



## Ohio Revised Code Section 122.4043 Grant awards.

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(A) The broadband expansion program authority shall award program grants under the Ohio residential broadband expansion grant program after reviewing applications sent to the authority by the development services agency. Awards shall be granted after the authority scores applications based on the scoring system under sections 122.4040 and 122.4041 of the Revised Code.

(B) In awarding program grants, the authority shall consider all regulatory obligations under applicable law. The authority may not consider any of the following:

(1) Proposed project conditions that require open access networks or that establish a specific rate, service, or other obligation not specified for the Ohio residential broadband expansion grant program;

(2) Factors that would constrain a broadband provider that receives a grant from offering or providing tier two broadband service in the same manner as the service is offered by broadband providers in other areas of the state without funding from the Ohio residential broadband expansion grant program.

(C) Upon making the program grant awards, the authority shall notify the broadband providers that submitted applications of the award decisions. The authority shall publish the program grant awards on the agency's web site.

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