

America's Best Communities Prize

Frontier Communications and DISH Network have launched the America's Best Communities Prize contest, a ground-breaking campaign, with over \$10 million in cash and other rewards - that will drive economic development, revitalization and sustainable growth in small towns and rural communities.

With a grand prize of \$3 million, this competition taps into the competitive spirit of towns and cities across our 27 state footprint by challenging communities to dream big and improve lives. The challenge will unfold over three years, with multiple opportunities to win support:

- Up to 50 quarter-finalists will receive \$35,000 to develop their business growth plans
- Up to 15 semi-finalists receive all-expenses-paid invitations to present their plans at the America's Best Communities Summit
- Up to 8 finalists will win \$100,000 to bring their plans to life
- Three grand prize winners will be named America's Best Communities:
 - First Place will receive \$3 million
 - Second Place will receive \$2 million
 - Third Place will receive \$1 million

What's involved? An application, a vision, an actionable plan and a lot of hard work! There's more than that, of course, and the details can be found at americasbestcommunities.com. Who wins? We all win, because the campaign will provide small communities through rural and mid-sized America with a wealth of creative ideas about how to revitalize towns and cities.

Deadline for entry is January 12th, 2015. For more information please go to americasbestcommunities.com. Achieve real progress for your community, and you may be named one of America's Best.

Join Frontier, DISH and our partners in taking up the challenge to make yours one of America's Best Communities. I look forward to keeping you informed about this prize competition and the benefits it will deliver to rural America.

We can't wait to see what you've got!

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