

**E-Connectivity Listening Session:  
Broadband and its impact on Rural Quality of Life**

Lawson State Community College, 3060 Wilson Road SW, Birmingham, Ala.  
Building: 3 - Alabama Center for Advance Tech/Training (west campus)  
Room: 340-342

August 16, 2018  
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Hosted by: Farm Foundation, CoBank, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association, the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation, and USDA

- 1:30 pm: **Welcome and Why We Are Here**  
Remarks: Constance Cullman, Farm Foundation
- 1:45 pm: **E-Connectivity Needs in the Southeast – Starting the Conversation**  
Moderator: Constance Cullman  
Panelists: Anshu Vaish, CEO, Robin Health  
Brandon Moore, Moore Farms
- 2:10 pm: **Open Mic**  
Challenges, needs and goals
- 2:40 pm: **Connecting Rural Alabama**  
Moderator: Constance Cullman  
Panelists: Jake Cowen, Chief Financial Officer, Troy Cable  
Fred Johnson, General Manager, Farmers Telecom  
Steve Foshee, President/CEO, Tombigbee Energy Cooperative
- 3:10 pm: **Open Mic**  
Successes and lessons learned
- 3:40 pm: **Update from D.C.**  
Remarks: Jannine Miller, Senior Advisor for Rural Infrastructure, USDA
- 4:00 pm: **Adjourn**