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Stakeholder Network
Arizona Telecommunications and Information Council
DIGITAL ACCESS TASK FORCE

Task Force Meeting Chat – September 14, 2023

08:05:10 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) To Everyone: It's so good to know what's available!! Thanks!

08:06:18 From Ilana Lowery To Everyone: Always appreciate knowing what funding opportunities are out there, @Andy Sinclair Thanks!

08:07:22 From Manny Villa To Everyone: Good morning, everyone!

08:17:54 From Nicole Umayam To Everyone: As defined in the NOFO: The term “community anchor institution” means an entity such as a school, library, health clinic, health center, hospital or other medical provider, public safety entity, institution of higher education, public housing organization, or community support organization that facilitates greater use of broadband service by vulnerable populations, including, but not limited to, low-income individuals, unemployed individuals, children, the incarcerated, and aged individuals. An Eligible Entity may propose to NTIA that additional types of institutions should qualify as CAIs within the entity’s territory. If so, the Eligible Entity shall explain why it has determined that the institution or type of institution should be treated as such and affirm that the institution or class of institutions facilitates greater use of broadband service by vulnerable populations, including low-income individuals, unemployed individuals, children, the incarcerated, and aged individuals.”

08:18:01 From A Matsuura To Everyone: Reacted to "As defined in the NO..." with 👍

08:24:15 From Mala Muralidharan To Everyone: Thanks Nicole and Karen

08:25:40 From Nicole Umayam To Everyone: This is the exact format for the CAI list that the state is submitting. Interested parties may use this in preparing their data

08:25:55 From Mala Muralidharan To Everyone: In any case we have already been allocated the funds... this is just for redistribution

08:27:41 From Nicole Umayam To Everyone: As always, I am available as a resource to answer questions and to support stakeholders in AZ IIJA funding programs (BEAD and DE):
numayam@ntia.gov 202-308-7160

08:29:03 From Mala Muralidharan To Everyone: Can you post in the chat the work groups list

08:29:24 From Karen Ziegler To Everyone: Infrastructure and Permitting; Mapping; Digital Inclusion; Affordability; Workforce; Outreach

08:33:04 From Karen Ziegler To Everyone: broadband@azcommerce.com

08:41:35 From Nicole Umayam To Everyone: Arizona's high-cost allocation: \$223,530,209.33 (of the \$993M)

08:41:40 From Mark Goldstein To Everyone: ACA Connects and Cartesian have revised their state by state estimates for BEAD allocations following the NTIA formal allocations with Arizona now to receive \$993M. A national overview and state-by-state individual reports are available at <https://acaconnects.org/bead-program-framework/> with the Arizona report PDF downloadable at https://acaconnects.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Arizona_BEAD_Funding_Cartesian_ACA_07_12_23_v3.1.pdf FYI.

08:42:13 From A Matsuura To Everyone: Reacted to "ACA Connects and Car..." with 👍

08:43:10 From Nicole Umayam To Everyone: Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program: Round Two Notice of Funding Opportunity (<https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/funding-programs/tribal-broadband-connectivity/round-two-notice-of-funding-opportunity>): Nearly \$1B in new funding from IIJA to fund broadband deployment for tribal governments, tribal colleges, and tribal organizations (\$1-50 million by a single applicant) as well as use and adoption projects (\$100,000 to \$2.5M per project). Application window closes January 23, 2024.

MAP of BEAD High-Cost Areas (<https://www.internet4all.gov/program/broadband-equity-access-and-deployment-bead-program/bead-allocation-methodology>): NTIA has newly released a map of its BEAD High Cost Areas, which is now available along with the BEAD allocation methodology.

08:43:21 From Nicole Umayam To Everyone: BEAD Build American, Buy American Waiver RFC (<https://broadbandusa.ntia.gov/funding-programs/broadband-equity-access-and-deployment-bead-program/BEAD-BABA-RFC>): The Department of Commerce is accepting public comments on a proposal to issue a limited, general applicability, nonavailability waiver of the Buy America Domestic Content Procurement Preference (Buy America Preference) to recipients of Federal financial assistance under NTIA's BEAD Program, which will flow down to subrecipients. Comments on the proposed waiver are due September 21, 2023.

08:48:29 From Mark Goldstein To Everyone: The Arizona Technology Council will hold their 7th annual Smart City + IoT Conference on 9/19/23 at ASU SkySong Innovation Center from 1-6 PM. Keynote & panel discussions + Mark Goldstein will moderate the Billion Dollar Fireside Chat: The Arizona Broadband Roadmap session with Sandip Bhowmick, State Broadband Director. Details and registration (Discount Code: AZBSN) at <https://www.aztechcouncil.org/event/2023-smart-city-iot-conference/> FYI.

08:49:03 From Manny Villa To Everyone: Reacted to "ACP Timeline.png" with 👍

08:50:02 From Karen Ziegler To Everyone: Need to sign off. See you all next week!

08:50:15 From A Matsuura To Everyone: Replying to "The Arizona Technolo..."

Would registration be required through your fireside broadcast?

08:50:32 From A Matsuura To Everyone: Replying to "Need to sign off. S..." Thank you for your support!

08:51:39 From Shereka Jackson To Everyone: Enjoy the rest of your day, everyone.

08:53:05 From Manny Villa To Everyone: Reacted to "Enjoy the rest of yo..." with 🙌

08:53:18 From Mark Goldstein To Everyone: Replying to "The Arizona Technolo..."

No. It will be posted on YouTube or other public source. Thanks!

08:54:49 From Ilana Lowery/Common Sense Media To Everyone: Arizona Broadband - League of Arizona Cities and Towns Roundtable Meeting today at 9:00 AM so jumping off early. Webinar ID 933 9207 7262

Description The ACA is hosting a series of virtual roundtable discussions for the League of Cities and Towns. The first roundtable meeting will be used to make introductions, provide context and background,

highlight major policy decision points and conduct brief discussions. Comments and questions will then be compiled between the meetings and reviewed by the planning team to set up well-informed and salient discussions for subsequent roundtable meetings. The discussions between all roundtables will be summarized and reflected in the BEAD planning process

08:55:04 From Ilana Lowery/Common Sense Media To Everyone: Here's the link:
https://azcommerce.zoom.us/j/93392077262?tk=PCDCVT75oAnNNjaCHxrmJPJD8h5m1SoOR8QkwUQPdew.DQMAAAAVvp0BzhZJNTV2amp1UINaLVRITnY1NIRNVENRAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA&uuiid=WN_fxovxum-QLqxx7p9z3c1LQ

09:00:35 From Mark Goldstein To Everyone: The Digital Equity Institute & ShapingEDU will hold their virtual Arizona Digital Inclusion Celebration Summit on 10/3/23 from 10:00 AM-12:30 PM to kick off Digital Inclusion Week & celebrate Arizona's commitment to addressing the digital divide. Details and free registration at <https://forms.gle/JWLkC6n8cW1H675w8> FYI.

09:00:41 From Ilana Lowery/Common Sense Media To Everyone: I need to jump to the ACA League of Cities and Towns webinar so have at it @Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her)

09:01:11 From Mala Muralidharan To Everyone: USF Politico Article
<https://www.politico.com/news/2023/08/21/universal-service-fund-broadband-00110255>

09:01:30 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) To Everyone: <https://connect-arizona.com/digital-equity/digital-inclusion-week>

09:01:30 From Mala Muralidharan To Everyone: SHLB did report on USF Contribution reform
<https://www.shlb.org/policy/research/USForward>

09:05:34 From Cindy Hogan To Everyone: Arizona Digital Inclusion Network – ADIN <https://adin.info>
cindyhogan333@gmail.com We amplify, support and provide networking opportunities for community leaders interested in advancing digital inclusion within their communities.

09:05:43 From A Matsuura To Everyone: Reacted to "Arizona Digital Incl..." with 👍

09:07:03 From Mark Goldstein To Everyone: The SciTech Institute will hold their 2023 STEM & Innovation Summit at the Arizona Science Center on 10/24/23 from 8:30 AM-5:00 PM, an opportunity to come together as a community and connect with educators, community members & collaborators diving into STEM resources, best practices, community involvement, hands-on activities & more. Details and registration at <https://scitech-institute.idloom.events/2023-arizona-stem-summit/register> FYI.

09:12:08 From Mala Muralidharan To Everyone: Cybersecurity training www.merlot.org, www.skillscommons.org, www.CAST.org

09:19:36 From Erin Lorandos | AZ State Library (she, her) To Everyone:
https://azcommerce.zoom.us/j/93392077262?tk=PCDCVT75oAnNNjaCHxrmJPJD8h5m1SoOR8QkwUQPdew.DQMAAAAVvp0BzhZJNTV2amp1UINaLVRITnY1NIRNVENRAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA&uuiid=WN_fxovxum-QLqxx7p9z3c1LQ

09:20:10 From Nubia Estrada To Everyone: Have a wonderful day everyone

09:20:14 From Mark Goldstein To Everyone: <https://localfirstaz.com/economic-recovery-center>

09:20:17 From Nubia Estrada To Everyone: Jumping to another meeting

09:20:27 From Manny Villa To Everyone: Got to run to another meeting! Thank you, everyone! Great information as always!!