

FY 2026 Maryland Digital Inclusion & Cross-Sector Funding Opportunities

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Disclaimer

This list is a working compilation intended to support Maryland organizations seeking funding for digital inclusion efforts connected to workforce development, education, health equity, housing, and access to devices and broadband.

Please **verify deadlines, eligibility, and program details** directly with the administering agency. This list may not include all available opportunities.

We welcome your input!

If you know of other relevant funding opportunities or spot updates, please feel free to comment or add them to this document if shared collaboratively.

STATEWIDE OPPORTUNITIES

1. MD-DIG: Digital Inclusion Grant Program

Administered by: Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

Purpose: Funds broadband access, digital literacy training, and digital inclusion initiatives targeting underserved populations

Eligibility: Maryland nonprofits, local governments, and anchor institutions

Status: Recurring program – new round expected in FY 2026

Link: <https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/Broadband/Digital-Inclusion.aspx>

2. MD-GAPS: Connected Communities Grant Program

Administered by: DHCD Office of Statewide Broadband

Purpose: Grants for broadband affordability and adoption initiatives through

community-based networks

Eligibility: Local governments, nonprofits, and anchor institutions

Link: <https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/Broadband/GAP-Network-Grant.aspx>

3. Computer Labs for the Unconnected Program

Administered by: Maryland Office of Statewide Broadband

Purpose: Up to \$65,000 for creating or upgrading computer labs, plus up to \$10,000 for internet service subscriptions

Eligibility: Organizations serving vulnerable populations (veterans, individuals with disabilities, unhoused residents)

Link: <https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/Broadband/Computer-Labs.aspx>

4. NEW: Maryland Digital Equity State Capacity Grant Program

Administered by: Maryland Office of Statewide Broadband (funded via NTIA passthrough)

Purpose: Supports community-driven initiatives aligned with the Maryland Digital Equity Plan, including digital skills training, telehealth, workforce support, and device access

Eligibility: Nonprofits, local agencies, and community partners

Status: Expected to launch 2025 for FY 2026 activities

Link: Monitor <https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/Broadband> for updates

REGIONAL & LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES

5. Baltimore Digital Equity Fund (Round 3 Expected)

Administered by: Baltimore Civic Fund and Mayor's Office of Broadband and Digital Equity

Purpose: Funding for digital literacy programs, IT skills training, and digital creative learning

Eligibility: Baltimore-based nonprofits

Link: <https://civilrights.baltimorecity.gov/BDEF>

6. Anne Arundel County Community Support Grants

Administered by: Anne Arundel County Government

Purpose: Supports nonprofits addressing education access, digital equity, wellness, and inclusion

Eligibility: Nonprofits serving county residents

Link: <https://www.aacounty.org/departments/executive/community-support-grant>

7. Prince George's County Community Development Grants

Administered by: Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development

Purpose: Supports affordable housing, neighborhood development, and related services—including digital access

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations serving county residents

Link:

<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1060/Housing-Community-Development>

RURAL-SPECIFIC OPPORTUNITIES

8. MAERDAF Grants (Rural Maryland Council)

Purpose: Supports rural-serving nonprofits advancing broadband adoption, telehealth, and digital equity

FY 2026 Deadlines:

- Letter of Intent: May 16, 2025
 - Full Application: July 11, 2025
- Link:** <https://rural.maryland.gov/maerdaf/>
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9. RMPIF Grants (Rural Maryland Council)

Purpose: Funds infrastructure and economic development, including broadband and workforce development in rural areas

FY 2026 Deadlines:

- Letter of Intent: May 16, 2025
- Full Application: July 11, 2025
Link: <https://rural.maryland.gov/rmpif/>