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PWB Broadband Program

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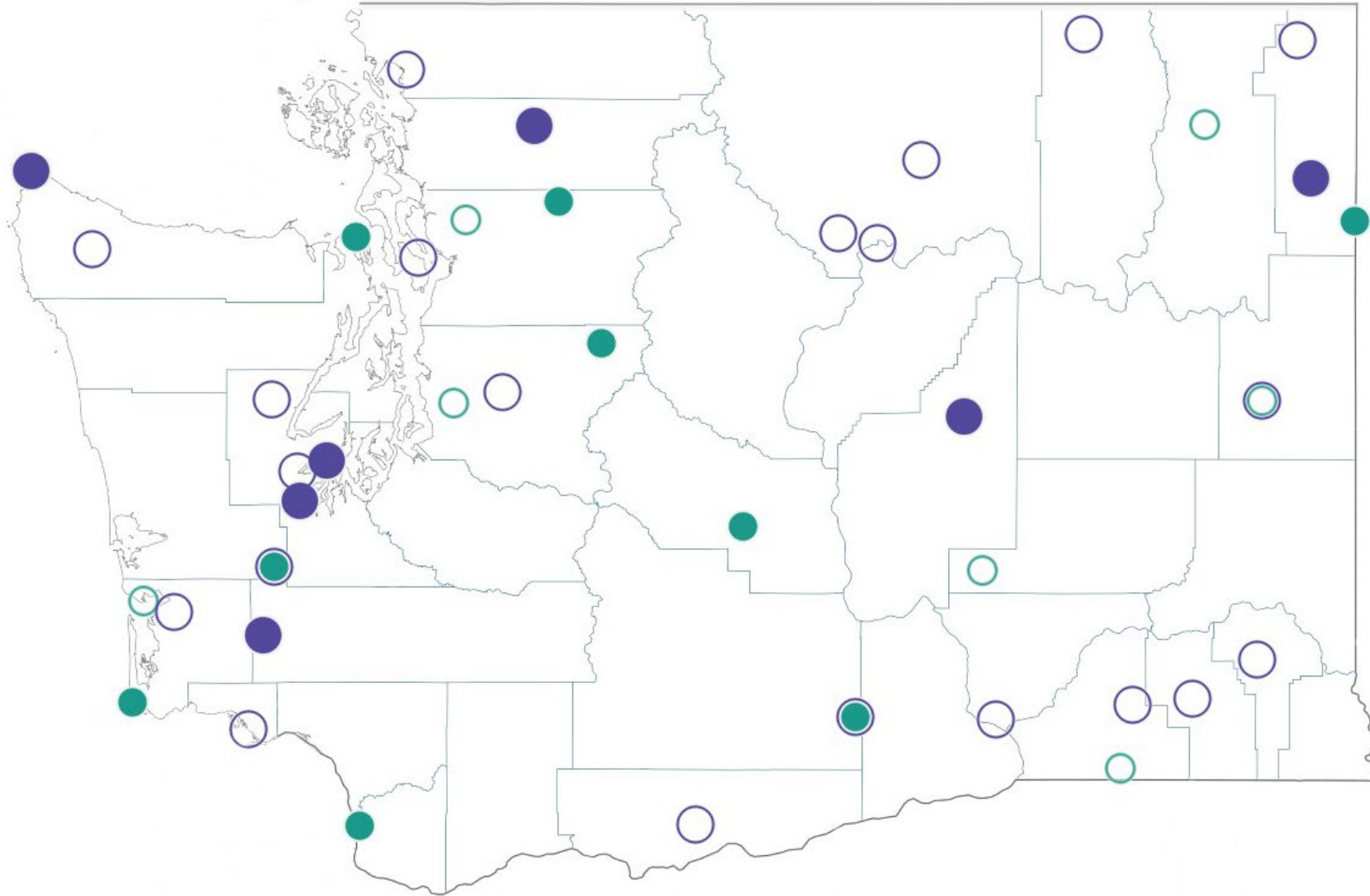
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Community Realities



-  Anchor institution meeting state broadband goals: 1Gbps by 2026
-  Meets state broadband goals: 150Mbps by 2028
-  Underserved: connection speeds below 100Mbps down/20Mbps up
-  Unserved: connection speeds below 25Mbps down/3Mbps up

PWB Broadband Planning and Construction



Planning Grants

- Awarded
- Pipeline

Construction Loans and Grants

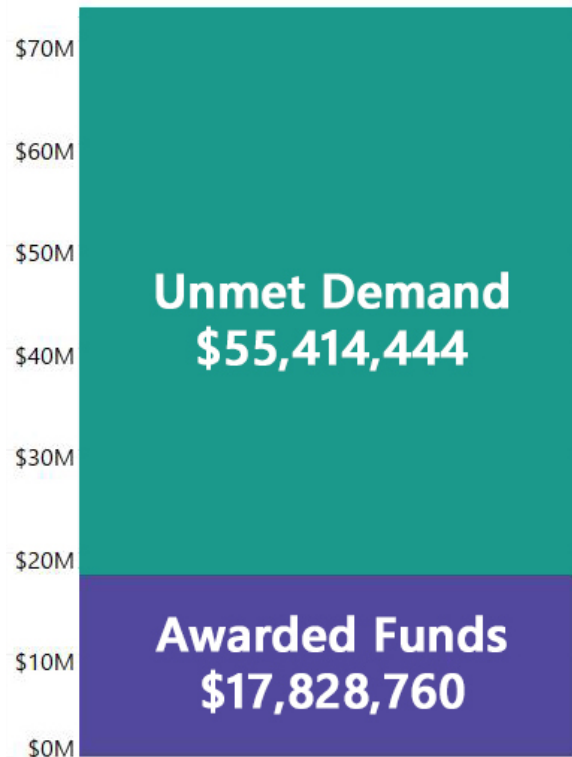
Potential Connections

- Awarded 4,503
- Pipeline 26,101

FY21 Broadband Construction Grants & Loans

Total Requested Funds

\$73,243,204



FY21 Application Cycle

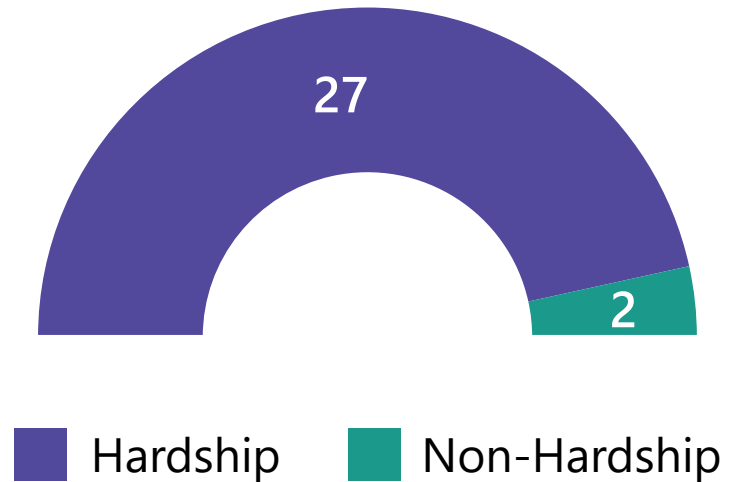
Average Project Cost

\$3,046,878

Average Connection Cost

\$2,393

Applicant Community Status



Broadband Need and Demand

Statewide Need
\$2-3 Billion
(Per the Statewide
Broadband Office)

Assessing Current Demand

- Accessibility
- Affordability
- Funding Options
- Leveraging Opportunities

2020 Construction Cycle
\$73.2 Million Requested
\$17.8 Million Awarded



PWB Broadband Opportunities

Appropriation Request: \$146.4 Million

Anticipated Demand: \$73.2 Million per Cycle

FY21-23 Construction Funding Cycles: Summer 2021 and Summer 2022

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