

FY23 BroadbandUSA Federal Funding Site Update

Department: Federal Communications Commission

1	Federal Agency/Bureau	Federal Communications Commission/Wireline Competition Bureau
2	Program Name	Emergency Connectivity Fund
3	Authorizing Legislation	American Rescue Plan Act, 2021, H.R. 1319, Pub. L. No. 117-2, 117th Cong., tit. VII, § 7402 (2021)
4	Program Overview	The FCC's Emergency Connectivity Fund Program (Program) provides funding for schools and libraries for the purchase, during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, of connected devices and broadband connections for use by students, school staff, and library patrons for primarily educational purposes while they are at locations other than schools and libraries. Support provided through the Program reimburses eligible schools and libraries for purchases of eligible equipment, including Wi-Fi hotspots, modems, routers, and connected devices, as well as advanced telecommunications and information services, to meet the remote learning needs of students, school staff, and library patrons who would otherwise lack access to connected devices and broadband connections sufficient to engage in remote learning during the upcoming school year. The FCC has designated the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) as the Administrator of the Program.
5	CFDA	32.009
6	Program Website	https://www.emergencyconnectivityfund.org/
7	Type of funding	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Subsidy <input type="checkbox"/> Formula <input type="checkbox"/> Loan or loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e. loan-grant combo; if there is a set-aside amount for certain recipients please indicate the amount):
8	Link to application site, NOFO, FOA, or Grants.gov (if different from program website above)	Not Applicable
9	Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) or Federal Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Reissue/Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e. one-time funding):

10	Important Dates (if applicable)	The first application filing window for the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program opened on June 29, 2021, and closed on August 13, 2021. Applicants requested \$5.137 billion to fund connected devices and broadband connections in the first application filing window. The second application filing window closed on October 13, 2021. Applicants requested \$1.29 billion to fund connected devices and broadband connections in the second application filing window. A third application filing window opened on April 28, 2022 and closed on May 13, 2022, during which applicants could request support for eligible equipment and up to 12 months of recurring service to be provided or delivered between July 1, 2022 and December 31, 2023 to students, school staff, and library patrons with unmet needs. Applicants requested over \$2.81 billion to fund connected devices and broadband connections during the third application filing window.
12	FY2023 Appropriations Amount	Total Amount Provided in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021: \$7.171 billion Amount Available Towards Broadband (if specified): \$7.171 billion
13	Matching Requirement	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, what is the matching requirement: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other (i.e. if match is beneficial to an application but not required):
14	Complementary Federal Funding Option	Not Applicable
15	Broadband-related Program Purpose/Eligible Expenditures (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning (e.g., feasibility, data collection, mapping) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Broadband Infrastructure Deployment (e.g., construction, equipment, materials) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Digital Inclusion (e.g. Broadband Adoption, Devices, Public Access, Digital Skills Training, Tech Support) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (e.g. Research and/or Evaluation, Telehealth, etc):
16	Speed/Technical Requirement for Broadband Infrastructure	Not Applicable
17	Eligible Recipients (check all that apply)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Libraries <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> K-12 Schools <input type="checkbox"/> Higher Education Institutions <input type="checkbox"/> State Government <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government <input type="checkbox"/> Territorial Governments <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal/Native American Government, Alaska Native Controlled Organizations, and Native Hawaiian Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety Entities <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare Facilities <input type="checkbox"/> For-Profit Organizations (including Internet Service Providers) <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Utilities/Co-ops <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Institutions <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals/Households <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Eligible Health Care Providers

18	Criteria for Eligible Recipients	Not Applicable
19	Grant Beneficiaries (if different from eligible recipients)	Not Applicable
20	Programmatic Resources	https://www.emergencyconnectivityfund.org/training/
21	Reporting Requirements	Not Applicable
22	Publicly-available programmatic data	https://www.emergencyconnectivityfund.org/open-data/
23	Contact information	Emergency Connectivity Fund Customer Support Center: (800) 234-9781 https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6296809/emergency-connectivity-fund/
24	Additional Information	FCC May 10, 2021 Report and Order on the Emergency Connectivity Program: https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-21-58A1.pdf
25	Updated	March 2023