California Teleconnect Fund

PU Code Section 280 directs the CPUC to provide discounts to telecommunications services to qualifying K-12 schools, community colleges, libraries, school and library annexes, hospitals, health clinics, and community-based organizations.

LIBRARY ANNEXES

Annexes must have an existing main Library account within eCAP

SCHOOL ANNEXES

✓ Annexes must have an existing main School account within eCAP

K-12 SCHOOLS

- √ 4,075 participating public and non-profit private schools
- ✓ Must have annual endowment under \$50 million

HEALTHCARE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- √ 396 participating healthcare communitybased organizations
- ✓ Must be 501(c)(3) and provide healthcare services

LIBRARIES

- √ 522 participating libraries
- ✓ Must be eligible to participate for funds under Title III of the federal Library Services and Technology Act

HOSPITALS & HEALTH CLINICS

- ✓ 229 participating hospitals and clinics
- Hospitals must be owned and operated by a governmental entity or hospital district

COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- 9,137 participating community-based organizations
- ✓ Must be 501(c)(3) or 501(d) providing qualifying services

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

√ 97 participating community colleges



FY 23	24 Enacted	l Budget

FY 24/25 Enacted Budget

\$108.3 Million

\$108.5 Million

PROGRAM DETAIL

- ✓ The program provides 50% off the monthly recurring charges for internet and community-based broadband.
- ✓ CTF discount is capped at E-Rate discount dollar amount for qualified schools.
- ✓ CPUC staff reviews both participant applications and reimbursement claims from participating service providers.
- ✓ The CTF awarded \$1 million in digital divide grants through the Digital Divide Grant program.

State operations constitute approximately 3% of total program budget. For more information on California Teleconnect Fund: http://cpuc.ca.gov/ctf/



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