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Columbus County Public Library

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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	$5K	$13K	$5K	$23K	$16K	$12K	$53K	$27K	$23K	$17K	$19K	$16K	$16K	$16K	$14K	$15K
Average Discount Rate	90%	89%	87%	88%	89%	89%	87%	50%	60%	75%	76%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	2	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	6	5	5	5
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	1,000	1,000	1,000	660	660	647	647	100	100	15	–	–	–	–	–	–
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	218	400	218	43	43	30	30	100	100	3	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$810	$3K	$4K	$8K	–	–	–	–	–
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$16K	$16K	$16K	$14K	$15K
Internal Connections	–	$4K	–	$10K	$3K	–	$36K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	$5K	$8K	$5K	$13K	$13K	$12K	$17K	$26K	$20K	$13K	$11K	–	–	–	–	–
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	$5K	$8K	$5K	$13K	$13K	$12K	$17K	$27K	$23K	$17K	$19K	$16K	$16K	$16K	$14K	$15K
Equipment Category 2	–	$4K	–	$10K	$3K	–	$36K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	$5K	$13K	$5K	$23K	$16K	$12K	$53K	$27K	$23K	$17K	$19K	$16K	$16K	$16K	$14K	$15K

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	$2K	$6K	$2K	$7K	$6K	$7K	$7K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Time Warner Cable Business Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$21K	$15K	$8K	$9K	$7K	$7K	$7K	$5K	$6K
Windstream Communications, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Centurylink Carolina Telephone And Telegraph Co Fka Embarq	–	–	–	–	–	–	$4K	$4K	$4K	$5K	$5K	$5K	$5K	$5K	$5K	$5K
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Llc	–	–	–	$6K	$6K	$5K	$6K	$753	$1K	$3K	$3K	$2K	$2K	$2K	$2K	$2K
Mer-Ica Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	$36K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gis Information Systems A Qsss Of The Croydon Company, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Telephone Company	–	–	–	$653	$594	$583	$583	$578	$1K	$1K	$2K	$2K	$2K	$2K	–	–
Sprint (Local Telephone Division)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Recipient Demographics (latest profile)

Recipient	Address	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	NSLP %	Urban/Rural
Carolyn T. High Memorial Library	407 N Powell Blvd 28472	Whiteville	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.

Recipient Demographics (latest profile) (continued)

Recipient	Address	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	NSLP %	Urban/Rural
Chadbourn Community Library	301 North Wilson Street 28431	Chadbourn	90%	–	–	–	Rural
East Columbus Branch Library	Po Box 27 28456	Riegelwood	90%	–	–	–	Rural
Fair Bluff Branch Library	Po Box 428 28439	Fair Bluff	90%	–	–	–	Rural
Rube Mccray Memorial Library	301 Flemington Drive 28450	Lave Waccamaw	90%	–	–	–	Rural
Tabor City Branch Library	101 E 5th St 28463	Tabor City	90%	–	–	–	Rural

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Overview (FY1998–2009)

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Total E-Rate Subsidies	$16K	$34K	–	–	–	–	–	$41K	$32K	–	–	–
Average Discount Rate	90%	90%	–	–	80%	80%	–	79%	79%	–	80%	–
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	5	6	–	–	4	4	–	4	5	–	3	–
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	$16K	$14K	–	–	–	–	–	$12K	$6K	–	–	–
Internal Connections	–	$20K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$29K	$27K	–	–	–
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	$16K	$14K	–	–	–	–	–	$41K	$32K	–	–	–
Equipment Category 2	–	$20K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	$16K	$34K	–	–	–	–	–	$41K	$32K	–	–	–

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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	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Time Warner Cable Business Llc	$7K	$7K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Windstream Communications, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$29K	$27K	–	–	–
Centurylink Carolina Telephone And Telegraph Co Fka Embarq	$5K	$5K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Llc	$2K	$2K	–	–	–	–	–	$1K	$1K	–	–	–
Mer-Ica Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gis Information Systems A Qsss Of The Croydon Company, Inc.	–	$20K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Telephone Company	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$1K	$504	–	–	–
Sprint (Local Telephone Division)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$10K	$4K	–	–	–

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