

Thunderbird Challenge Program

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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	\$22K	\$24K	\$14K	\$13K	\$17K	\$17K	\$19K	\$19K	\$22K	\$30K	\$10K	\$8K	\$18K	\$16K	–	–
Average Discount Rate	80%	80%	80%	70%	70%	70%	80%	80%	35%	53%	68%	80%	80%	80%	–	–
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	6	5	4	5	6	–	–
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	500	500	500	500	300	300	300	300	300	75	–	–	–	–	–	–
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	500	500	500	500	300	300	300	300	300	75	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$3K	\$5K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$8K	\$12K	\$12K	–	–
Internal Connections	\$10K	\$10K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$13K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$12K	\$14K	\$14K	\$13K	\$17K	\$17K	\$19K	\$19K	\$18K	\$12K	\$10K	\$370	\$6K	\$5K	–	–
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Back of Envelope Estimate of Equal Distribution, by Recipient

Recipient	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Thunderbird Challenge Program	\$24K	\$24K	\$14K	\$13K	\$17K	\$17K	\$19K	\$19K	\$23K	\$43K

Recipient Demographics (latest profile)

Recipient	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	Sq Ft Urban/Rural
Thunderbird Challenge Program	Pryor	80%	180	118	– Rural

Subsidies by E-Rate Service Provider (top 10)

Service Provider	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Onenet (Oklahoma State Regents)	\$12K	\$14K	\$14K	\$13K	\$17K	\$17K	\$19K	\$19K	\$18K	\$12K	\$10K	\$370	\$6K	\$5K	–	–
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$2K	\$3K	–	\$3K	\$7K	\$7K	–	–
Next Step Group, Inc	\$10K	\$10K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Beasley Technology, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$13K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sprint Spectrum, L.P.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$816	–	\$3K	\$3K	\$3K	–	–
Sbc Long Distance, Llc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$2K	\$1K	\$1K	–	–
At&T Corp.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$603	\$1K	–	–	–	–	–	–
At&T Mobility	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$706	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Chickasaw Telecom, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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 FY2010–2015 (BEN level). Billed-entity figures are total authorized disbursements (entity-wide, exact). Per-recipient figures are a back-of-envelope estimate: each funding request line item's post-discount cost divided equally among the line's recipients. 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.