

E-RATE FUNDING IN U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

District-by-District Scorecards, 1998–2025

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About This Report

The federal E-Rate program, administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) under the Federal Communications Commission, provides discounts of up to 90 percent on telecommunications, internet access, and internal connections for eligible schools and libraries. This report presents an E-Rate funding scorecard for every United States congressional district.

Each billed entity is assigned to the congressional district (119th Congress boundaries, U.S. Census TIGER/Line 2024) containing the largest number of its recipient sites, located by their USAC-reported coordinates; entities without usable coordinates use the district in their USAC profile. Funding totals are total authorized disbursements (FCC Form 471 FRN Status, USAC dataset qdmp-ygft); speeds are from Recipient Details and Commitments (avi8-svp9); pre-2016 history is from USAC legacy data (1998-2015). Note: the last year or two in any disbursement series always looks artificially low (FY2025 invoices are still being paid) — that's the real state of USAC's data, not an error.

Each district receives two pages: a funding overview with total disbursements, average discount rates, participating entities and service providers, and a disbursement history covering 1998–2025; followed by rankings of the district's largest E-Rate recipients and service providers and average contracted connection speeds.

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Table 1. E-Rate Funding Overview

Indicator	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total E-Rate Subsidies	\$1,468,342	\$3,636,572	\$4,323,137	\$6,729,296	\$4,489,615	\$4,388,273	\$4,403,008	\$3,867,646
Average Discount Rate	63%	60%	61%	64%	61%	58%	57%	49%
Number of Service Providers	30	33	34	32	41	42	37	42
Number of Billed Entities	40	42	40	42	43	45	45	43
– School District BENs	22	23	22	22	22	22	22	21
– School BENs	12	13	12	14	15	16	17	17
– Library BENs	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	4
– Consortium BENs	–	–	–	–	–	1	1	1

Figure 1. Total E-Rate Disbursements, 1998–2025

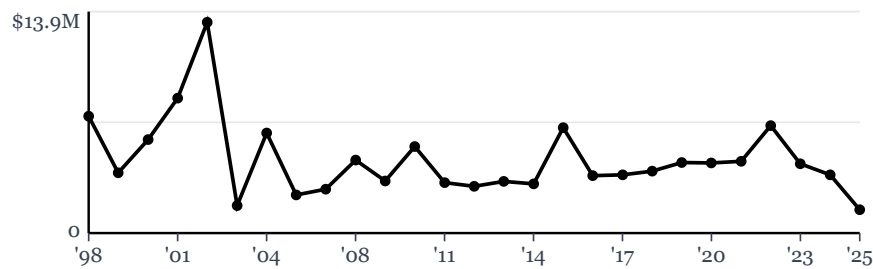


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$46,278
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Internal Connections	\$439,231	\$724,230	\$1,010,317	\$3,471,559	\$1,419,464	\$1,208,997	\$1,060,365	\$768,350
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$919,500	\$2,757,171	\$3,057,324	\$3,192,550	\$3,010,369	\$3,123,440	\$3,335,052	\$3,037,789
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	\$14,430	\$5,158	\$12,856	\$22,630	\$7,591	\$0
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$109,611	\$155,170	\$241,066	\$60,029	\$46,926	\$33,205	–	\$15,230

Sources: USAC Open Data — E-Rate Recipient Details and Commitments (avi8-svp9); FCC Form 471 FRN Status (qdm-p-ygft); USAC legacy commitments 1998–2015. Funding figures are total authorized disbursements; each billed entity is assigned to the 119th-Congress district containing the most of its recipient sites (Census TIGER/Line 2024). 5-yr Total and Average cover FY2021–2025; FY2026 omitted (funding year in progress). Note: the last year or two in any disbursement series always looks artificially low (FY2025 invoices are still being paid), which is why the history charts dip at the end — that’s the real state of USAC’s data, not an error. Technology Policy Institute, 2026-06-10.

Table 3. Top 10 Billed Entities by E-Rate Disbursements (ranked by 5-yr total)

Billed Entity	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	5-yr Total	Average
Bridgeport School District	\$111K	\$1.1M	\$1.4M	\$1.9M	\$1.9M	\$2.1M	\$1.3M	\$1.3M	\$6.4M	\$1.3M
Stamford School District	–	\$377K	\$576K	\$2.0M	\$509K	\$374K	\$502K	\$322K	\$3.4M	\$688K
Norwalk Public Schools	\$477K	\$351K	\$824K	\$691K	\$755K	\$447K	\$726K	\$389K	\$3.1M	\$619K
Alliance For Community Empowerment, Inc.	–	\$191K	\$158K	\$210K	\$183K	\$222K	\$119K	\$182K	\$742K	\$148K
Bridgeport Public Library	\$17K	\$117K	\$110K	\$411K	\$18K	\$15K	\$59K	–	\$673K	\$135K
Fairfield School District	\$102K	\$135K	\$125K	\$171K	\$121K	\$146K	\$140K	\$625K	\$654K	\$131K
Diocese Of Bridgeport Schools	\$90K	\$167K	\$118K	\$150K	\$107K	\$127K	\$214K	\$106K	\$632K	\$126K
Greenwich Public Schools	\$49K	\$227K	\$139K	\$90K	\$65K	\$69K	\$81K	\$72K	\$569K	\$114K
Trumbull School District	\$208K	\$64K	\$64K	\$132K	\$61K	\$115K	\$129K	\$118K	\$529K	\$106K
Capital Preparatory Harbor School	\$68K	\$78K	\$89K	\$63K	\$109K	\$64K	\$84K	\$67K	\$407K	\$81K

Table 4. Top 10 Service Providers by E-Rate Disbursements (ranked by 5-yr total)

Service Provider	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	5-yr Total	Average
Lighttower Fiber Networks Ii, Llc	\$216K	\$1.4M	\$1.5M	\$1.5M	\$1.5M	\$1.6M	\$1.6M	\$1.5M	\$6.2M	\$1.2M
Eplus Technology, Inc.	\$673	\$2K	\$363K	\$2.4M	\$901K	\$712K	\$288K	\$8K	\$3.7M	\$742K
Advanced Corporate Networking, Inc.	\$309K	\$548K	\$725K	\$740K	\$795K	\$721K	\$724K	\$736K	\$3.1M	\$623K
Dept Of Admin Services, Ct	\$224K	\$424K	\$395K	\$550K	\$366K	\$343K	\$467K	\$248K	\$2.0M	\$392K
Total Communications, Inc.	\$359K	\$153K	\$107K	\$503K	–	\$19K	–	\$30K	\$1.1M	\$224K
Chimenet, Inc.	\$84K	\$180K	\$227K	\$373K	\$135K	\$216K	\$247K	\$596K	\$999K	\$200K
Bcn Telecom, Inc	–	\$147K	\$158K	\$188K	\$164K	\$100K	\$99K	\$71K	\$657K	\$131K
Cablevision Lightpath Llc	\$80K	\$99K	\$87K	\$60K	\$24K	\$50K	\$38K	\$23K	\$350K	\$70K
Synacktek Llc	–	\$20K	\$228K	\$48K	\$17K	\$7K	\$46K	–	\$313K	\$63K
Whalley Computer Associates, Inc.	–	\$23K	\$234K	–	–	–	–	–	\$257K	\$51K

Table 5. Average Contracted Speeds by Service Type (Mbps)

Service Type	Download					Upload				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	5,720	5,390	4,734	4,309	4,328	5,711	5,381	4,732	4,307	4,324

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