

NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT FACTS

- The Nevada System of Higher Education has been awarded \$493,351 to upgrade distance learning video conferencing equipment and software in 13 rural Nevada counties.
- System Computing Services (SCS), a unit of the Nevada System of Higher Education, will administer the grant.
- SCS is responsible for provisioning and managing system-wide information services. The SCS-supported statewide network provides data and video Internet and Internet-2 connectivity to more than 200 NSHE campus locations, rural K-12 locations, health clinics, and state agencies.
- The project will encompass an area of 94,605 square miles.
- Thirty end-points (an Internet capable computer hardware device) currently have outdated and, in some instances, nonfunctioning equipment.
- The project will expand class opportunities for elementary schools, add 137 more distance learning courses to high schools, and increase course availability to NSHE's rural community college campuses.
- Overall, the grant will serve approximately 7,000 people in rural Nevada (4,300 students and 2,700 adults).
- The project will also work with the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension agencies to enhance training and educational opportunities for rural communities.
- In addition, distance learning equipment will also be upgraded at the High Desert State Prison and the Jean Conservation Camp.

Sites and People Served by USDA-NSHE Grant

Sites	Students	Participating Students	Rural Adults Served	Total Served
Pahranagat Valley High School	110	100	15	115
Amargosa Elementary School	116	108	16	124
Beatty High School	111	105	16	121
Caliente Elementary School	112	106	16	122
C O Bastian High School	139	123	18	141
UNR Lincoln County Coop Ext	1,013	45	608	653
Duckwater Elementary and Middle School	15	15	2	17
Dyer Elementary School	44	44	7	51
Great Basin College, Ely Campus	1,162	286	43	329
Great Basin College, Eureka High School	217	156	23	179
UNR Churchill County Coop Ext	3,243	95	57	152
Western Nevada College - Fernley Satellite Center	8,191	197	30	227
Gabbs High School	10	10	2	12
Goldfield Elementary School	27	27	4	31
UNR Mineral County Coop Ext	541	390	325	715
High Desert State Prison	231	185	28	213
Jean Conservation Camp	100	100	15	115
Great Basin College, Pershing County Middle School	644	464	70	534
UNR Pershing County Coop Ext	644	464	386	850
McDermitt Combined School	138	121	18	139
Great Basin College, Owyhee Campus	135	119	18	137
Great Basin College, Panaca Elementary School	154	131	20	151
Pioche Elementary School	76	76	11	87
Great Basin College, Tonopah Station	142	102	15	117
NCSD Tonopah High School	4,977	150	23	173
UNR North Nye County Coop Ext	4,977	80	840	920
Great Basin College, Wells High School	108	94	14	108
Great Basin College, West Wendover High School	322	232	35	267
Western Nevada College, Yerington Center	321	231	35	266
Total	28,020	4,356	2,710	7,066