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Whitefish School District 44

BILLED ENTITY 135202 · MONTANA · FUNDING REPORT FY1998–2025

600 2nd St E, Whitefish, MT 59937 · 1,925 students · 457 NSLP students

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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	$54K	$8K	$59K	$8K	$11K	$11K	$52K	$14K	$34K	$47K	$27K	$36K	$33K	$35K	$31K	$27K
Average Discount Rate	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	44%	45%	60%	57%	60%	57%	55%
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	2	1	3	1	1	1	2	1	3	3	3	4	4	4	5	5
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	500	300	500	–	–	–	–	–	–
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	500	300	500	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$13K	–	–	–	–	–
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$19K	$17K	$17K	$16K	$16K
Internal Connections	$43K	–	$41K	–	–	–	$41K	–	$19K	$28K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	$10K	$8K	$8K	$8K	$11K	$11K	$11K	$14K	$14K	$18K	$14K	$17K	$17K	$17K	$15K	$11K
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	$10K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	$10K	$8K	$8K	$8K	$11K	$11K	$11K	$14K	$14K	$18K	$27K	$36K	$33K	$35K	$31K	$27K
Equipment Category 2	$43K	–	$51K	–	–	–	$41K	–	$19K	$28K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	$54K	$8K	$59K	$8K	$11K	$11K	$52K	$14K	$34K	$47K	$27K	$36K	$33K	$35K	$31K	$27K

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
Charter Communications Operating, Llc	$10K	$8K	$8K	$8K	$11K	$11K	$11K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bresnan Communications, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$14K	$14K	$14K	$13K	$8K
Centurytel Of Montana, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$10K	$15K	$13K	$13K	$12K	$12K
Mountain Digital Enterprises, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$14K	$14K	$18K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pine Cove Consulting, Llc	$43K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kalispell Low Voltage, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	$41K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Shi International Corpo.	–	–	$41K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Digital Communications Systems, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$28K	–	–	–	–	–	–

Recipient Demographics (latest profile)

Recipient	Address	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	NSLP %	Urban/Rural
Muldown Elementary School	1550 East 7th Street 59937	Whitefish	60%	666	175	26%	Rural
Whitefish Central 5-6 School	600 2nd St E 59937	Whitefish	60%	306	82	27%	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.

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Recipient Demographics (latest profile) (continued)

Recipient	Address	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	NSLP %	Urban/Rural
Whitefish Central 7-8 School	600 2nd St E 59937	Whitefish	60%	347	72	21%	Rural
Whitefish High School	1143 E 4th St 59937	Whitefish	60%	606	128	21%	Rural

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Overview (FY1998–2009)

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Total E-Rate Subsidies	$25K	$23K	$25K	$24K	$23K	$16K	$19K	$18K	$19K	–	$30K	–
Average Discount Rate	55%	56%	56%	56%	55%	56%	55%	55%	55%	55%	55%	–
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	4	4	3	3	3	6	4	8	7	4	7	–
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	$17K	$15K	$17K	$16K	$16K	$15K	$16K	$15K	$15K	–	$13K	–
Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$10K	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	$8K	$8K	$8K	$8K	$8K	$495	$3K	$3K	$4K	–	$7K	–
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	$25K	$23K	$25K	$24K	$23K	$16K	$19K	$18K	$19K	–	$20K	–
Equipment Category 2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$10K	–
Total	$25K	$23K	$25K	$24K	$23K	$16K	$19K	$18K	$19K	–	$30K	–

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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
Charter Communications Operating, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bresnan Communications, Llc	$8K	$8K	$8K	$8K	$8K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Centurytel Of Montana, Inc.	$12K	$12K	$14K	$14K	$14K	$13K	$15K	$13K	$13K	–	$15K	–
Mountain Digital Enterprises, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pine Cove Consulting, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kalispell Low Voltage, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Shi International Corpo.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Digital Communications Systems, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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