

# CONNECTED & ONLINE PROGRAM

## Overview

The \$28 million Connected & Online Program will distribute up to 27,000 internet-enabled devices and other ancillary equipment to eligible organizations across Massachusetts. The goal of the program is to expand access to education, workforce training and telehealth, through public device lending programs and on-site device stations.

The Massachusetts Broadband Institute (MBI) will purchase all devices and ancillary equipment for the program to be distributed to selected participants. **No direct funds will be provided and no administrative reimbursements will be offered.**



## Timeline

Application Open	<b>Wednesday, September 10</b>
Technical Assistance Session	<b>Wednesday, September 17</b>
Application Closes	<b>Friday, October 3</b>

## Eligible Uses of Funds

The program will support projects that advance education, workforce development and health care access by enabling remote learning, work, and health monitoring. The project must enable activities in all three priority areas to be eligible. Eligible uses of funds include the use of laptops, tablets and desktops to expand broadband access and promote digital literacy and skills training.

## Eligible Applicants

Eligible organizations must be physically located in Massachusetts and **make devices available to the public via on site use or free lending programs.**

Eligible organizations may apply for 30-500 of the following devices, accessories and supporting equipment:

- Laptops, tablets, desktops
- Standard peripherals (mice, keyboards, webcams, docking stations)
- Supportive equipment:
  - Remote patient monitoring kits
  - Assistive-technology hardware/software for individuals with accessibility needs
  - Wi-Fi access points
  - Routers
  - Printers/scanners for public spaces

For more information and eligibility requirements visit:

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