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## You are invited to join NTIA's BroadbandUSA Practical Broadband Conversations Webinar

**Topic:** American Broadband Initiative: The Administration's Strategy for Promoting Broadband Connectivity

**Date:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019

**Time:** 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. ET

**Overview:** Join BroadbandUSA on March 20, 2019 to learn about the newly launched American Broadband Initiative and Milestones Report, which details the Administration's strategy to expand broadband connectivity across the country. NTIA will provide an overview of the Initiative's goals and will be joined by officials from key Agencies who are contributing to its mission.

### Speakers:

- *Moderator:* Karen Hanson, Manager, Partnerships/Interagency Affairs, NTIA, Department of Commerce
- Kelsey Guyselman, Senior Policy Counsel, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)
- Doug Kinkoph, Associate Administrator, NTIA, Department of Commerce
- Jannine Miller, Senior Advisor for Rural Infrastructure, USDA
- Kate MacGregor, Deputy Chief of Staff, DOI
- Jennie Campbell, Project Manager, Office of Government-wide Policy, Office of Asset and Transportation Management, Real Property Policy Division, General Services Administration

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Who are we?

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), part of the U.S. Department of Commerce, is the principal advisor to the administration on telecommunications and information policy issues. NTIA, through its BroadbandUSA program, works to further the deployment and use of broadband and other technologies across America.

### What does BroadbandUSA do?

BroadbandUSA serves as a trusted and neutral strategic advisor, working with federal, state and local government, community, and industry leaders working to advance **smart community** and **broadband** public-private partnerships designed to attract new employers, create quality jobs, improve educational opportunities, increase health outcomes and advance public safety. Check out <https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov> for more information.

- **Educate.** Arm stakeholders with **solution-neutral guides** and **tools** that help them engage in more effective discussions with broadband partners and providers
- **Convene.** Lead workshops and events to **advance the conversation** and **share lessons learned** regarding broadband connectivity and digital inclusion
- **Assist.** Provide **technical assistance** to stakeholders seeking support for their broadband and smart urban and rural projects

### How can BroadbandUSA help?

BroadbandUSA works in a number of areas to remove barriers to broadband deployment and enhance connectivity through its work on

- **Broadband Interagency Working Group.** NTIA and USDA's Rural Utility Service co-lead BIWG's work to enhance broadband deployment by streamlining federal broadband permitting, enhancing broadband funding information and leveraging federal assets.
- **State Broadband Leaders Network.** SBLN is a community of practitioners who work on state broadband initiatives. **Is your state involved?**
- **Smart City and Smart Ag and Rural.** NTIA works with NIST's Global City's Team Challenge to help lead the Public WiFi and Ag and Rural Superclusters.
- **One-on-One and Group Technical Assistance.** Email us at [broadbandusa@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:broadbandusa@ntia.doc.gov), if you are interested in technical assistance.

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