The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) is a once-in-a-generation federal funding opportunity that was signed into law in 2021. The IIJA is designed to help modernize America’s physical and digital infrastructure. It is also known as the:
• Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
• Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill (BIB)
• INVEST in America Act
• Jobs Act
• Infrastructure Act

The IIJA authorizes $1.2 trillion for infrastructure spending. $550 billion of that figure must be spent before 2026.

Although “infrastructure” spending includes physical infrastructure like roads and bridges, IIJA funding can also be used for:

**Broadband connectivity**
- The IIJA's centerpiece, the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program, which has $42.5 billion in funds.
- $74 million for rural broadband
- $2.7 billion for digital equity distributed over five years
- $4.5 billion for state broadband with no end date
- $14.2 billion for affordable connectivity with no end date

**Transportation**
- Around $400 billion has been allocated for projects that make the nation's transportation systems safer and more resilient. This includes the digital infrastructure that helps power:
  - Roadways
  - Public transit
  - Passenger and freight rail
  - Airports, ports and waterways

**Cybersecurity**
- IIJA contains funding to address cybersecurity risks and threats to information systems owned or operated by, or on behalf of, state, local, or tribal governments

Learn more about how you can benefit from the IIJA by visiting Verizon's dedicated page.

To apply for IIJA funding, visit grants.gov. There, you can find articles about how to determine eligibility and apply for funds, training videos that walk applicants through the process and grant writing tips. Applicants can also use the mobile app for searching and submitting on the go, as well as their chatbot that can answer the most frequently asked questions.

The White House IIJA Guidebook contains a roadmap for funding available under the law.