

CONNECTIONS

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Greetings:

GOVERNOR BARBOUR'S OFFICE ACCEPTING BROADBAND RECOVERY FUNDS

PROPOSALS THROUGH APRIL 30 - Governor Haley Barbour has announced a competitive application process for broadband recovery funds through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). As a result of the economic stimulus legislation, \$7.2 billion has been designated for broadband infrastructure through the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP). BTOP will expand broadband access capabilities throughout the United States, specifically targeting rural and underserved areas. More info at:

[http://stimulus.ms.gov/msgo/mssr.nsf/webpageedit/LN_RFP_Page_RFP_SPL_broadbandrfp/\\$FILE/Broadband.pdf?OpenElement](http://stimulus.ms.gov/msgo/mssr.nsf/webpageedit/LN_RFP_Page_RFP_SPL_broadbandrfp/$FILE/Broadband.pdf?OpenElement)

PUBLIC INPUT SOUGHT - Gov. Haley Barbour is seeking public comments on innovative ways to use a portion of Mississippi's workforce dollars through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. More info at:

<http://www.msbusiness.com/article.cfm?ID=8100>

STIMULUS TRACKING WEB SITES:

[Mississippi - http://stimulus.ms.gov/msgo/mssr.nsf](http://stimulus.ms.gov/msgo/mssr.nsf)

[United States - http://www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

[Other - Too many to list](#)

2010 MISSISSIPPI STATE GOVERNMENT BUDGET [is available for view online at:](http://www.dfa.state.ms.us/Content/FY2009ApprInfo.htm)

<http://www.dfa.state.ms.us/Content/FY2009ApprInfo.htm>

RURAL COUNTIES LOSING JOBS FASTER THAN CITIES - [Article at:](#)

www.dailyonder.com/rural-counties-losing-jobs-faster-cities/2009/03/30/2029

WHERE THE JOBS ARE - [Mississippi employment by county at:](http://www.mdes.ms.gov/wps/PA_1_0_CH/docs/LMI/MAPS/employednumber.pdf)

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NEW MISSISSIPPI NONPROFIT LAW GOES INTO EFFECT JULY 1. [Read the new law at:
www.msnonprofits.org/index2.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_view&gid=128&Itemid=152](http://www.msnonprofits.org/index2.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_view&gid=128&Itemid=152)

USEFUL NONPROFIT WEB SITE [at:
http://www.nonprofitcenter.com](http://www.nonprofitcenter.com)

CALENDAR

[May 4 - 5 - Quality of Life Summit, presented by the Area Development Partnership, Hattiesburg
http://www.theadp.com/QualityOfLife.htm](http://www.theadp.com/QualityOfLife.htm)

[June 8 - 9 - Southern Energy Conference, Biloxi, featuring T. Boone Pickens.
www.southern.org](http://www.southern.org)

[July 13-16 - Mississippi Municipal League Annual Conference, Biloxi.
www.mmlonline.com/conferences.aspx](http://www.mmlonline.com/conferences.aspx)

[July 22-24 0 Mississippi Economic Development Council Summer Conference, Biloxi.
http://Www.medc.mswww.medc.ms](http://Www.medc.mswww.medc.ms)

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

[History is the version of past events that people have decided to agree upon.](#)

[- Napoleon Bonaparte](#)

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