



## ARIZONA BROADBAND FOR EDUCATION INITIATIVE

2024 Q4 Update

The Arizona Broadband for Education Initiative is a partnership between the Governor’s Office of Education, the Arizona Department of Education, the Arizona Corporation Commission, and the nonprofit organization EducationSuperhighway. The program’s goal is to ensure that every public K-12 instructional building in the state is connected via high-speed and reliable broadband connections to enable digital learning in the classroom.

One major component of the Initiative includes supporting schools and libraries as they take advantage of the federal Schools and Libraries (E-rate) Program. The E-rate program provides discounts of up to 90% of the monthly cost of telecommunications services to keep students and library patrons connected to high-speed broadband. It is administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), designated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The E-rate Modernization Order, adopted by the FCC in July 2014, allows states to establish “matching funds” that may contribute up to ten percent in funding to subsidize the cost of Category 1 “special construction” projects. If a state provides eligible schools and libraries with funding for special construction charges for high-speed broadband that meets the FCC's long-term connectivity targets, the E-rate Program will increase an applicant's discount rate for these charges up to an additional ten percent to match the state funding on a one-to-one dollar basis. The combination of E-rate and state match funding can cover up to 100% of an applicant’s out-of-pocket cost for the infrastructure necessary to supply high-speed internet.

In March 2017, the Arizona Corporation Commission updated the Arizona Universal Service Fund (AUSF) rules to provide \$8M in funding for “Special Construction” projects in Arizona. Used in combination with the E-rate program, this funding will result in approximately \$150M in new construction projects within the state. In April 2017 the Arizona State Legislature approved an additional \$3M for “Special Construction” projects.

May 2023 the Arizona Legislature approved \$2.5M in additional funding to bring the total investment in our schools and libraries to \$13.5M.

To date, we have completed **\$125.6M** in broadband projects, **\$9.9M** spent from state funds, providing high-speed internet access via internet services providers and wide area networks.

Total funding remaining based on 9/30/2024 available state funds **\$3,034,987.45**.

	Budget as of 9/30/2024	Allocated	Expended	Remaining Funds
ADE	\$2,601,419.33	\$119,646.10	\$0.00	\$2,481,773.23
ACC	\$941,711.98	\$126,505.41	\$261,992.35	\$553,214.22



FundingYear	Applicant Name	DiscountPercentage	StudentCount	Total Filed	Erate Portion	State Portion	SchoolPortion	Status
2017	Agua Fria UHSD	60%	7649	\$749,000.00	\$524,300.00	\$74,900.00	\$149,800.00	Complete
2017	Apache County Consortium	85%	4062	\$8,379,313.67	\$7,750,865.14	\$628,448.53	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Arizona Call A Teen Center	90%	261	\$61,917.00	\$58,821.15	\$3,095.85	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Bicentennial UHS (Salome HS	90%	113	\$25,303.25	\$24,038.09	\$1,265.16	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Combs Unified School District	80%	4634	\$360,000.00	\$324,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Payson Unif School Dist 10	80%	2843	\$159,000.00	\$143,100.00	\$15,900.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Santa Cruz Valley HS #35	90%	395	\$874,320.00	\$830,604.00	\$43,716.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Somerton School District	90%	2973	\$236,000.00	\$224,200.00	\$11,800.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Stanfield School District 24	90%	529	\$950,000.00	\$902,500.00	\$47,500.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Tombstone USD	90%	970	\$500.00	\$475.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Vail School District	60%	12752	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	Complete
2017	Yavapai County EducationTect	80%	26000	\$1,808,320.00	\$1,627,488.00	\$180,832.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Antelope Union High School	90%	230	\$471,778.85	\$448,189.91	\$23,588.94	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Apache County Consortium	85%	0	\$1,391,054.00	\$1,286,724.95	\$104,329.05	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Cedar Hills - Hackberry	90%	123	\$160,000.00	\$152,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Cochise Elementary SD	80%	87	\$153,300.00	\$138,000.00	\$15,300.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Cottonwood - Oak Creek	80%	2079	\$240,559.81	\$216,503.82	\$24,055.99	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Cupertino PLA	90%	5	\$13,317.59	\$12,651.71	\$665.88	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Discovery Plus Academy	80%	119	\$14,518.29	\$11,614.63	\$1,451.83	\$1,451.83	Complete
2018	Ganado Unified District 20	90%	1513	\$472,042.64	\$448,440.51	\$23,602.13	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Globe USD	80%	1668	\$585,716.00	\$527,144.40	\$58,571.60	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Grand Canyon USD	80%	283	\$5,660,200.37	\$5,094,180.34	\$566,020.03	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Holbrook USD	90%	2066	\$82,432.53	\$78,310.90	\$4,121.63	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Lake Havasu USD	80%	5508	\$842,004.00	\$757,803.60	\$84,200.40	\$0.00	Complete
2018	LaPaz County	90%	0	\$3,974,976.00	\$3,776,227.20	\$198,748.80	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Laveen ESD	90%	6831	\$900,000.00	\$855,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Littleton School District	90%	387	\$629,000.00	\$597,550.00	\$31,450.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Maricopa Unified	80%	6636	\$1,850,000.00	\$1,665,000.00	\$185,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Mohawk Valley Elementary	90%	1141	\$365,771.56	\$347,482.98	\$18,288.58	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Nogales USD	90%	8500	\$947,000.00	\$899,650.00	\$47,350.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Pinal County Consortium	85%	0	\$33,779,395.00	\$31,245,940.37	\$2,533,454.63	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Pinal County Schools	80%	0	\$75,012.00	\$67,510.80	\$7,501.20	\$0.00	Complete
2018	PPEP, Inc	90%	800	\$7,500.00	\$7,125.00	\$375.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Prescott USD	60%	4003	\$101,180.10	\$69,282.06	\$10,118.01	\$21,780.03	Complete
2018	Saddle Mountain SD	80%	1764	\$1,149,000.00	\$1,034,100.00	\$114,900.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Show Low School District	80%	2324	\$199,548.40	\$179,593.56	\$19,954.84	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Snowflake School District	70%	2542	\$217,800.00	\$174,240.00	\$21,780.00	\$21,780.00	Complete
2018	Tombstone Library	80%	0	\$25,000.00	\$22,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Tombstone USD	80%	742	\$4,000.00	\$3,600.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	Complete
2018	Vail District	60%	12860	\$4,545,792.00	\$3,182,054.40	\$454,579.20	\$909,158.40	Complete
2018	Yavapai ASD #99	80%		\$30,828.34	\$27,741.50	\$3,086.84	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Desert Star Academy	90%	500	\$28,447.00	\$27,024.65	\$1,422.35	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Gila County Consortium	83%	6800	\$19,490,128.46	\$17,541,115.61	\$1,949,012.85	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Heber-Overgaard USD 6	80%	520	\$1,000,342.46	\$900,308.20	\$100,034.26	\$0.00	Complete
2019	JO Combs	70%		\$27,801.00	\$22,240.80	\$2,780.10	\$2,780.10	Complete
2019	Little Singer School	90%	150	\$777,660.01	\$738,777.01	\$38,883.00	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Navajo County Consortium	80%	0	\$537,405.00	\$537,405.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Orme School	80%	140	\$727,448.11	\$654,703.30	\$72,744.81	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Shonto Prep	90%		\$71,438.62	\$67,866.69	\$3,571.93	\$0.00	Complete
2019	Yucca School	90%	50	\$351,049.00	\$333,496.55	\$17,552.45	\$0.00	Complete
2020	Buckeye Elementary	80%	5614	\$360,000.00	\$324,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2020	Douglas Unified School District	90%	4225	\$266,500.00	\$253,175.00	\$13,325.00	\$0.00	Complete
2020	Gila Bend USD	90%	478	\$8,543.50	\$8,116.33	\$427.18	\$0.00	Complete
2020	Hunters Point	90%	145	\$10,703.89	\$10,168.70	\$535.19	\$0.00	Complete
2020	Liberty School District	70%	3899	\$216,000.00	\$172,800.00	\$21,600.00	\$21,600.00	Complete
2020	Navajo Nation	90%	0	\$4,788,550.59	\$4,549,123.06	\$239,427.53	\$0.00	Completed
2020	Paloma Elementary	90%	123	\$1,651,035.00	\$1,568,483.25	\$82,551.75	\$0.00	Complete
2020	Saddle Mountain SchoolDistri	80%	2179	\$160,000.00	\$128,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Beaver Creek	80%	275	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,350,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Buckeye ESD	80%	5455	\$125,860.00	\$113,274.00	\$12,586.00	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Liberty School District	70%	4531	\$38,045.00	\$30,434.00	\$3,804.50	\$3,804.50	Complete
2021	Maricopa Unified	80%	7992	\$203,499.00	\$183,149.10	\$20,349.90	\$0.00	Complete



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2021	Navajo Nation (5 sites)	90%	0	\$861,116.16	\$818,060.35	\$43,055.81	\$0.00	Complete
<del>2021</del>	<del>Navajo Nation (9 sites)</del>	<del>90%</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>11348412.14</del>	<del>10780991.53</del>	<del>567420.61</del>	<del>\$0.00</del>	<del>Cancelled</del>
2021	Patagonia School District	90%	160	\$720,050.00	\$684,047.50	\$36,002.50	\$0.00	Complete
<del>2021</del>	<del>Pinon Community School</del>	<del>90%</del>	<del>42</del>	<del>61374</del>	<del>58305.3</del>	<del>3068.7</del>	<del>\$0.00</del>	<del>Cancelled</del>
2021	Sentinel School District	90%	42	\$155,250.00	\$147,487.50	\$7,762.50	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Snowflake USD	70%	0	\$116,600.00	\$93,280.00	\$11,660.00	\$11,660.00	Complete
2021	Somerton District	90%	0	\$468,279.67	\$444,865.69	\$23,413.98	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Sonoita / Elgin	60%	122	\$782,015.00	\$547,373.20	\$156,403.00	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Theodore Roosevelt School	90%	140	\$3,091,499.60	\$2,936,924.62	\$154,574.98	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Yuma ESD	80%	9012	\$27,524.13	\$24,771.72	\$2,752.41	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Yuma UHSD - San Luis	80%	11348	\$1,188,567.00	\$1,069,710.30	\$118,856.70	\$0.00	Complete
2021	Yuma UHSD - Somerton	80%	0	\$525,000.00	\$472,500.00	\$52,500.00	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Florence Unified	80%	9493	\$944,650.00	\$850,185.00	\$94,465.00	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Littleton ESD	84%	6321	\$249,642.00	\$237,159.90	\$12,482.10	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Murphy ESD	90%	1400	\$625,227.00	\$593,966.00	\$31,261.00	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Pinal County Consortium	90%	355	\$4,402,157.00	\$4,005,962.87	\$396,194.13	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Santa Cruz HS #35	90%	3441	\$1,080,000.00	\$1,026,000.00	\$54,000.00	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Solomon District	80%	200	\$16,000.00	\$14,400.00	\$1,600.00	\$0.00	Complete
2022	Safford USD	80%	2940	\$8,880.74	\$7,992.67	\$888.07	\$0.00	Complete
2023	Pinal CC (Canyon State, Imagir	90%	1894	\$1,242,994.00	\$1,131,124.54	\$111,869.46	\$0.00	Complete
2024	Altair Valley District	90%	517	\$207,935.66	\$197,538.88	\$10,396.78	\$0.00	In Process
2024	Cibecue Library	90%	0	\$930,000.00	\$883,500.00	\$46,500.00	\$0.00	AwaitingApproval
2024	Flowing Wells	90%	5093	\$1,740,707.00	\$1,653,671.65	\$87,035.35	\$0.00	In Process
2024	Kingman Academy of Learning	50%	1451	\$266,016.00	\$159,609.60	\$26,601.60	\$79,804.80	In Process
2024	Native American ChristianSch	90%	27	\$794,026.00	\$754,324.70	\$39,701.30	\$0.00	AwaitingApproval
2024	Pima USD	70%	1142	\$23,600.00	\$18,880.00	\$2,360.00	\$2,360.00	In Process
2024	Pinon Community School	90%	42	\$95,406.00	\$90,635.70	\$4,770.30	\$0.00	In Process
2024	Snowflake USD	80%	2962	\$112,010.00	\$100,809.00	\$11,201.00	\$0.00	In Process
2024	Vail District	60%	14015	\$108,584.00	\$76,008.80	\$10,858.40	\$21,709.60	In Process
2024	Willcox	80%	1124	\$52,954.96	\$47,659.46	\$5,295.50	\$0.00	In Process
2025	Winslow USD	80%	2142					Intent
2025	Mammoth - San Manuel USD	90%	543					Intent
2025	Apache Junction							Intent
2025	Aqua Fria							Intent
			<b>241,751</b>	<b>\$125,671,549.96</b>	<b>\$114,338,664.92</b>	<b>\$9,989,143.79</b>	<b>\$1,247,689.26</b>	

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