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Universal Broadband Fund Application Deadline Approaching

Government of Canada funding applications due in early 2021

In November, the Government of Canada [launched its Universal Broadband Fund \(UBF\)](#)—a major win for rural, remote, and northern communities. This \$1.75 billion fund will help connect communities to high-speed Internet across the country and includes a [\\$150 million Rapid Response Stream](#) to accelerate shovel-ready projects.

In response to the urgent need for broadband expansion, the intake and selection process for the two project streams are on accelerated deadlines:

- ◆ The deadline for the rapid-response stream is **January 15, 2021**. Applications are being accepted and reviewed on an ongoing basis.
- ◆ The deadline for the regular project stream is **February 15, 2021**.

For those interested in applying but unsure where to begin, a detailed application guide is available [online](#), or you can connect directly with a dedicated UBF team at ISED by telephone 1-800-328-6189 or email get-connected@canada.ca.

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