

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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Data: USAC Open Data (opendata.usac.org), retrieved 2026-06-10.

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Table 1. E-Rate Funding Overview

Indicator	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total E-Rate Subsidies	\$2,177,047	\$830,068	\$3,743,784	\$1,875,072	\$1,260,030	\$2,413,297	\$2,856,787	\$1,416,049
Average Discount Rate	74%	70%	75%	72%	73%	75%	75%	64%
Number of Service Providers	18	11	15	18	15	18	19	14
Number of Billed Entities	20	16	19	19	20	20	21	15
– School District BENs	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	3
– School BENs	11	9	10	10	11	11	13	7
– Library BENs	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5

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

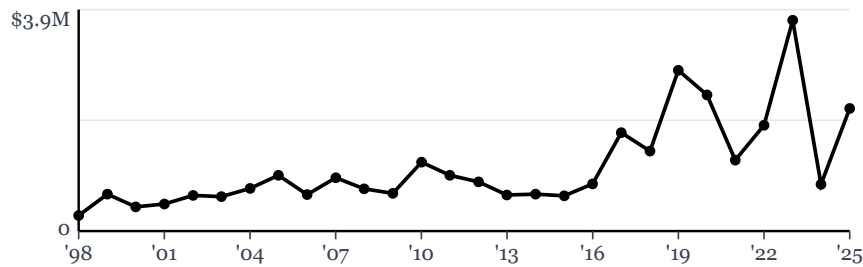


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$4,860
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Internal Connections	\$1,566,483	\$27,686	\$2,972,532	\$1,130,087	\$715,839	\$1,863,587	\$2,308,866	\$946,600
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$610,564	\$771,439	\$752,787	\$705,045	\$544,191	\$549,710	\$544,470	\$464,589
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	\$27,893	\$18,465	\$38,140	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	\$3,050	–	\$1,800	–	–	\$3,451	–
Wi-Fi Hotspots Services and Equipment	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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
Sarasota County School District	\$1.2M	\$32K	\$1.6M	\$1.1M	\$591K	\$1.4M	\$2.1M	\$1.0M	\$4.5M	\$903K
Charlotte County School Dist	\$514K	\$676K	\$2.0M	\$489K	\$472K	\$758K	\$546K	\$239K	\$4.1M	\$825K
Glades County School District	\$175K	—	—	\$48K	\$65K	\$64K	\$65K	\$65K	\$288K	\$58K
Imagine Charter School At North Port	\$173K	\$14K	\$14K	\$22K	\$19K	\$13K	\$32K	\$37K	\$241K	\$48K
Sarasota School Of Arts & Sciences	\$11K	\$13K	\$13K	\$77K	\$22K	\$17K	\$19K	\$9K	\$135K	\$27K
Babcock Neighborhood School (District)	—	\$36K	\$7K	\$68K	\$10K	\$24K	—	—	\$122K	\$24K
Suncoast School For Innovative Studies	\$14K	\$16K	\$17K	\$48K	\$17K	\$33K	\$2K	\$3K	\$113K	\$23K
Dreamers Academy	\$69K	—	\$11K	—	—	—	—	—	\$80K	\$16K
Imagine School At Palmer Ranch	\$7K	\$9K	\$36K	\$10K	\$10K	\$10K	\$14K	\$14K	\$70K	\$14K
Walker Memorial Academy	\$6K	\$10K	\$10K	\$10K	\$14K	\$14K	\$39K	—	\$51K	\$10K

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
Ena Services, Llc	\$514K	\$648K	\$1.9M	\$382K	—	—	—	—	\$3.5M	\$694K
United Data Technologies, Inc.	—	—	\$1.5M	—	\$703K	\$328K	\$270K	—	\$2.2M	\$437K
Cdw Government Llc	\$1.2M	—	—	—	\$3K	\$1.3M	\$2.0M	\$928K	\$1.2M	\$234K
Netsync Network Solutions	—	—	\$156K	\$974K	—	—	—	—	\$1.1M	\$226K
Crown Castle Fiber Llc	\$19K	\$45K	\$45K	\$187K	\$373K	\$396K	\$371K	\$322K	\$668K	\$134K
Howard Technology Solutions	\$187K	—	\$9K	—	—	—	—	—	\$196K	\$39K
Comcast Business Communications	\$32K	\$36K	\$44K	\$37K	\$45K	\$37K	\$39K	\$20K	\$194K	\$39K
Northern Star Data	\$155K	—	\$27K	—	—	—	\$582	\$6K	\$182K	\$36K
Verizon Florida Llc.	\$27K	\$33K	\$33K	\$36K	\$36K	\$28K	\$50K	\$52K	\$166K	\$33K
Centurylink-Embarq Florida, Inc. (Fka Embarq)	—	—	—	\$48K	\$65K	\$64K	\$66K	\$68K	\$113K	\$23K

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	11,077	11,438	10,789	7,578	3,410	11,073	11,424	10,642	7,483	3,319

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