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TRIBAL BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT				
GENERAL INFORMATION				
GENERAL	Recipient Organization:	Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana	Award Identification Number:	NT22TBC0290020
	Recipient Street Address:	150 Melacon Road	Report Submission Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	05/01/2024
	City, State, Zip Code:	Marksville, LA 71351		
	DUNS/UEI Number:			
	Period of Performance Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	05/01/2022	Period of Performance End Date (MM/DD/YYYY):	04/30/2025
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1	Provide the number of locations or geographic areas at which broadband service was provided using the grant funds. (Please attach associated shapefiles of geographic areas) (600 words or less)			
As of April 15 we are providing 75 houses with internet. We have placed an order for broadband routers with cellular broadband capability to provide internet to an additional 54 homes.				
2	Please describe each service provided with grant funds. (600 words or less)			
We have built a new IT department that includes a helpdesk to provide services to the tribal government and tribal members. We have provided over 130 PCs and laptops to tribal members. Each PC provided under the grant has a copy of Microsoft Office, remote desktop support, and virus protection. We have started an office training program for tribal citizens and employees and have taught at least one Excel class to date, with more to follow.				
3	If applicable, please list subcontractors and describe how they expended funds. (600 words or less)			
N/A				
4	Please describe how the recipient and subrecipient (if applicable) expended the funds. (600 words or less)			
As per the budget, funds have been expended on Payroll, New desktops and laptops, remote desktop support software, Virus protection, Internet routers, and internet service to tribal members.				
5	If applicable, please list each subrecipients that received a subgrant through funding. (600 words or less)			
N/A				
6	Please provide the barriers to broadband use and adoption or broadband infrastructure deployment work that you experienced during the reporting period of this award to date. What steps did you take to address them? (600 words or less)			
The most significant barrier to date has been finding a broadband solution with the specific broadband speeds needed to provide for tribal members in all the different areas. The solution was to provide a cellular wifi 5G router. With this device, we are able to source internet services from ATT, Verizon, or T-Mobile, whichever provider has the best service possible.				
7	Please describe whether or not your organization connected NOFO purpose areas to broadband adoption and use or broadband infrastructure deployment work. (600 words or less)			
Our purpose areas are on adoption and use.				
8	Please describe your project's achieved accomplishments during this reporting period. (600 words or less)			
We Provided over 100 desktops and laptops to tribal elders, updated all their computers with a Microsoft Office copy, and provided each user with virus protection and remote support. Testing was performed on a cellular router to provide broadband to tribal members with the required speeds. An order was placed for 56 new routers with internet supplied by ATT. Plans to order another round will occur before the end of the month. The first excel training class was provided to start our digital equity program.				
9	Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "TBCP Reports Addendum A", please provide an updated count of Households within each of the eligible tribal block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier for the geographic coordinates, and where available, the address(es) associated with each location. Please be sure to select 'Annual Report' checkbox when completing the addendum.			
10	Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "TBCP Reports Addendum B", please provide an updated count of Tribal Businesses within each of the eligible tribal block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier for the geographic coordinates, and where available, the address(es) associated with each location. Please be sure to select 'Annual Report' checkbox when completing the addendum.			
11	Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "TBCP Reports Addendum C", please provide an updated count of Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs) within each of the eligible tribal block groups along with their Location ID that you connected to your network. The locations should match and conform to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric, which is a unique identifier for the geographic coordinates, and where available, the address(es) associated with each location. Please be sure to select 'Annual Report' checkbox when completing the addendum.			
CERTIFICATION	I certify to the best of knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.			
	Typed or printed name and title of Authorized Certifying Official:		Telephone (area code, number and extension):	
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		4/26/2024		

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