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Round Three New NY Broadband Grants Will Accomplish Goal of Statewide Access

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“In the 21st century, broadband is the cornerstone of economic development, education, health care, public safety and virtually every aspect of modern life. For years, we’ve been striving to expand broadband access to rural areas like ours which have traditionally been underserved.

With the news that \$32.6 million in New NY Broadband Round 3 grants are on their way to Western New York, we are realizing the critical goal of achieving access for all New Yorkers. The \$500 million in capital investment that we supported in the 2015-16 budget for this program has been the vehicle for this landmark achievement. When the program launched, just 70 percent of New Yorkers had broadband coverage with some upstate regions having as little as 35 percent coverage. In just three years, that connectivity gap has been closed, thanks to the commitment of the Governor and my legislative colleagues on this issue. This is a victory that will pay immeasurable dividends in the years to come, helping our rural communities to not only survive, but thrive.”

Phase III funding from the New NY Broadband Program will provide grant funding of over \$23 million to Allegany, Cattaraugus and Chautauqua counties.

Allegany County

Clarksville, \$1,787,984

Belfast, \$1,349,732

New Hudson, \$1,137,545

Alma, \$881,787
Caneadea, \$862,449
Rushford, \$840,337
Friendship, \$771,046
Allen, \$674,368
Centerville, \$612,816
Wirt, \$583,594
West Almond, \$512,315
Ward, \$478,491
Birdsall, \$458,653
Total, \$10,951,117

Cattaraugus County

Lyndon, \$1,756,283
Farmersville, \$1,641,461
Franklinville, \$1,544,336
Leon, \$1,211,588
East Otto, \$876, 198
Otto, \$837,040
Humphrey, \$635,851
Freedom, \$627,801
Portville, \$555,289
Dayton, \$535,066
Total, \$10,220,913

Chautauqua County

Charlotte, \$998,191
Harmony, \$420,344
Busti, \$343,861
Ellery, \$313,431
Cherry Creek, \$219,212
Total, \$2,295,039