

6. Your local government is taking steps to increase affordability of home broadband service

Checklist (Must meet 1 of 4):

- Your local government has implemented ordinances or processes to increase broadband competition with at least one end goal being reducing household broadband prices.
- Your local government owns a broadband network and creates one or more broadband service tiers that are more affordable than existing offers.
- Your local government offers or sponsors free broadband service for the use of residents within their homes, at speeds sufficient to accomplish tasks such as distance learning or teleworking.
- Local government provides payment assistance for broadband services.

Required Supporting Documentation (Must meet 1 of 2):

1. The local ordinance or document of processes to increase broadband competition with at least one end goal being reducing household broadband prices.
2. Documentation of the municipal broadband network's tier offerings.
3. Materials describing or promoting free broadband service for the use of residents within their homes.
4. Materials describing or promoting payment assistance for broadband services.

The City of Portland Office for Community Technology entered into a sponsored service agreement with Comcast in order to provide free Internet Essentials service from June 2020 until December 2022 for at least 100 households. The City allocated \$19,000 to the project.

As part of the City's CARES Act Technology Kit project, the City gave out 8,429 Internet assistance cards to cover the cost of at least a year of Internet service for low-income BIPOC, people with disability and senior residents.