

# Request for Qualifications Broadband Planning Services

October 1, 2019 before 9:00 A.M.

The Marshall County Commission seeks qualified vendors to conduct a broadband feasibility study. Broadband is high speed Internet that achieves a minimum of 25 Mbps download speed and 3Mbps upload speed. This project is funded through a CDBG grant, under HUD regulations for Planning and Capacity Building, 24 CFR 570.205. The selected firm will be required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246, Section 109 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Conflict of Interest Statement and Access to Records provisions and all other requirements as related to HUD-funded projects. **All project activities must be completed no later than June 30, 2020.**

This project will result in a broadband development plan to support future infrastructure/implementation project(s) with a clear strategy and preliminary funding application(s). The Scope of Work includes: Technical Analysis, Market Analysis, Assessment of Current Use, Connectivity Solutions, Broadband Development Strategies, Preliminary Design and Cost Estimates, Network Operation Options, Technical Broadband Development Plan, Gap Analysis, and Preliminary Infrastructure Application(s). Proposals will be evaluated according to and must include the following: Demonstrated Understanding of Scope of Work; Qualifications and Experience; Approach, Methodology and Timeline for Achieving Scope of Work; Company Resources and Project Team; Relevant Experience; Vendor Qualifications.

Vendors should review the complete RFQ from the Marshall County Commission for instructions and specifications. The complete RFQ is available [www.belomar.org/rfq](http://www.belomar.org/rfq) or by contacting: A.C. Wiethe, Director of Management Services, P.O. Box 2086, Wheeling, West Virginia 26003, (304) 242-1800 or [awiethe@belomar.org](mailto:awiethe@belomar.org)

