Fiscal Year 2021 TV Station Grant Calculations

CSG spending period: 10/1/2020 - 9/30/2022

Background

The following is information regarding grant calculations for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Television Community Service Grants (CSG), Television Universal Service Support Grant, Television Distance Service Grants, and Interconnection Grants.

FY 2021 Appropriation

The FY 2021 CSG pool is based on a general CPB appropriation for FY 2021 of \$445,000,000.

70 Percent in the First Payment

In accordance with the CPB Board's resolution of September 2012 and reaffirmed at the April 2016 Board meeting, CPB will once again provide each grantee with 70 percent of its annual CSG in its first payment. As stated on each grantee's FY 2021 CSG Agreement and Certification of Eligibility form, the grant offer is contingent upon CPB's receipt of its authorized appropriation for FY 2020 and is subject to decreases.

Incentive Rate of Return

The final Incentive Rate of Return (IRR) applicable to TV grantees is **0.1239970296**. Fluctuation in IRR from year to year is a function of total TV system non-Federal financial support (NFFS) and the CPB appropriation. There is a two-year lag between station financial data used for CSGs and the CPB fiscal year.

CSG Policy Changes

Following year-long reviews in FY 2019 for both the television and radio CSG programs, the CPB board approved changes recommended by system consultation panels and CPB management. CPB staff, in turn, has made the approved changes to the CSG grant calculation formulas. Grantees received several communications regarding these changes during the past year, this memo should also serve as a reminder that these changes impacted the FY 2021 CSG amounts. For more information, please refer to Television CSG Policy Changes and the Radio CSG Policy Changes.

FY 2021 Base Grant Amounts

The following information is based on the current appropriation as outlined above. Base Grant: For FY 2021, the base is **\$534,000** (calculated as 0.12 percent of the appropriation of \$445,000,000). The base grant applies to all grantees except those in designated Multi-provider Markets. Except for Minority Audience Service Stations, grantees in designated Multi-provider Markets will equally divide one single base grant.

Supplemental CSG Programs

The <u>FY 2021 Television CSG General Provisions and Eligibility Criteria</u> also contain information relating to the supplemental CSG programs (Television Universal Service Support Grant, Television Distance Service Grant Program, and the Interconnection Grants¹). In addition to the General Provisions, other critical compliance documents are available in the <u>Community Service Grants</u> section of the CPB website.

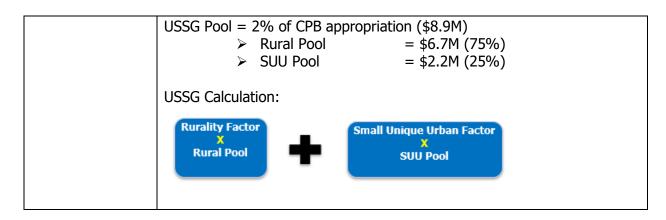
CSG Formulas

The following information provides basic information regarding how the TV grants are calculated.

¹ The Interconnection Grant spending period is one year, from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

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	Grantee's FY 2019	X IRR of 0.1239970296		+ Base Grant	
CSG	NFFS	IRR is applied to dollar of a grant up to \$3 million, of NFFS over \$3 but less than \$2 and to 95% of N \$20 million. ²	ee's NFFS to 92.5% million 0 million,	(or portion of shared base grant for grantees in a Multi- provider Market)	
Interconnection Grant	Grantee's Final CSG	/ Total CSGs Awarded		X Interconnection Pool (\$4,000,000)	
Distance Service Grant (DSG)	The grant amount will be calculated based on a percentage of the standard amount for a TV CSG base grant, with grantees operating a larger number of transmitters receiving a larger grant up to a maximum grant equal to 80 percent for those stations operating 12 or more transmitters.				
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Universal Service Support Grant (USSG)	The pool for the USSG is 2% of the CPB appropriation or \$8.9M - with 75% of that earmarked for the rural pool and 25% for the small unique urban pool.				
	The USSG is comprised of two components: 1) a rural grant, in which a station will receive additional grant support in proportion to the percentage of audience it serves that is rural as determined by US Census data; and 2) a small market grant, in which stations whose total non-duplicated and non-rural population served is less than one million will receive additional grant support proportional to the size of its population.				

² An additional mechanism ensures that the largest stations do not receive a disproportionate share of the incentive grant funds if their NFFS growth exceeds the system's average annual increase.



Contact CPB

All questions about this information should be directed to csg@cpb.org. Remember to always identify your station call letters and/or grantee ID number so that we can respond quickly to your inquiry.