. #2 (USDA)
 Grant: \$724,256
 *The technology will be a combination of microwave and fiber connectivity. Approximately 11,068 people stand to benefit, as do roughly 240 businesses and 47 community institutions.

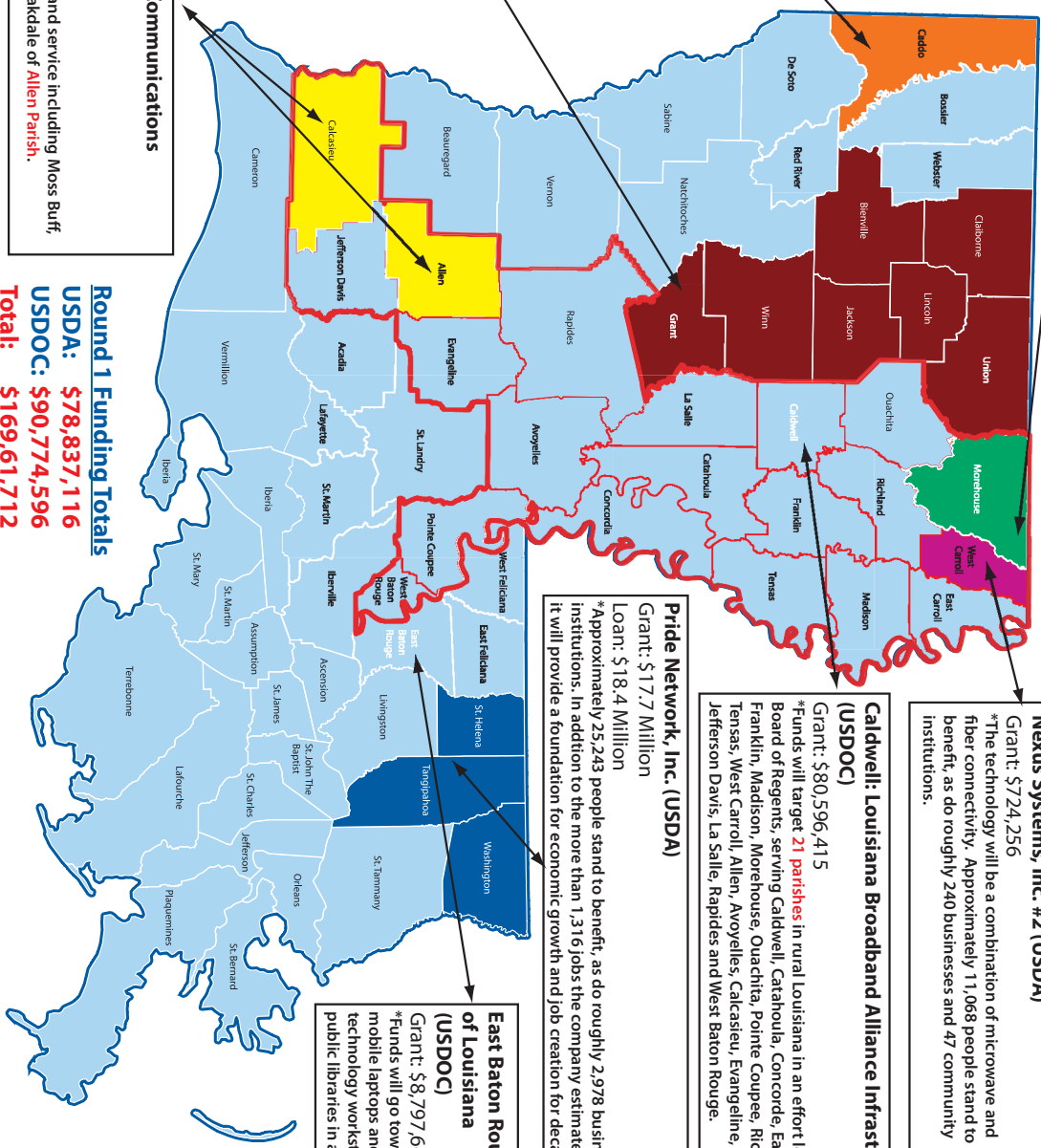
Caldwell: Louisiana Broadband Alliance Infrastructure Project (USDOC)
 Grant: \$80,596,415
 *Funds will target **21 parishes** in rural Louisiana in an effort led by the Board of Regents, serving Caldwell, Catahoula, Concordia, East Carroll, Franklin, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Pointe Coupee, Richland, Tensas, West Carroll, Allen, Avoyelles, Calcasieu, Evangeline, Grant, Jefferson Davis, La Salle, Rapides and West Baton Rouge.

Shreveport: Deaf Action Center of Louisiana (USDOC)
 Grant: \$1,380,000
 *Funds will enhance and create 100 video-conferencing stations to serve the Deaf and hard of hearing **across Louisiana**.

Pride Network, Inc. (USDA)
 Grant: \$17.7 Million
 Loan: \$18.4 Million
 *Approximately 25,243 people stand to benefit, as do roughly 2,978 businesses and 172 community institutions. In addition to the more than 1,316 jobs the company estimates this project will create, it will provide a foundation for economic growth and job creation for decades to come. (USDA)

Nexus System, Inc. #1 (DOC)
 Grant: \$9,163,384
 *The project plans to directly connect as many as 110 community institutions to broadband. As many as 133,000 people stand to benefit as do 1,800 businesses.

East Baton Rouge: State Library of Louisiana (USDOC)
 Grant: \$8,797,668
 *Funds will go towards deploying 704 mobile laptops and 64 assistive technology workstations to the 327 public libraries in all **64 parishes**.



Calcasieu: Cameron Communications (USDA)
 Grant: \$16,691,939
 Loan: \$3,584,680
 *Funds will expand broadband service including Moss Bluff, Vinton therein, as well as Oakdale of **Allen Parish**.

Round 1 Funding Totals
USDA: \$78,837,116
USDOC: \$90,774,596
Total: \$169,611,712