

Benton County Library System

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Overview																
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Total E-Rate Subsidies	\$9K	\$10K	\$13K	\$9K	\$10K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K	\$16K	\$16K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K
Average Discount Rate	88%	88%	87%	88%	88%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	1,003	4,003	–	–	–	–	–	–
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	5,050	1,003	4,003	–	–	–	–	–	–
Subsidies by E-Rate Service Type																
Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$16K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K
Internal Connections	\$553	\$663	\$3K	\$663	\$663	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$8K	\$10K	\$10K	\$9K	\$10K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K	\$16K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	\$8K	\$10K	\$10K	\$9K	\$10K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K	\$16K	\$16K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K
Equipment Category 2	\$553	\$663	\$3K	\$663	\$663	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	\$9K	\$10K	\$13K	\$9K	\$10K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K	\$16K	\$16K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K
Category one services include telecommunications, telecommunications services and Internet access. Category two services include internal connections, basic maintenance of internal connections and managed internal broadband services.																
Subsidies by E-Rate Service Provider (top 10, FY2024)																
Service Provider	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Telepak Networks, Inc.	\$9K	\$10K	\$10K	\$9K	\$10K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	\$2K	\$2K	\$2K	\$2K	\$16K	\$16K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$13K	\$12K
At&T Corp.	–	–	–	–	–	\$11K	\$11K	\$11K	\$10K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Business Communications Inc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Next Step Group, Inc	–	–	\$2K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Vital Network Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gkr Systems Inc. Db a Venture Technologies	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Recipient Demographics (latest profile)																
Recipient	Address			City			Discount Rate			Students		NSLP		NSLP % Urban/Rural		
Bond Memorial Library	247 Court Street 38603			Ashland			90%			–		–		– Rural		
Hickory Flat Public Library	Po Box 332 38633			Hickory Flat			90%			–		–		– Rural		

Sources: USAC Open Data — E-Rate Recipient Details and Commitments (avi8-svp9), funded FRNs only; FCC Form 471 FRN Status (qdmp-ygft); USAC legacy commitments for FY1998–2015 (BEN level). Billed-entity figures are total authorized disbursements (entity-wide, exact). Service-provider top 10 ranked by lifetime disbursements, sorted by FY2024. Student counts sum USAC recipient-site profiles (entity-wide). 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 dips at the end — that’s the real state of USAC’s data, not an error. Technology Policy Institute, 2026-06-10.

Benton County Library System (continued)

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Overview (FY1998–2009)

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Total E-Rate Subsidies	\$12K	\$13K	\$7K	\$8K	\$9K	\$15K	\$2K	\$2K	\$1K	\$2K	–	\$2K
Average Discount Rate	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	87%	87%	–	87%
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	1	1	–	1
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Subsidies by E-Rate Service Type (FY1998–2009)

Service Type	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Telecomm Services	\$12K	\$13K	\$7K	\$8K	\$9K	\$3K	\$2K	\$2K	\$1K	\$2K	–	\$2K
Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	\$13K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	\$12K	\$13K	\$7K	\$8K	\$9K	\$3K	\$2K	\$2K	\$1K	\$2K	–	\$2K
Equipment Category 2	–	–	–	–	–	\$13K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	\$12K	\$13K	\$7K	\$8K	\$9K	\$15K	\$2K	\$2K	\$1K	\$2K	–	\$2K

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Subsidies by E-Rate Service Provider (FY1998–2009)

Service Provider	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Telepak Networks, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bellsouth Telecommunications, LLC	\$12K	\$13K	\$7K	\$8K	\$9K	\$3K	\$2K	\$2K	\$1K	\$2K	–	\$2K
At&T Corp.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Business Communications Inc	–	–	–	–	–	\$13K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Next Step Group, Inc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Vital Network Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gkr Systems Inc. DBA Venture Technologies	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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