

## Refused Grant Would Have Sped Internet in La Crosse

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A big federal grant to expand broadband internet in Wisconsin would have made connections a little swifter in the La Crosse library system. The libraries in the city and county are all connected to the internet with copper. A \$23 million federal grant that has been refused by Wisconsin would have helped hook up schools, libraries and other buildings in the state with fiber optics. Apparently disagreements about who would own the fiber infrastructure derailed the grant.