

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

## US Route 30 Middle-Mile Infrastructure Project

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## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)**

**RFP Number: DEV26BOH07**

**The Ohio Department of Development, BroadbandOhio, is requesting proposals for:**

### **Route 30 Middle-Mile Infrastructure Project**

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<b>Proposals Due:</b>	<b>02/02/2026</b>



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## Introduction

The Ohio Department of Development's BroadbandOhio (BOH) office invites proposals from qualified entities to provide a project design to expand broadband middle-mile infrastructure along the US Route 30 Corridor, across the entire state of Ohio. The scope of this project is to build a fiber-based middle-mile network available to service providers, consisting of two fiber paths - eastward from Mansfield to Canton and on to the Ohio border and westward from Mansfield to Lima and on to the Ohio border. The paths will connect a new Point of Presence in Mansfield to the preexisting OARnet backbone network. This includes the construction of all infrastructure, participation in partnerships with major anchor tenants, and redundancy facilitation. Responses to this RFP may be submitted by any entity able to provide the services under the terms and conditions outlined in this RFP.

As a result of this RFP, BBOH plans to award and execute a contract with one Respondent (Successful Respondent) to perform the Services (Contract). If the successful respondent plans to subcontract, they shall propose to BBOH one or more qualified subcontractors to perform the work.

## Background

The US Route 30 Middle-Mile Infrastructure Project was established in House Bill 96 of the 136<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (Am. Sub H.B. 96, page 2,774), which committed \$20 Million to build out commercially available middle mile infrastructure to address the connectivity issues in this area of the state. Interested parties from the US Route 30 Corridor area have met to identify the needs of surrounding communities, with unanimous consensus of there being a need and a desire for the expansion of broadband internet infrastructure in northeast and northwest Ohio. An initial analysis concluded that there is no known existing commercially available middle-mile broadband infrastructure that can meet the growing need for broadband internet along the US Route 30 corridor.

The US Route 30 Corridor spans the entire width of the state of Ohio, passes through 15 counties, and runs near many education centers, healthcare facilities, local government institutions, the 179<sup>th</sup> Cyberspace Wing, and the City of Mansfield Industrial Park. Project stakeholders have expressed varying levels of needs associated with the expansion of infrastructure along US Route 30, including the construction of a point of presence near the 179<sup>th</sup> Cyberspace Wing.

The successful applicant will demonstrate the technical, managerial, and financial capabilities to execute a project of this scale. Applicants will provide detailed timelines, budgets, relevant experience, and provide background on their proposed project execution. All interested respondents should familiarize themselves with BroadbandOhio and the Ohio Department of Development's compliance and monitoring processes.

## Purpose

The purpose of this RFP is to provide BroadbandOhio with an eligible project proposal to expand commercially available middle-mile broadband infrastructure along the entirety of US Route 30 and prioritize the needs of area stakeholders.

## Term of Contract

Once awarded, the term of the Contract will be from the effective date stated in the Contract through 06/30/2027. The State may solely renew this Contract at its discretion for a period of one month. Any further renewals will be by mutual agreement between the Contractor and the State. The cumulative time of all mutual renewals may not exceed two years and each renewal is subject to and contingent upon the discretionary decision of the Ohio General Assembly to appropriate funds for this Contract in each new biennium. The State may renew all or part of this Contract subject to the satisfactory performance of the Contractor and the needs of the Agency.

## Submission

Proposals and supporting documentation must be submitted via OhioBuys for consideration. Any documentation submitted after 1:00 pm on the closure date listed in Ohio Buys will not be accepted.

Please include a completed copy of the Offeror acknowledgements and current agreements disclosure form in the final submission.

OhioBuys training materials can be located at [Supplier Resources](#)

To participate or submit an inquiry for this solicitation, prospective Offerors must be registered via the OhioBuys Supplier Portal. Click the following link to initiate this process [Selling to the State](#)

Should technical support be required during the submission process please contact (614) 466-5090. This is for technical support only and shall not be utilized to submit inquiries related to the solicitation contents.

Note: Chrome is the preferred browser for OhioBuys and having only a single window open and logged in will reduce errors during the submission process.

## Commodity Code

80101600 Project Management

## Special Provisions

### **Subcontractors.**

If an Offeror chooses to incorporate subcontracting to supplement completion of the scope of work, an agreement between the offeror and subcontractor must be included in the offeror's submission or prior to contract award.

### **Travel.**

Any items within the scope of work that may require travel must have this expense incorporated into the associated deliverable and will not be reimbursed.

### **Agency Special Conditions.**

The Department of Development reserves the right to add additional terms to the contract after award, if the Department determines doing so is for the purpose of meeting obligations under state or federal law.

### **Agency Bill To Address.**

This information will be disclosed at contract award.

### **Non-Mandatory Bidders Conference.**

If needed, the time and date of the meeting will be posted in OhioBuys. This will be a virtual meeting.

### **Proposal Submittal.**

Each Offeror must submit a technical proposal and a cost proposal as separate sections of its Proposal before the opening time on the Proposal due date.

Each section must be submitted in its own separate, electronic submission. The submission with the technical proposal will be electronically sealed (the electronic envelope), and the submission with the cost proposal will be separately electronically sealed (the electronic envelope).

Each requirement of a Proposal represents only a part of the total basis for a decision to award the Contract, and a failure by an Offeror to make a required submission or meet a Mandatory Requirement normally will result in a rejection of that Proposal. The value assigned to each requirement is used to determine which Proposal is the most advantageous to the Agency in relation to the other Proposals received. It is not a basis for determining the importance of meeting that requirement.

Offerors must submit their Proposals electronically in OhioBuys before the noted time on the Proposal due date. OhioBuys will not allow submission or modification to a submission after the deadline. An Offeror submitting an electronic Proposal must allow for adequate time for uploading a Proposal prior to the due date and time. Technical difficulties experienced by the Offeror will not be an exception.

Each Offeror must carefully review the requirements of this RFP and the contents of its Proposal. Once opened, Proposals cannot be altered or withdrawn, except as allowed by this RFP.

The Department of Development is not responsible for the accuracy of any information regarding this RFP that was gathered through a source other than the inquiry process described in the RFP.

The Agency may reject any Proposal if the Offeror takes exception to the terms and conditions of this RFP, includes unacceptable assumptions or conditions in its Proposal, fails to comply with the procedure for participating in the RFP process, or fails to meet any requirement of this RFP. The Agency also may reject any Proposal it believes is not in its interest to accept, cancel this RFP, or decide not to award a Contract to any of the Offerors responding to this RFP.

## Offeror Requirements

### **Offeror Experience Requirements**

Candidates must have experience in conducting similar types of broadband infrastructure expansion projects; references must be provided with this submission.  
Reference Exhibit One.

### **Affirmation and Disclosure Form**

Candidates must complete Exhibit Two.

### **Offeror Certification Form**

Candidates must complete Exhibit Three.

### **Highway 30 Route**

Candidates must review Exhibit Four

### **Offeror References**

Candidates must include three references demonstrating their ability to accomplish the Statement of Work criteria.

## Scope of Work

### Services Summary

Successful respondent will submit an eligible project plan to deploy, maintain, and support a long-haul middle mile network spanning the length of US Route 30 in the state of Ohio. The network will include new points of presence for military and higher education stakeholders with details defined below. The applicant will complete all necessary low-level engineering, field engineering, permitting, and construction of the fiber backbone, including points of presence and core network equipment.

Mandatory Components that must be factored into the cost.

As part of the agreement for services, the winning bidder will provide the following:

### Technical Specifications

1. Applicant must propose either:
  - a. The construction of a conduit with interducts that have the capability of holding at least 288 fibers, with the fiber to be installed on an as needed basis; or
  - b. The construction of a conduit with interducts that have the capability of holding at least 288 fibers and the installation of the fiber along the conduit.
  - c. Applicants may propose a different number of fiber lines but must include the reason for the change
2. A point of presence in Mansfield that meets the specifications of the 179<sup>th</sup> Cyberspace Wing
  - a. The successful applicant will work out the details of construction and access post award.
3. Applicants must agree to make the middle mile infrastructure commercially available for a period of at least 20 years.
4. Applicants must include their estimated construction specifications in terms of fiber span distance, the number of fibers installed, construction cost, fiber maintenance cost, and percentage of fiber that is installed underground.
  - a. Construction must accommodate preferable span lengths of up to 80km-200km between electronics.
  - b. The build is intended to be underground along the Route 30 right-of-way
  - c. Applicants can propose aerial deviations where necessary
5. Estimates must include a narrative plan for the feasibility of constructing laterals intended to serve customers along Route 30.
6. Respondents will be awarded points for plans to accommodate fiber construction east along Route 30 to the Ohio-Pennsylvania border towards the Alleghany Center Mall Data Center in Pittsburgh (100 S. Commons , Pittsburgh, PA 15212), and west along Route 30 to the Ohio-Indiana border towards InDigital in Fort Wayne (5312 W. Washington Center Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46818).
  - a. The contract cannot pay for fiber lines outside of the state. This portion of the build will be at the applicant's expense.



7. Applicants may charge market rates for middle mile access, but all rates must be made public and available on the applicant's website.
8. Applicants may not refuse to allow any other company to utilize the middle mile infrastructure based solely on the reason that they are a competitor.
9. Applicants may build additional fiber lines for their own purposes beyond the minimum number agreed to.
  - a. The additional lines are not required to be commercially available, nor are they required to have the same access points as the commercially available fiber.
  - b. The commercially available lines take priority and must be constructed with priority over the other lines.
10. Applicants agree to work with BroadbandOhio and the Route 30 partners on where to locate access points along the line.
  - a. The starting point will be that points of access will be located at all intersections with Route 30 outside of municipal boundaries.
  - b. Appropriate access points within municipal boundaries will be negotiated with the winning applicant.
  - c. Applicants may propose why a specific intersection with Route 30 may not need an access point for the middle mile infrastructure.
11. Applicants are allowed to propose deviations from building along the right-of-way for Route 30.
  - a. Deviations should be submitted as a GIS map with an indication of how the three main points; Mansfield, Lima, and Canton, will all be connected by the route.
  - b. Applicant must provide a detailed explanation as to why the deviation is more advantageous than utilizing the Route 30 corridor.
12. For all longitudinal installations proposed in right of way controlled by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), namely US Route 30 right of way, the applicant shall:
  - a. Coordinate with ODOT to secure all necessary permits through ODOT's epermitting system. <https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/working/permits/row-utility/row-utility>
  - b. Enter into a license agreement with ODOT as per R.C. 5501.311(e) and ODOT P&P 8113
  - c. ODOT shall receive one (i.e. one (01) microduct) as a shared resource along the entirety of the planned route.
  - d. Applicants should ensure that all plans for longitudinal installations within ODOT controlled right of way comply with ODOT location and design standards. ODOT will review and have sole final approval on location and design for installations within its right of way.
  - e. The shared resources under control and use by ODOT will not be subject to OARnet involvement or control.
  - f. Additional terms will be contained in the license agreement.
13. Applicants are not required to provide last mile connectivity along the route. Applicants may propose how they will either facilitate or provide last mile connectivity to locations that are unserved and underserved as per the most recent FCC filing.
14. Applicants may propose different terms for any of these provisions. Any change must be submitted in writing with the application, and an explanation for the change. This includes any changes proposed to the ODOT or OARnet requirements.

15. The reviewing team reserves the right to interview any and all applicants during the scoring process.

### **Ohio Utilization of Fiber**

1. An IRU with OARnet for 24 pairs of fiber for 30 years.
  - a. OARnet will oversee the state's usage of the fiber, which may be for purposes of any Community Anchor Institution (CAI), and will coordinate access with the successful applicant.
  - b. Successful applicant will provide access to their locations to OARnet to be able to use the fiber for state purposes.
  - c. Infrastructure necessary to allow OARnet access, including space, electricity, slack, etc., will be at the applicant's cost.
  - d. Applicant will cover the operations and maintenance on the OARnet fiber lines
2. For the remaining 240 strands, respondents must provide a rate card (MRC and NRC) for fiber usage over 10, 20, and 30 year IRU terms.
3. OARnet will oversee the technical capacity and technical corrections on the route. OARnet will also oversee and coordinate Community Anchor Institution (CAI) usage of the set aside fibers for the state. Reference Exhibit 3.
4. OARnet will provide a technical advisor to oversee the project and be a point of contact for all interested parties
5. The fiber span must serve at least two OARnet facilities along Route 30. OARnet is currently located at:
  - a. Lima Com Net Inc. - 5707 N. West Street, Lima Ohio 45807
  - b. Canton Ark Datacenter - 4726 Hills and Dales Rd, Canton Ohio 44708
  - c. If the applicant cannot connect at these locations, two alternative locations will be coordinated post award

### **Project Management Plan**

1. Applicants must provide a project management plan through which they will collaborate with OAR net technical and Broadband Ohio staff.
2. The plan must include a project to contact staff member, their contact information, and resume.
3. The plan must include at a minimum, monthly virtual meetings to cover updates on project progress.
4. Successful respondents must comply with Broadband Ohio and OAR net quarterly reporting to be prescribed during the grant agreement process.

### **Community Engagement Plan**

1. Applicants must provide a detailed Community Engagement Plan in which the applicant will meet with prospective parties that will benefit from fiber expansion along Route 30.



- a. Include a schedule for engagements either in-person or virtually, meeting with institutions of higher education, K-12, Healthcare, and local governments.
  - b. The plan must include at a minimum a draft schedule of events, an agenda for a town hall style event, and a survey that collects feedback from local stakeholders.
2. The plan must include consultation with other counties about the needs for other points-of-presence along the route
  - a. Other funds may be available to help subsidize the cost of additional points of presence. Coordination will be conducted after the award
  - b. Stakeholder engagement needs to include specific stakeholder engagement for the counties that can access additional funds to construct points of presence.

## Deliverables

Deliverable	Estimated Qty	Estimated Due Date
US Route 30 Middle Mile Infrastructure Project Proposal	1	02/02/2026
Point of presence built to the 179 <sup>th</sup> Cyberspace Wing Specifications	1	02/02/2026
Project Management Plan	1	02/02/2026
Community Engagement Plan	1	02/02/2026
Other Deliverables as Needed	-	02/02/2026

## Scoring Overview

Criteria	Maximum Available Points
Technical Requirements	675 Points
Cost	200 Points
Maximum Available Points	875 Points

## Technical Scoring

The State will score a Proposal by multiplying the score received in each category by its assigned weight and adding all categories together for the Offeror's technical score. Numerical values are defined as follows:

<b>Numerical Rating</b>	<b>Adjective</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response demonstrates an approach to the proposed work with an exceptional solution or level of quality.</li> <li>• Response contains many significant strengths and few minor weaknesses, if any.</li> <li>• There is very little risk that the Offeror would fail to satisfy the requirement(s).</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Very Good</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response demonstrates an approach offering unique or innovative methods of performing the proposed work or delivering a solution.</li> <li>• Response contains many strengths that outweigh the weaknesses. Weaknesses, if any, are very minor and can be readily corrected.</li> <li>• There is little risk that the Offeror would fail to satisfy the requirement(s).</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Acceptable</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response demonstrates an approach that offers an acceptable solution or level of quality.</li> <li>• Response contains strengths that are balanced by the weaknesses. Weaknesses are minor and can be corrected.</li> <li>• There is some probability of risk that the Offeror may fail to satisfy some of the requirement(s).</li> </ul>
<b>2</b>	<b>Weak</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response demonstrates an approach that inadequately addresses the requirements and/or objectives.</li> <li>• Response contains weaknesses that are not offset by strengths. There are significant weaknesses and very few strengths.</li> <li>• There are questions about the likelihood of success and there is a risk that the Offeror may fail to satisfy the requirement(s).</li> </ul>
<b>1</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response demonstrates an approach that does not meet the stated requirements and/or objectives, lacks essential information, is conflicting, and/or is unproductive.</li> <li>• Response contains many significant weaknesses and very minor strengths, if any.</li> <li>• There is not a reasonable likelihood of success and a high risk that the Offeror would fail to satisfy the requirement(s).</li> </ul>
<b>0</b>	<b>Completely Deficient</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response is missing necessary information to demonstrate that the Offeror can perform.</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Response is devoid of strengths.</li><li>• Response has an unacceptable level of risk that the Offeror will fail to satisfy the requirement(s).</li></ul>
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## Technical Proposal Evaluation

Each prospective Offeror shall provide evidence of the following within their proposal.

Offeror Profile	Weight	Rating	Extended Score
Provide a detailed managerial, technical, and financial overview demonstrating the applicant has the qualifications and experience necessary to carry out a project of this nature. Submit Personnel Profiles for each key member of the work team which includes the candidates education, training, qualifications and proposed work assignments	20		
Provide a detailed project management plan demonstrating how the applicant will communicate with the grantee, and provide necessary information required by the grant agreement.	10		
Provide a detailed Community Engagement Plan detailing how the applicant will meet with stakeholders of the Route 30 fiber expansion project.	10		
The applicant has provided draft technical specifications for the project, including fiber span distance, number of fibers installed, feasibility of lateral construction, construction cost, fiber maintenance cost, and percentage of fiber installed underground.	10		
Applicant has provided plans for expansion of fiber lines east to the Ohio-Pennsylvania border towards the Alleghany Center Mall Data Center in Pittsburgh (100 S. Commons, Pittsburgh, PA 15212), and west along Route 30 to the Ohio-Indiana border towards InDigital in Fort Wayne (5312 W. Washington Center Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46818).	5		
<b>Methodology</b>			
Provide examples of previous projects, with references, the proposer has planned and executed (including milestones).	20		
Proposer has clearly explained how it will accomplish the Scope of Work by providing a description of how all the requirements will be implemented.  The proposal shall also include a timeline and proposed milestones	35		
<b>Work Plan</b>			

Provide a detailed proposed budget broken down per event cost.	20		
The Proposer is a certified Minority Business Enterprise as certified through the State of Ohio.	5		

## Cost Proposal Scoring

The Offeror with the lowest proposed cost will receive 200 points. The remaining Offerors will receive a percentage of the maximum cost points available based upon the following formula:

Cost Score = (lowest proposed cost / Offeror's proposed cost) x 200

### Final Scoring

The Offeror with the highest total score will be recommended for the next phase of the evaluation process.

Technical Score: \_\_\_\_ + Cost Score: \_\_\_\_ = Total Score: \_\_\_\_

## Preferences

Following the initial evaluation and scoring, all Proposals will be considered for preferences. Preferences will be calculated at a rate of five percent (5%) for the first preference and two percent (2%) each for the second and third preferences. The preferences shall be combined and applied as a total percentage of the original Proposal to determine the score for evaluation purposes.

Preferences will only be applied if there is at least one Offeror that does not qualify for that particular preference. For purposes of qualifying for a preference, an Offeror failing to complete the certification for each preference will be deemed as not qualifying for that preference.

(a) For the Buy American preference, if any Offeror offers a product that is not a domestic source end product, the State will add the applicable percentage of the total available points to the total score of each Offeror offering a domestic source end product.

(b) For the Buy Ohio preference, if any Offeror is a Buy Ohio Offeror claiming the preference, the State will add the applicable percentage of the total available points to each Buy Ohio Offeror's total score.

(c) If claiming the preferences in (a) and (b) based on the product(s) offered, an Offeror is only eligible to receive the preference if the cost of the product(s) offered exceeds 50% of the total offered

cost for products and services. A Buy Ohio Offeror is also eligible to receive the Buy Ohio preference based on its significant economic presence in Ohio or a border state.

(d) For the Veteran-Friendly Business preference, the State will add the applicable percentage of the total available points to any certified veteran-friendly business Offeror's total score.

## Cost Proposal

Not to Exceed \$6,000,000.00

The Ohio Department of Development's BroadbandOhio seeking a blended hourly rate to be charged for all work completed. Invoices should be submitted every month.

DESCRIPTION	Unit Measure	Hourly Rate
Hourly Rate	Hours	

## Exhibit One

### OFFEROR PRIOR PROJECT EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS FORM

Offeror Name:	Project Name
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The Offeror must have experience successfully completing a project similar in size, scope, and complexity to the Work described in this RFP.

<b>Client Name:</b>	<b>Contact Name:</b> (Indicate Primary or Alternate)  <b>Contact Title:</b>
<b>Client Address:</b>	<b>Contact Phone Number:</b>  <b>Contact Email Address:</b>
	<b>Beginning Date of Project: / Ending Date of Project:</b> Month/Year                      Month/Year
[intentionally left blank]	<b>Type of client (Check One):</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Local  <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> other governmental entity  <input type="checkbox"/> Institution of Higher Education  <input type="checkbox"/> Fortune 500 <input type="checkbox"/> Global Fortune 500  <input type="checkbox"/> Other:



<p><b>Describe how the project identified above shows the Offeror's experience, capability, and capacity to meet the requirements and achieve the milestones for this RFP.</b></p>	



## Exhibit Two

### **AFFIRMATION AND DISCLOSURE FORM**

The current version of the Affirmation and Disclosure Form is available at:

[https://dam.assets.ohio.gov/image/upload/procure.ohio.gov/pdf/StateLocalAgencies/Resources\\_Forms/Affirmation\\_and\\_Disclosure\\_Form\\_5-20-24\\_fillable\\_form.pdf](https://dam.assets.ohio.gov/image/upload/procure.ohio.gov/pdf/StateLocalAgencies/Resources_Forms/Affirmation_and_Disclosure_Form_5-20-24_fillable_form.pdf)

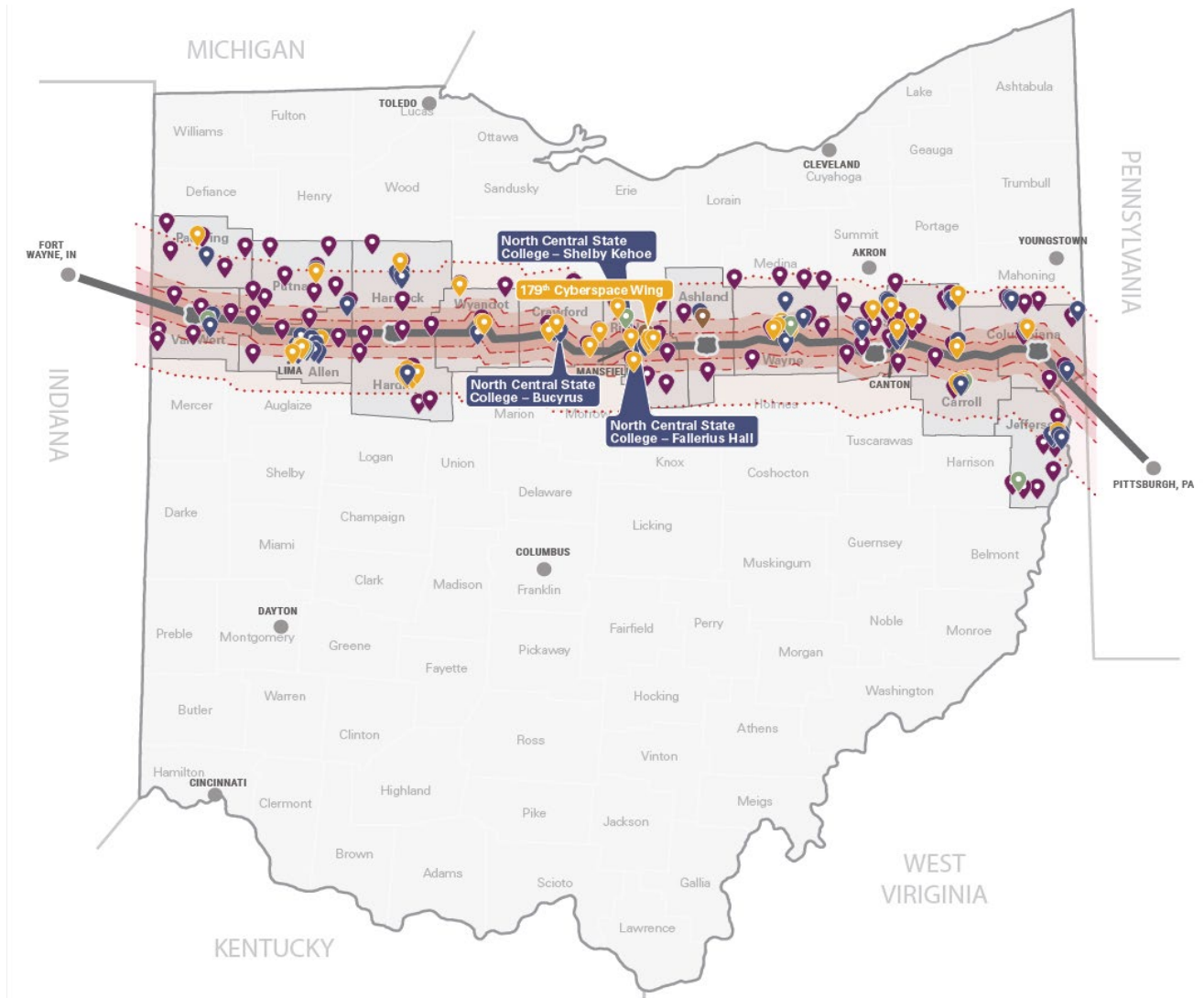
## Exhibit Three

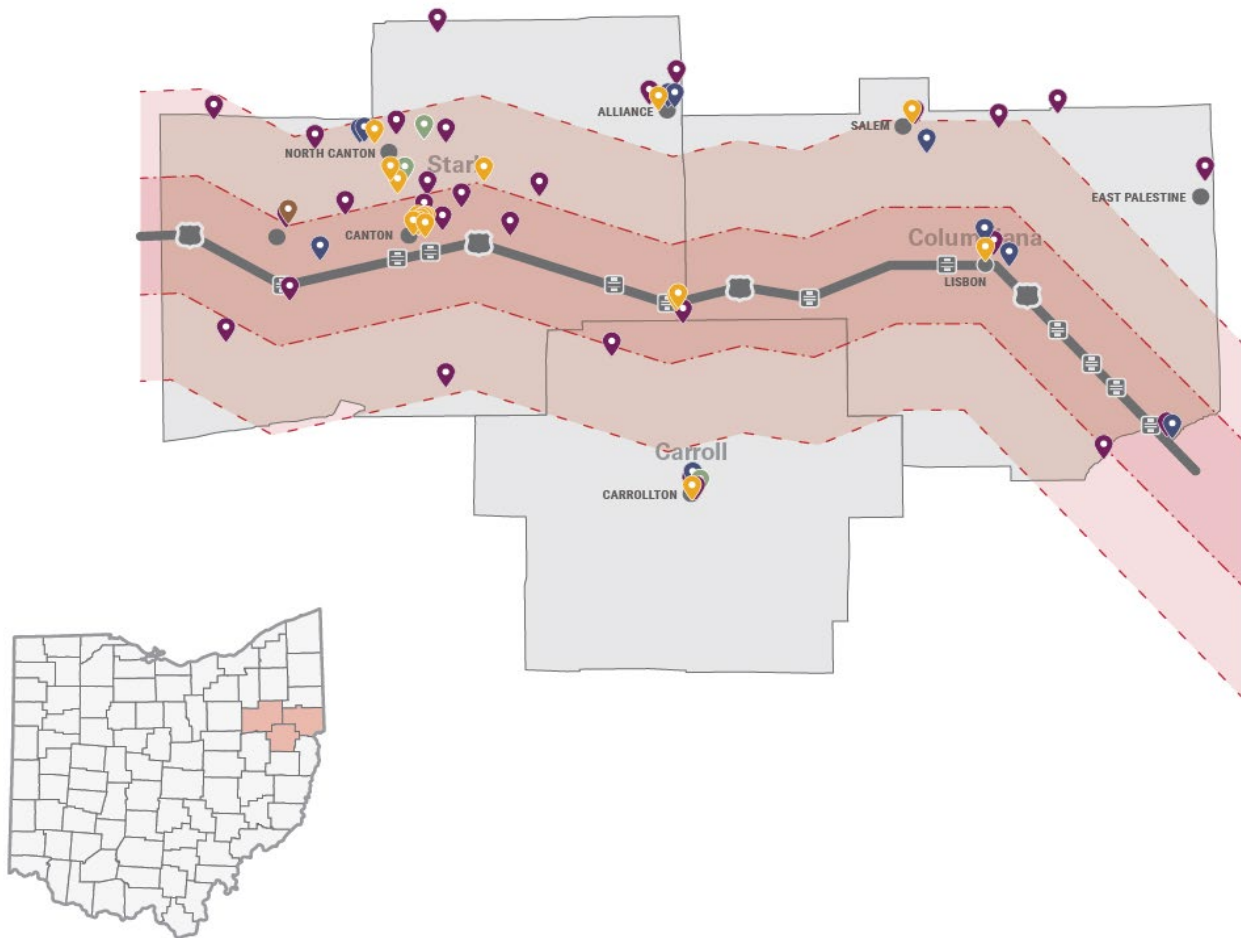
### OFFEROR CERTIFICATION FORM

The offeror certifies that its responses to the following statements are true and accurate. The offeror's answers apply to the last seven years. Please indicate yes or no in each column.

	Yes/No	Description
1.		Offeror has had a contract terminated for default or cause.
2.		Offeror has been assessed any penalties in excess of \$10,000.00, including liquidated damages, under any of its existing or past contracts with any organization (including any governmental entity).
3.		Offeror was the subject of any governmental action limiting the right of the offeror to do business with that entity or any other governmental entity.
4.		Offeror has had the trading of its stock suspended.
5.		Offeror, any officer of the offeror, or any owner of a 20% interest or greater in the offeror has filed for bankruptcy, reorganization, a debt arrangement, moratorium, or any proceeding under any bankruptcy or insolvency law, or any dissolution or liquidation proceeding.
6.		Offeror, any officer of the offeror, or any owner with a 20% interest or greater in the offeror has been convicted of a felony or is currently under indictment on any felony charge.
7.		Offeror is, or will become, subject to an unresolved finding for recovery under R.C. Section 9.24, prior to the award of a Contract arising out of this RFP, without notifying DAS of such finding.
8.		Offeror has made political contributions that exceed the limits of R.C. Chapter 3517. Refer to the Political Contributions paragraph in Part 4 – Standard Terms and Conditions.
9.		Offeror and/or an individual employed by the offeror and/or any subcontractors has been debarred from contracting with any governmental entity.
10.		Offeror is currently or may be subject to litigation, administrative or regulatory proceedings, investigations, or similar matters.
11.		Offeror or any of the offeror's owners, officers, trustees, board members, subcontractors, agents, or partners have been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude or found guilty of fraud or misrepresentation in any manner.
12.		Offeror will comply with all Federal and Ohio (Ohio Revised Code) Laws and Rules of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) as those law and rules are currently enacted and promulgated, and as they may subsequently be amended and adopted.
13.		The offeror will remain in compliance with R.C. Chapter 3517 for the duration of the Contract and with all applicable provisions that extend beyond the expiration of the Contract.
14.		Offeror and its subcontractors' personnel provided for the Work will have a valid I-9 form on file with the offeror or subcontractor, as appropriate, and will have presented valid employment authorization documents, if they are not United States citizens.
15.		Offeror has obtained a written acknowledgement from its independent contractors that they are separate and independent enterprises from the State of Ohio, the Department of Administrative Services, and the Development for all purposes including the application of the Fair Labor Standards Act, Social Security Act, Federal Unemployment Tax Act, Federal Insurance Contributions Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, Ohio tax law, worker's compensation law and unemployment insurance law.
16.		Offeror is an Ohio company properly registered with the Ohio Secretary of State.
17.		Offeror is a foreign corporation, not incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio but is registered with the Ohio Secretary of State pursuant to R.C. 1703.02 to 1703.31, as applicable.










## Exhibit Four





## COMMUNITY ANCHOR INSTITUTIONS NEAR U.S. ROUTE 30

### LEGEND

-  US-30 Route
-  Highway Interchange
-  10 mile Boundary
-  5 mile Boundary
-  Higher Education Site(s)
-  K-12 Site(s)
-  Healthcare Site(s)
-  Local Government Site(s)
-  Library Site(s)





## ALLEN COUNTY

- • Bluffton University – Becky Hall Addition
- • Northwest Ohio Computer Services
- • Ohio State University Allen Extension, The
- • Ohio State University, The – Lima
- • Bluffton Public Library
- • Lima Public Library
- • Lima Public Library – Elida Branch
- • Lima Public Library – Spencerville Branch
- • Lima Police Department

- • Ohio State University, The – Lima Transplant
- • Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN)
- • Rhodes State College – Downtown Borra
- • Rhodes State College – Keese Hall
- • Delphos Public Library
- • Lima Public Library – Cario Branch
- • Lima Public Library – Lafayette Branch
- • Allen County Sheriff
- • Shawnee Township Police Department

## ASHLAND COUNTY

- • Ashland University
- • Ashland Public Library
- • Ashland County Sheriff

- • Richland Public Health
- • Loudonville Public Library

## CARROLL COUNTY

- • Carroll County Fire Department
- • Carroll County Sheriff's Office
- • Carroll County District Library
- • Carroll County District Library – Malvern Branch

- • Ohio State University, The – Carroll County Extension
- • Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Education Service Agency (OMERESA) – Carroll High School
- • Minerva Public Library

## COLUMBIANA COUNTY

- • Columbiana County Emergency Management Agency (CEEMA)
- • Eastern Gateway Community College – Columbiana County Career & Technical Center
- • Kent State University – East Liverpool Campus
- • [A] Branch of the Rodman Public Library
- • Carnegie Public Library (East Liverpool)
- • East Palestine Memorial Public Library
- • Lepper Library
- • Wellsville Carnegie Public Library

- • Kent State University – Salem Campus
- • Kent State University – Salem City Center
- • Ohio State University, The – Columbiana Extension
- • Rodman Public Library
- • Columbiana Public Library
- • East Palestine Memorial Public Library
- • Leetonia Public Library
- • Salem Public Library

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

- • North Central State College – Bucyrus
- • Ohio State University, The – Wexner Medical Center (Galion, OH)
- • Crestline Public Library
- • Galion Public Library Association
- • Bucyrus Police Department
- • Crestline Police Department

- • Ohio State University, The – Wexner Medical Center (Bucyrus, OH)
- • Bucyrus Public Library
- • Crestline Public Library – New Washington Branch
- • Mohawk Community Library
- • Crawford County Sheriff's Office
- • Galion Police Department



### **HANCOCK COUNTY**

- Ohio State University, The – Hancock Extension
- University of Findlay, The – Old Man Building
- Findlay-Hancock County Public Library – Arlington Branch
- Findlay Police Department
- University of Findlay, The – Data Center
- Findlay-Hancock County Public Library
- McComb Public Library
- Hancock County Sheriff

### **HARDIN COUNTY**

- Hardin County IT – Title
- Hardin County IT – Courthouse
- Hardin County IT – Dog Shelter
- Ada Public Library
- Hardin Northern Public Library
- Mary Lou Johnson-Hardin County District Library
- Ridgeway Branch
- Hardin County IT – Engineer's Office
- Hardin County IT – Transfer Station
- Ohio Northern University
- Alger Public Library
- Forest-Jackson Public Library
- Ridgemont Public Library

### **JEFFERSON COUNTY**

- Youngstown State University – Steubenville Branch
- Eastern Gateway Community College – Regional Workforce Training Center
- Eastern Gateway Community College – Wintersville Office
- Franciscan University
- Franciscan University – J.C. Williams Center
- Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County (PLSJC)
- PLSJC – Brilliant Branch
- PLSJC – Schiappa Branch
- PLSJC – Toronto Branch
- Franciscan University – Resnet
- Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Education Service Agency – Buckeye Local West
- Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Education Service Agency – Suite 2
- Ohio State University, The – Jefferson
- PLSJC – Adena Branch
- PLSJC – Dillonvale-Mt. Pleasant Branch
- PLSJC – Tiltonsville Branch

### **PAULDING COUNTY**

- Ohio State University, The – Paulding Extension
- Paulding County Carnegie Library – Antwerp Branch Library
- Paulding County Carnegie Library – Cooper Community Library
- Paulding County Sheriff's Office
- Paulding County Carnegie Library
- Paulding County Carnegie Library – Payne Branch Library
- Paulding County Carnegie Library – Grover Hill Branch Library

### **PUTNAM COUNTY**

- Ohio State University, The – Putnam Extension
- Putnam County District Library – Columbus Grove Branch
- Putnam County District Library – Fort Jennings Branch
- Putnam County District Library – Pandora-Riley Branch
- Putnam County District Library – Ottoville-Monterey Township Branch
- Putnam County District Library
- Putnam County District Library – Continental Branch
- Putnam County District Library – Leipsic Branch
- Putnam County District Library – Kalida Branch
- Putnam County Sheriff / 911



## RICHLAND COUNTY

- Ashland University
- Mount Vernon Nazarene University
- North Central Ohio Computer
- **North Central State College – Fallerius Hall**
- **North Central State College – Shelby Kehoe**
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Bellville Branch
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Lexington Branch
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Plymouth Branch
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Madison Branch
- Marvin Memorial Library
- Mansfield Public Safety (Police Department)
- Richland County 911 (Sheriff's Office)

## STARK COUNTY

- Canton Public Schools – Administration Building
- City of Canton – CNTNA
- City of Canton – Government Offices
- City of Canton – Offices
- Kent State University – Stark Campus
- Kent State University – Stark North
- Malone University – Cattell Library
- Malone University – Mount Union
- Ohio State University, The – Stark Extension
- Canal Fulton Public Library
- Stark County District Library – DeHoff Memorial Branch
- Stark County District Library – Lake Community Branch
- Stark County District Library – North Branch Library
- Stark County District Library – Southgate Branch
- Stark County District Library – Jackson Township Branch
- Louisville Public Library
- Massillon Public Library – Brewster Branch
- North Canton Public Library
- Canton City Police
- North Canton Police
- Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine – Affinity Medical Center

## VAN WERT COUNTY

- Northwest State Community College
- Brumback Library
- Brumback Library – Willshire Branch
- Brumback Library – Middle Point Branch

- Ohio State University, The – Mansfield
- Ohio State University, The – Richland
- Richland Public Health
- **179<sup>th</sup> Cyberspace Wing**
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Butler Branch
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Ontario Branch
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Lucas Branch
- Mansfield-Richland County Public Library – Crestview Branch
- Lexington Police Department
- Ontario Police Department
- Shelby Police Department

- Stark County – Auditor Office
- Stark County – Sheriff's Office
- Stark County Mental Health and Addiction Recovery
- Stark State College – Main Campus B
- Stark-Portage Area Computer Consortium
- University of Mount Union – Beeghly Hall
- Village of Minerva
- Walsh University – Timken Natural Sciences Center
- Rodman Public Library • Rodman Public Library
- Stark County District Library
- Stark County District Library – East Canton Branch
- Stark County District Library – Madge Youtz Branch
- Stark County District Library – Perry Sippo Branch
- Stark County District Library – Sandy Valley Branch
- Stark County District Library – Plain Community Branch
- Massillon Public Library
- Massillon Public Library – Barry Askren Memorial Branch
- Alliance Police
- Minerva Police
- Regional Emergency Dispatch Center
- Stark County Sheriff

- Ohio State University, The – Wexner Medical Center
- Brumback Library – Convoy Branch
- Brumback Library – Wren Branch
- Brumback Library – Ohio City Branch



### **WAYNE COUNTY**

- • College of Wooster
- • Kent State University – Wooster
- • Ohio State University, The – Hawks Nest
- • Ohio State University, The – OARDC Wooster
- • Wayne County Public Library
- • Wayne County Public Library – Dalton Branch
- • Wayne County Public Library – Rittman Branch
- • Wayne County Public Library – West Salem Branch
- • Wayne County
- • Tri-County Computer Services Association
- • Tri-County Computer Services Association – Wooster
- • University of Akron – Wayne
- • Orrville Public Library
- • Wayne County Public Library – Creston Branch
- • Wayne County Public Library – Doylestown Branch
- • Wayne County Public Library – Shreve Branch
- • Warcog

### **WYANDOT COUNTY**

- • Ohio State University, The – Wyandot Extension
- • Upper Sandusky Community Library
- • Upper Sandusky
- • Dorcas Carey Public Library
- • Carey Police Department
- • Wyandot County Sheriff's Office