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Arizona Telecommunications and Information Council  
**DIGITAL ACCESS TASK FORCE**

## Task Force Meeting Chat – 26, 2023

- 15:03:36 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: Nicole is out of town.
- 15:04:44 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone:  
<https://azgovernor.gov/office-arizona-governor/news/2023/06/governor-katie-hobbs-celebrates-nearly-1-billion-support>
- 15:04:50 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: There's the release
- 15:06:12 From MICHELLE SIMON to Everyone: The joy of technology...
- 15:07:31 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: NTIA announced the \$42.45B in BEAD allocations today with Arizona's allocation set at \$993,112,231.37!!! Undoubtedly due to ACA's good work in mapping challenges. More opportunity for a greater variety of Arizona projects. Great news!!! See  
<https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/news/latest-news/biden-harris-administration-announces-state-allocations-4245-billion-high-speed-fyi>.
- 15:08:02 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: Reacted to "NTIA announced the \$..." with 🥳
- 15:08:30 From MICHELLE SIMON to Everyone: Information about Connect Pima and the \$30.3M award for Middle Mile Broadband Infrastructure. <https://bit.ly/ConnectPima>
- 15:09:33 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: Reacted to "Information about Co..." with 🥳
- 15:09:56 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: Sandip was at the announcement in DC this morning.
- 15:09:57 From MICHELLE SIMON to Everyone: Congratulations to the ACA! This is phenomenal for Arizona.
- 15:10:10 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: Amazing news!
- 15:10:10 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: "Nearly \$1 billion!"
- 15:10:28 From Lawrie Prickett to Everyone: Reacted to ""Nearly \$1 billion!"" with 🥳
- 15:10:30 From Lawrie Prickett to Everyone: Removed a 🥳 reaction from ""Nearly \$1 billion!""
- 15:10:37 From Lawrie Prickett to Everyone: Reacted to ""Nearly \$1 billion!"" with ❤️
- 15:16:56 From MICHELLE SIMON to Everyone: I will be out of town.
- 15:16:58 From John Kelly to Steve Peters(Direct Message): who is looking for an e-rate consultant?
- 15:17:02 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: I think we can skip the meeting

15:17:41 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: Benton Institute published a lengthy post today on “Boosting Digital Equity in Phoenix” available at <https://www.benton.org/blog/boosting-digital-equity-phoenix> FYI.

15:20:31 From Stephanie COX to Everyone: afternoon is better on our end.

15:24:07 From Cindy Hogan to Everyone: <https://www.azcommerce.com/broadband/arizona-community-forum/>

15:27:30 From Mark Goldstein to Everyone: The National Tribal Telecommunications Association (NTTA) will hold their Tribal Broadband Summit on 8/22-23/23 at Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino in Chandler hosted by Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. Generally limited to Tribal and Tribal company related attendees. Details & registration at <https://nationaltribaltelecom.org/> FYI.

15:28:06 From Cindy Hogan to Everyone: We are very excited to have Candace Hamana join the team. As Tribal Liaison on the Rural Economic Development team, Candace will serve as the ACA's primary point of contact for Arizona's 22 tribal communities. Originally from Tuba City, Candace brings valuable experience working for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Central Arizona Project, Indian Health Service.

15:36:25 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: Was there a distinction in the report between “broadband of some type” and “high-speed, reliable broadband”

15:41:54 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: Thank you

15:45:28 From Penny Pestle to Everyone: Michelle, the timing for the implementation of the \$30million project? I had heard ten years

15:49:33 From MICHELLE SIMON to Everyone: The timing for the grant is 5 years. We have until 6/30/2028 to complete this project.

15:51:25 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: ALA

15:51:27 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48HahDgRT1Y>

15:51:44 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: Here's the broadband presser from this morning.

15:51:57 From Kirk Busch to Everyone: Thanks Ilana!

15:57:34 From Karen Ziegler to Everyone: Signing off for another call. Great to see everyone today!

15:58:34 From John (JT) LaGrand to Everyone: Thank you for the report

16:00:20 From MICHELLE SIMON to Everyone: Thank you all for the opportunity to present!!

16:00:28 From Ilana Lowery - Common Sense Media (she, her) to Everyone: Thanks, Michelle!

16:00:31 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: Thanks so much, all - really glad to hear from you Michelle!

16:18:48 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) to Everyone: If anyone is interested, or knows someone (an org or a more traditional vendor) who might be interested, the Arizona Library Association Annual Conference is open for Vendor Hall Registration. Get in front of ~300 of the best people in the world - librarians! <https://azla.org/Vendors-and-Sponsorship>

16:23:04 From Paul Ross to Everyone: There is not a clearinghouse of all the projects or a reporting by county or city..

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