Funding Opportunity: Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 appropriated \$14.2 billion for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides qualifying low-income households discounts on broadband service and connected devices. Recognizing the importance of effective outreach to eligible households from trusted messengers to historically underserved communities, Congress authorized the FCC to establish the Outreach Grant Program. The Outreach Grant Program provides eligible governmental and non-governmental entities with the funding and resources needed to increase awareness of and participation in the Affordable Connectivity Program among those eligible households most in need of affordable connectivity.

Program Objectives

- Expand and support diverse and impactful outreach efforts nationwide.
- Strengthen outreach partners nationwide by empowering them to mobilize people and organizations to help raise awareness about the Affordable Connectivity Program.
- Increase ACP enrollment as a result of Outreach Grant Program funded activities.

The FCC will make up to \$70 million of competitive funding available under this FY 2023.

ACP Outreach Grant Program NOFO. Up to \$60 million will be made available for the National Competitive Outreach Program. Up to \$10 million will be made available for the Tribal Community Outreach Program. The minimum amount an applicant may apply for is \$10,000. There are no cost-sharing or matching requirements. Applications are due **January 9, 2023**, at 11:59 p.m. More information is available here.