

Technology Opportunities Program

What Is TOP?

TOP is part of NTIA

TOP is not a “technology program”

TOP focuses on the application
of technology to community
needs

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Program Mission

To promote the widespread use and availability of telecommunications and information technologies to serve the public interest

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TOP . . . A Program About Opportunities

New Tools Create Opportunities

Bridging the Digital Divide

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TOP's Strategy

To stimulate innovation through the competition

To support exemplary projects that can serve as national models

To learn from the TOP projects through evaluation

To share what we have learned

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TOP's Values

Community-Driven Solutions

Innovation

Shared Learning

Community Involvement

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TOP's Values

Inclusiveness

Partnerships

Respect for End Users

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TOP Competition - Timeline

Annual Competition

Announced in January

Applications Due in March

Merit-Based Peer Review Process

Application Areas

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Competition Status:

\$12.5 M in FY2000 available for
TOP grants

\$45 M requested for FY2001

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TOP Resources

TOP Update - a quarterly newsletter

TOP's News From the Field - an online newsletter

Reports

Case Study Evaluations

Awards Catalogs & Searchable Database

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