Filing the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) Form 471

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What is the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF)

- Congress passed the American Rescue Plan on 3/11/2021

- Provides $7.171 billion for emergency **off-campus** connectivity

  - Pays for Internet connections and tablets/laptops

  - Will be a reimbursement to both schools **and** libraries

- A 45-day ECF Form 471 filing window opened on **June 29th**

  - First window is for "**proactive**" requests purchase July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

  - Deadline to submit application is **August 13th**.

Eligible Services/Locations:

- Anywhere education occurs off-campus
- Includes school buses and bookmobiles
- Network buildout if no commercial service offered
  - Applicant must document need

Ineligible Services/Equipment:

- Fixed connections to campus
  - If eligible for E-Rate, it's not eligible for ECF
- Buildout where commercial service is available

What is Eligible for ECF

Broadband Services:

- 1 hotspot/user
- 1 fixed connection/home
- Monthly recurring service costs
- No minimum standards for speeds/service

Equipment:

- Wi-Fi hotspots
  - $250 cap on Wi-Fi hotspots
- Modem/routers
- Laptops/tablets up to $400
  - One device per student allowed
  - No allowance for breakage or spares
  - No smartphones or desktops

Reimbursement Options

BEAR Method:

- 100% reimbursement after purchase of eligible service/equipment
    - May purchase prior to ECF funding decision – but it's a gamble!
- **"Pre-reimbursement"** option – reimbursement prior to equipment purchase
    - Helpful so you're not carrying project cost
    - Requires waiting on ECF funding decision
    - Will be required to show purchasing decision/contract
    - Must sends funds on to provider within 30 days

SPI Method:

- Service provider files for reimbursement
    - You will need to indicate on Form 471 your preference, **and**
    - Show service provider's willingness to filing the SPI
    - Service providers are not required to agree

CIPA Requirements

- CIPA applies to the use of **any** computer **owned by a school or library** receiving ECF or E-Rate.
  - If you send a computer home with a student/library patron, it must be filter if receiving ECF or E-Rate

- CIPA does **not** apply if the school/library does not receive ECF or E-Rate funding

- CIPA does **not** apply if the computer is owned by the student or library patron, even if you receive ECF or E-Rate.

Here's the language from the Order, paragraph 111:

We conclude that CIPA applies to the use of any computers owned by a school or library, including those purchased with Emergency Connectivity Fund support if the school or library receives Emergency Connectivity Fund or E-Rate support for Internet access or Internet services, or E-Rate support for internal connections. This is true even if the student or library patron does not use Internet access services provided by the school or library.301 This conclusion follows from the statutory text: CIPA applies to a school or library "having" computers and requires the entity to certify compliance as to "its" computers.302 Both words indicate that CIPA is triggered by ownership of a device, not the location where the device is used or temporarily possessed.

Eligible Equipment and Services:

Q: Is a license to use a connected device eligible for ECF support?
A: Licenses included in the base price of the connected devices are eligible for support and do not require cost allocation, but separately priced licenses are **ineligible** for ECF funding.

Q: Can a school or library seek ECF support to implement filtering services on their computers?
A: No. The costs of implementing CIPA compliance are not eligible for reimbursement through the ECF Program.

Q: Will the ECF Program support installation and configuration performed by a third-party vendor that is different from the vendor that sold the equipment to the applicant?
A: No. Installation and configuration costs will only be eligible for ECF support if they are provided by the same vendor that is providing the eligible equipment.

Q: Do eligible connected devices need to be capable of connecting to a cellular service (LTE or 5G)?
A: No. While laptop computers and tablet computers must be capable of connecting to broadband internet in order to be eligible for funding as a connected device, they do not need to be capable of connecting via a cellular service.

Q: Are Chromebooks and iPads eligible as connected devices?
A: Yes. Chromebooks may be requested under the laptop equipment category.

Q: For the initial application filing window, do the eligible equipment and services need to be purchased and received after July 1, 2021?
A: Equipment and services can be ordered before July 1, 2021, but they cannot be received, delivered, or paid for before July 1, 2021.

Examples of ineligible costs include:

- Administrative costs, e.g., personnel expenses, consultant fees, etc.
- Software, user licenses, filtering and firewall services **that are purchased separately and are not included in the base price for the equipment.**
- Back-up power equipment, e.g., back-up batteries, redundant power cords, UPS, etc.
- Cybersecurity tools (including, virtual private network (VPN) licenses, firewall software, network monitoring, and filtering services).
- Dark fiber.
- Headsets.
- Learning management systems.
- Separate costs for non-connected accessories, e.g., mouse pads, laptop bags, charging stations, etc.
- Standalone microphones.
- Standalone cameras.
- Technical support, maintenance costs, separate costs for warranties and protection plans.
- Video conferencing equipment and related software subscriptions (e.g., Zoom subscriptions).

Eligible Equipment and Services:

Q: For the initial application filing window, are monthly services that were prepaid prior to the adoption of the ECF Order eligible, such as when an applicant prepaid for a multiyear contract last year?
A: Applicants may seek reimbursement for services delivered between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022, that were prepaid prior to the ECF Order adoption on May 10, 2021, if they can demonstrate that the services were purchased to meet unmet student, school staff, or library patron needs. Such applicants may not seek reimbursement until after the services have been delivered. Prepaid equipment is ineligible for ECF support during the first application filing window, which is limited to equipment and services received, delivered, and paid for between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022.

Q: Can applicants prepay and seek support for multiyear contracts?
A: No. Applicants may only seek support for the monthly costs of services delivered between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022. Approved applicants may not seek reimbursement until after the services have been delivered.

Q: We bought Wi-Fi hotspots last year. Can we request ECF support for the monthly service costs?
A: Yes, monthly service costs for services delivered between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022, are eligible, but the cost of the Wi-Fi hotspots themselves is not if they were received prior to July 1, 2021.

Q: Who owns the equipment purchased with ECF support?
A: Schools and libraries, as the applicants, will own the equipment purchased with ECF support.

Unmet Need:

Q: How should applicants determine their unmet needs?
A: The FCC has not prescribed a specific way for applicants to go about estimating what they will need to address unmet needs.

In the case of schools, applicants should provide their best estimates about the number of students who did not have access to adequate connected devices, broadband connections, or both when the pandemic began; the number of students who do not currently have adequate access; and how the applicant expects those numbers to change with the requested ECF Program support.

While the FCC has not dictated specific data collection requirements for estimating the unmet for students, schools must describe **how and when** they collected the information that they use for the estimates provided in their responses.

There is no such data collection requirement for libraries to estimate the unmet need for library patrons. However, both **schools and libraries must certify that they are seeking support for eligible equipment and/or services for students, school staff, and/or library patrons that would otherwise lack adequate access.**

We encourage applicants to make their best efforts to estimate what they will need and apply for ECF funding in a timely manner, just as they do for the E-Rate Program.

Sample Survey

1. Does each school-age child in the home have access to a device for learning online (this does not include a smartphone)?
   - o Yes
   - o Yes, but it doesn't work well
   - o No
     - If no, how many devices would be needed?_____

2. If a device is available, what type of technology is it? (check all that apply)
   - o Desktop PC
   - o Laptop
   - o iPad
   - o Android tablet
   - o Chromebook
   - o Other (please specify)_____

3. What type of Internet access do you have at home?
   - o Broadband (fiber, cable modem, DSL, satellite, etc.)
   - o Dial-up
   - o Only have access to the Internet on my cell phone
   - o Mobile hotspot
   - o Do not have access to the Internet

4. If you have Internet access, is it adequate to allow remote learning for **all** students in the household concurrently?
   - o Yes
   - o No

Name of individual completing the survey:_____

Name of student:_____ Grade level:_____
Name of student:_____ Grade level:_____
Name of student:_____ Grade level:_____
Name of student:_____ Grade level:_____

Eligible Uses:

Q: Which school staff are eligible to receive equipment and services eligible for ECF support?
A: School staff that provide educational services to students, such as teachers and para-professionals that work with students in the classroom, **including the virtual classroom**, are eligible to receive ECF-funded equipment and services.

Q: For parked school buses or other multi-user locations, are other members of the community, besides students and school staff, permitted to use the internet access?
A: No, other members of the community are not permitted to use the services. Internet access must be primarily used for educational purposes and is limited to intended users.

Q: Can an applicant request funding for connected devices or Wi-Fi hotspots for all of its students as part of a 1:1 device initiative?
A: No. Applicants must certify, as part of their funding application, that they are only seeking support for eligible equipment and services provided to students and school staff who would otherwise lack access to connected devices or broadband services.

Application Process:

Q: Do applicants need to have contracts in advance of submitting an application for ECF support?
A: No, contracts are not required under the ECF Program rules, but applicants are required to comply with state, local, or Tribal procurement laws or regulations.

Q: Can applicants change their service providers after they file their applications?
A: Yes, applicants may change service providers.

Invoicing Process:

Q: Do approved applicants that receive recurring monthly services need to submit invoices within 60 days of each monthly invoice?
A: No. For recurring services that are invoiced on a monthly or periodic basis, approved applicants may invoice within 60 days of the last date of service (i.e., they must invoice at least once by August 30, 2022, for services received through June 30, 2022).

Q: Can applicants pre-pay for a year of services and seek reimbursement as soon as they have a funding commitment?
A: No. Approved applicants cannot invoice for services that have not yet been received.

Filing the ECF Form 471

Go to https://www.usac.org/e-rate/ and click on "Sign In" and log into OnePortal. You should now see the "Emergency Connectivity (ECF)" option listed. Click to select.

Filing the ECF Form 471

To start an application, click on "File FCC Form 471".
Depending on your browser, the application may open in a new tab.

If you leave the application before completing it, click on "My Pending Tasks" and then on the "Create FCC Form 471" hyperlink.

Filing the ECF Form 471

Start by entering a nickname, whatever you choose it to be.

Click "Yes" for main contact to populate your information. Provide alternate contact information so you can be reached over the holiday/summer break.

Click on "Save & Continue".

Summary   ECF Forms   Related Actions

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ABC Local School District (BEN 123456) - FY2021 ECF Application

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We've completed this section of the form based on information from your entity profile in EPC. You cannot edit the information on this screen. If you wish to change the information, please use the FRN narrative text field to inform us of your requested changes.

Entity Information

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name	Total Student Count	Urban or Rural
123456	ABC Local School District	1256	Rural

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The form will show a summary of the district/school, indicating Total Student Count and your Urban/Rural status. Click on "Save & Continue".

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Information for Unmet Student Needs

Based on whatever information you have available to you, please provide your best estimates in responses to the following questions.

At the start of the pandemic, how many students in your school or school district lacked access to:

▸ A connected device (laptop or tablet) that was sufficient to engage in remote learning *   `0`

▸ A broadband connection that was sufficient to engage in remote learning *   `127`

▸ Both a connected device and a broadband connection that were sufficient to engage in remote learning *   `0`

During the 2020-2021 school year, how many students in your school or school district did you provide:

▸ A connected device, because they otherwise would not have had a connected device that was sufficient to engage in remote learning? *   `0`

▸ A broadband connection, because they otherwise would not have had a broadband connection that was sufficient to engage in remote learning? *   `127`

▸ Both a connected device and a broadband connection, because they otherwise would not have had a connected device or a broadband connection that was sufficient to engage in remote learning? *   `120`

With the funding you are requesting from the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program, how many students in your school or school district will you provide with:

▸ A connected device, because they would otherwise not have a connected device that is sufficient to engage in remote learning? *   `0`

▸ A broadband connection, because they otherwise would not have had a broadband connection that was sufficient to engage in remote learning? *   `127`

▸ Both a connected device and a broadband connection, because they otherwise would not have had a connected device or a broadband connection that was sufficient to engage in remote learning? *   `0`

To demonstrate "Need", provide the number of connected devices, broadband connections, and combination of device/broadband connections for each scenario. Do not duplicate counts. Enter zeros if none, you can't leave the fields blank.

Demonstrating Need

Even after receiving the funding that you are requesting from the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program, how many students in your school or school district will lack access to:

▸ A connected device that is sufficient to engage in remote learning *   230

▸ A broadband connection that is sufficient to engage in remote learning *   0

▸ Both a connected device and a broadband connection that is sufficient to engage in remote learning *   0

Please describe the steps you have taken to collect the data responsive to these questions and the timing of any data collections or needs assessments you conducted that inform your answers to these questions. If you have relevant documents, please upload them here. *

At the beginning of the pandemic, families were quickly surveyed to determine the need for broadband access where we could quickly deploy hotspots. We were unable to provide a laptop or table on such short notice. Families were surveyed again prior to the start of the 2020-2021 school year when it was realized that due to the pandemic, we would not be able to return to school on-site. Based on that survey we provided LTE enabled devices to students qualifying for NSLP at our high school who lacked sufficient access. While there were other students that needed assistance outside of NSLP students at the high school, that was the maximum the district could afford at the time. Based on the last survey results and the ongoing demand from families in the district, we have estimated the quantity requested above.

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Provide an explanation as to how and when you collected the data to determine need.

If you have documentation to support the need, click on "Upload Document".
Be sure to redact any personally identifiable information!!!
If you choose not to upload, you may be asked for it during review.

Adding a Funding Request

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This page displays all of the funding requests for this application. From here you can create a new FRN, or edit or remove an existing FRN.

Funding Requests

	FRN ↑	Nickname	Service Type	FRN Calculation
	You haven't created any Funding Requests (FRNs) yet. Click the "ADD FRN" button to start creating your first FRN.			

ADD FRN EDIT FRN REMOVE FRN

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REVIEW FCC FORM 471

To create a funding request, click on "Add FRN"

If you are requesting both broadband service and equipment, even if from the same provider, you will need to create separate funding requests.

Heads-Up: Because ECF does not require a Service Provider to have a SPIN (Identification Number), you can search for a company by name, and then manually enter their information. We'll see that on the Equipment request.

Adding a Services Funding Request

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Funding Request Key Information

Please enter a Funding Request Nickname here ❓ *

| Cellular Data Plans/Hotspots | 28/255 |

Enter a nickname for the funding request – whatever you choose

Service Type

What are the types of the products or services that you are requesting? *

| Services | ▼ |

-- Please select a value --

Equipment

Services

Click on the pull-down to choose the Service Type (Equipment or Services)

FRN Contract

Please identify the type of purchasing agreement for the products and services you are requesting.

How are the services for this FRN being purchased?

(CONTRACT ✓) (TARIFF) (NON-CONTRACTED)

Choose method of purchase. **Note: you are not required to have a signed contract in order to request funding.** *If the request is based on a quote, choose "Non-Contracted".*

Dates

What is the service start date? *

| 07/01/2021 |

When will the services end? *

| 06/30/2022 |

(CANCEL)

Service start and end dates are pre-populated, but adjust the dates if needed

(CONTINUE)

Click on "Continue"

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Next, you will associate a service provider to your purchasing agreement. Please search for a provider below and select one to associate it to the purchasing agreement.

Service Provider

Enter account number if known, but it's not required

Account Number (e.g., billed telephone number)

`                                    ` 0/255

If your service provider has given you one or more Account Numbers, please enter them.

Use the search tool below to find the establishing service provider

Search Service Provider

Enter the provider's SPIN or Name and click on "Search.

Search by SPIN

`143026181`

Search by Name (Full or Partial)

`                        `

[CLEAR FILTERS] [SEARCH]

Check the box to the left to select.

☑	SPIN ↑	Name	Doing Business As	State
☑	143026181	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	T-Mobile	WA

Invoicing Method

Please indicate who will be submitting ECF reimbursement forms for this funding request. *

○ Applicant - FCC Form 472 (BEAR Form)

● Service Provider - FCC Form 474 (SPI Form)

Select who will be submitting for reimbursement, Applicant or Provider.

You have indicated that the service provider will be submitting the ECF reimbursement forms for this funding request. Please upload documentation verifying your service provider's agreement to file ECF reimbursement forms for the ECF eligible products or services included in this FRN.

Note: If you selected Service Provider, you must upload documentation such as a letter or a copy of an email stating the provider has agreed to this.

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If that's the case, click on "Upload Document".

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Click on "Continue"

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Is this request related to New Construction, Self-Provisioned Networks, or Datacasting?

In the limited instance where there is no commercially available service for purchase available to reach students, school staff, or library patrons, eligible schools and libraries may seek support from the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program to construct a third-party or a self-provisioned broadband network, and/or to purchase customer premises equipment to receive datacasting services To obtain funding, applicants must be able to demonstrate that there were no commercially available Internet access service options sufficient to support remote learning from one or a combination of providers.

Does this FRN include a request for funding for New Construction, a Self-Provisioned Network, and/or Datacasting equipment?

If you are only seeking support for monthly recurring costs for either a leased lit fiber service, or wireless services, please select "No".

YES **NO ✓**

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Indicate if this request is for a broadband buildout because a commercial service is not available.

If you are only seeking the monthly recurring cost for a leased service such as fiber, DSL, or cellular data plans, select "No".

Click on "Continue"

Is this request related to New Construction, Self-Provisioned Networks, or Datacasting?

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If you are only seeking support for monthly recurring costs for either a leased lit fiber service, or wireless services, please select "No".

YES ✓   NO

You have indicated that this FRN includes a request for support for one or more of the following eligible costs:

- **Special construction.** One-time, up-front costs associated with building out a new or self-provisioned network, including a wireless service (e.g., antennas, cell towers, Citizens Band Radio Service (CBRS), television white space (TVWS) base stations), or leased lit fiber (i.e., special construction charges).
- **Maintenance and operations.** Cost associated with the maintenance and operations for new or self-provisioned network that is being built or that was built and used during the pandemic.
- **Network equipment.** Cost associated with the purchase of Network Equipment needed to make a new or self-provisioned network functional (e.g., modulating electronics and other equipment) for the network that is being built, or that was built and used during the pandemic.
- **Datacasting Customer Premises Equipment.** Cost associated with the purchase of customer premises equipment necessary to receive datacasting services.

Notes:

- If you are seeking support for both the Special Construction, Maintenance and Operations (M&O), and/or Network Equipment as well as support for recurring costs associated with a wireless service or leased lit fiber, then you should create multiple FRNs. In each case, you will select a different answer to the Yes/No question above based the specific services that are included in that FRN.
- If you selected "Yes" above, you should also create separate FRNs for special construction charges, M&O charges, and Network Equipment charges. If charges for M&O and Network Equipment are bundled pursuant to a single contract for those product / services, you may use the Network Equipment / M&O FRN option.

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View if you answered "Yes" to a build-out.

Be prepared to explain in the narrative section how it was determined that commercial service was not available.

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Narrative

Provide a brief explanation of the products and services that you are requesting, or provide any other relevant information regarding this Funding Request. *

We are requesting the monthly recurring cellular data plan cost for 200 hotspots to serve students that otherwise would not have sufficient access.

147/4000

Supporting Documentation

If you would like to upload supporting documentation for this funding request, such as a price quote, invoice or other price documentation you may do so below.

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Provide an explanation of the service you're requesting. If you'd like to upload a copy of a quote, current bill, or contract, click on "Upload Document". If not, be prepared to provide the information during review.

When done, click on "Continue"

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Service Detail and Cost Calculation for FRN # ECF2190000594

Summary

	ID ↑	Type of Connection	Bandwidth Download Speed	Bandwidth Download Unit	Bandwidth Upload Speed	Bandwidth Upload Unit	Firewall Included	Total Quantity	Total Cost
				You haven't created an FRN Line Items yet. Click "Add" to start creating your first FRN Line Item.					

ADD EDIT REMOVE

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Click on "Add" to start adding the Line Item details (bandwidth speed, cost, quantity, etc.) Unlike the E-Rate Form 471, you will not have to associate Recipients of Service.

Service Funding Request

Service Detail and Cost Calculation for FRN # ECF2190001048

Summary

	ID ↑	Type of Connection	Bandwidth Download Speed	Bandwidth Download Unit	Bandwidth Upload Speed	Bandwidth Upload Unit	Firewall Included	Total Quantity	Total Cost
☐									

You haven't created an FRN Line Items yet. Click "Add" to start creating your first FRN Line Item.

Please enter the details for the products and services included in your request.

Type of Connection * — Mobile Broadband ▾

Firewall Included * — No ▾

Cable Modem
DSL
Installation, Activation, and Initial Configuration
Leased Lit Fiber
Microwave
Mobile Broadband
Other
Private Line Circuits
Satellite
Taxes and Reasonable Charges

Bandwidth Download Speed * — 4

Bandwidth Upload Speed * — 4

Bandwidth Download Unit * — Gbps ▾

Bandwidth Upload Unit * — Gbps ▾

Monthly Cost		One-Time Cost	
Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	$40.20	One-Time Unit Cost	$0.00
Monthly Quantity	200	One-Time Quantity	0
Months of Service	12	Total One-Time Cost	= $0.00
Total Recurring Cost	$96,480.00	**Summary**	
		Total Cost	= $96,480.00

CANCEL   SAVE

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- Provide connection type from the pull-down and indicate if firewall service is included.
- Enter the bandwidth upload/download speeds, and if Mbps or Gbps
- Enter monthly recurring costs, quantity, and how many months you are seeking (12 is the max). Enter any one-time costs, if none, enter zero.
- Click on "Save"

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☐	1	Mobile Broadband	4	Gbps	4	Gbps	No	200	$96,480.00

ADD   EDIT   REMOVE

We see the summary of the first line item.

BACK   CANCEL

Click on "Add" if there are additional line-item costs, such as installation/setup

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Choose the service Connection Type and answer the firewall and speed questions again.

Provide the cost, monthly or one-time, and quantity.

Click on "Save"

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Summary

	ID ↑	Type of Connection	Bandwidth Download Speed	Bandwidth Download Unit	Bandwidth Upload Speed	Bandwidth Upload Unit	Firewall Included	Total Quantity	Total Cost
☐	1	Mobile Broadband	4	Gbps	4	Gbps	No	200	$96,480.00

Please enter the details for the products and services included in your request.

Type of Connection * Installation, Activation, and Initial Configuration

Bandwidth Download Speed * 4

Bandwidth Download Unit * Gbps

Firewall Included * No

Bandwidth Upload Speed * 4

Bandwidth Upload Unit * Gbps

Monthly Cost		One-Time Cost	
Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	$0.00	One-Time Unit Cost	$15.00
Monthly Quantity	0	One-Time Quantity	200
Months of Service	0	Total One-Time Cost	= $3,000.00
Total Recurring Cost	= $0.00		
		Summary	
		Total Cost	= $3,000.00

Click on "Save"

CANCEL   SAVE

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Summary

	ID ↑	Type of Connection	Bandwidth Download Speed	Bandwidth Download Unit	Bandwidth Upload Speed	Bandwidth Upload Unit	Firewall Included	Total Quantity	Total Cost
☐	1	Mobile Broadband	4	Gbps	4	Gbps	No	200	$96,480.00
☐	2	Installation, Activation, and Initial Configuration	4	Gbps	4	Gbps	No	200	$3,000.00

ADD EDIT REMOVE

BACK CANCEL **SAVE & CONTINUE**

Once completed adding line-items, click on "Save & Continue"

Equipment Funding Request

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Funding Requests

	FRN ↑	Nickname	Service Type	FRN Calculation
☐	ECF2190000594	Cellular Data Plans/Hotspots	Services	$99,480.00

ADD FRN   EDIT FRN   REMOVE FRN

To add another request, such as equipment, click on "Add FRN" as before.

BACK   DISCARD FORM

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Funding Request Key Information

Please enter a Funding Request Nickname here ❓ *

Chromebook Request   Enter the Nickname   18/255

Service Type

What are the types of the products or services that you are requesting? *

Equipment ▾   Choose "Equipment" under Service Type.

FRN Contract

Please identify the type of purchasing agreement for the products and services you are requesting.

How are the services for this FRN being purchased?

CONTRACT   TARIFF   **NON-CONTRACTED ✓**

As before, indicate how the service will be purchased. If there is no contract, but based on a quote, choose "Non-Contracted".

Dates

What is the service start date? *   **When will the services end? ***

07/01/2021   06/30/2022

                                                        Click on "Continue"

CANCEL   CONTINUE

Equipment Funding Request

Service Provider

Account Number (e.g., billed telephone number)

[   ] 0/255

If your service provider has given you one or more Account Numbers, please enter them.

Use the search tool below to find the establishing service provider

Search Service Provider

Search by SPIN   **Search by Name (Full or Partial)**

[   ]   [Amazon   ]

                                                    [CLEAR FILTERS] [SEARCH]

☐	SPIN ↑	Name	Doing Business As	State
		No items available		

Unable to find your service provider? Please enter their name and address below

Service Provider Name *

[   ] 0/255

Address Line 1 *   **Zip code** *

[   ] 0/255   [   ] 0/5

Address Line 2   **Zip code Extension**

[   ] 0/255   [   ] 0/4

City *   **Phone**

[   ] 0/50   [   ]

State *

[Select the state   ▼]

Invoicing Method

Please indicate who will be submitting ECF reimbursement forms for this funding request. *

◉ Applicant - FCC Form 472 (BEAR Form)
○ Service Provider - FCC Form 474 (SPI Form)

Document	Uploaded On
	No items available

⊕ Upload Document

(BACK) (CANCEL)   (CONTINUE)

Enter account number if known, but not required.

Search for the Service Provider as before. If they are not in the database, you will need to enter the company information.

Select who will file for reimbursement. Again, if Provider, upload proof to show they agree.

Click on "Continue"

Equipment Funding Request

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Narrative

Provide a brief explanation of the products and services that you are requesting, or provide any other relevant information regarding this Funding Request. *

We are seeking 320 Chromebooks to serve students that do not have sufficient access to a device.

96/4000

Supporting Documentation

If you would like to upload supporting documentation for this funding request, such as a price quote, invoice or other price documentation you may do so below.

Document	Uploaded On
No items available	

⊕ Upload Document

BACK   CANCEL   CONTINUE

Provide an explanation of the products you're requesting. If you'd like to upload a copy of a quote, click on "Upload Document".

When done, click on "Continue"

Equipment Funding Request

	ID ↑	Type of Product	Make	Model	Total Quantity	Total Cost

Basic Information — **Entity Information** — **Funding Requests** — **Certify**

This page displays all of the funding request line items for this FRN. From here you can create a new FRN line item, or edit or remove an existing FRN line item.

Equipment Detail and Cost Calculation for FRN # ECF2190000618
Summary

You haven't created an FRN Line Items yet. Click "Add" to start creating your first FRN Line Item.

Click on "Add" to create line items   [ADD] [EDIT] [REMOVE]

Equipment Detail and Cost Calculation for FRN # ECF2190000618
Summary

	ID ↑	Type of Product	Make	Model	Total Quantity	Total Cost

Select Product Type from the pull-down, and manually enter Make/Model (for Chromebooks, choose "Laptops")

Please enter the details for the products included in your request.

Type of Product * Laptops   **Make *** Samsung 7/255   **Model *** Chromebook 4+, 15.6", 128GB, 4GB RAM 38/255

Please select the product
- Laptops
- Tablets
- Modem/Router combined
- Modems
- Routers
- Taxes and Reasonable Charges
- Wi-Fi hotspots

Monthly Cost			One-Time Cost	
Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	$0.00		One-Time Unit Cost	$350.00
Monthly Quantity	0		One-Time Quantity	320
Months of Service	0		Total One-Time Cost	= $112,000.00
Total Recurring Cost	= $0.00		Summary	
			Total Cost	= $112,000.00

[CANCEL] [SAVE]

Enter zero's if no monthly costs, then enter per unit one-time cost and quantity, click on "Save"

[BACK] [CANCEL]   [SAVE & CONTINUE]

Equipment Funding Request

This page displays all of the funding request line items for this FRN. From here you can create a new FRN line item, or edit or remove an existing FRN line item.

Equipment Detail and Cost Calculation for FRN # ECF2190000618

Summary

	ID ↑	Type of Product	Make	Model	Total Quantity	Total Cost
☐	1	Laptops	Samsung	Chromebook 4+, 15.6", 128GB, 4GB RAM	320	$112,000.00

If there are additional line items for this funding request, click on "Add". If done, click on "Save & Continue"

Funding Request Summary

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Funding Requests

	FRN ↑	Nickname	Service Type	FRN Calculation
☐	ECF2190000594	Cellular Data Plans/Hotspots	Services	$99,480.00
☐	ECF2190000618	Chromebook Request	Equipment	$112,000.00

If you need to edit a funding request, check the box to the left of the row, and then "Edit FRN", or if done adding requests, click on "Review FCC Form 471"

Funding Requests

	FRN ↑	Nickname	Service Type	FRN Calculation
☑	ECF2190001048	Cellular Data Plans/Hotspots	Services	$96,480.00
☐	ECF2190001078	Chromebook Request	Equipment	$79,800.00

ADD FRN   **EDIT FRN**   **REMOVE FRN**

If you need to make a correction, check the box to the left of the FRN, and then "Edit FRN". The system will step you through each form section (Key Info, Service Provider, Narrative, etc.) as you click on "Continue" allowing you to make any necessary changes (except Service Type). This will then take you to the "Service Detail and Cost Calculation" section.

Service Detail and Cost Calculation for FRN # ECF2190001048

Summary

☑	ID ↑	Type of Connection	Bandwidth Download Speed	Bandwidth Download Unit	Bandwidth Upload Speed	Bandwidth Upload Unit	Firewall Included	Total Quantity	Total Cost
☑	1	Mobile Broadband	4	Gbps	4	Gbps	No	200	$96,480.00

ADD   **EDIT**   **REMOVE**

BACK   **CANCEL**   **SAVE & CONTINUE**

Check the box to the left of the line-item you'd like to change, and then "Edit" to correct service details (connection type/speeds) and cost/quantities. When done, click on "Save". After saving the changes, click on "Save & Continue" to return to the Funding Request table and the option to "**Review FCC Form 471**".

Reviewing ECF Form 471

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FCC Form 471 Record - ECF202100605

(EDIT FORM)   (SEND FOR CERTIFICATION) (CONTINUE TO CERTIFICATION)

Once at the Review page, click on the "Form 471 Record" hyperlink. It may open in a new browser tab. If after reviewing you discover something needs to be changed, click on "Edit Form".

When done reviewing, click on "Continue to Certification". If you click on "Send for Certification", your Form 471 will be sent to the full-right user/s in the portal to complete that step.

Form Review (currently, there is no option to print the application):

FY2021 ECF Application - #ECF202100605

(Summary)   Funding Requests   Unmet Needs   Related Actions   To review application, click on each section's hyperlink

Application Information	>	Nickname	FY2021 ECF Application	**Created Date**	6/29/2021 5:28 PM EDT
Billed Entity Information		**Application Number**	ECF202100605	**Created By**	Lorrie Smith
Consultant Information		**Funding Year**	2021	**Certified Date**	
Contact Information		**Application Status**	Incomplete	**Certified By**	
Entity Details				**Last Modified Date**	6/29/2021 6:07 PM EDT
				Last Modified By	Lorrie Smith

Reviewing ECF Form 471

"Funding Requests" View

Test Form - #ECF202101088

Summary | **Funding Requests** | Unmet Needs | Related Actions

We see our 2 funding requests

Funding Requests

* ALL FRN(S)

Funding Request Number	Nickname	Total FRN Cost	Number Of Lines
ECF2190001048	Cellular Data Plan	$96,480.00	1
ECF2190001078	Chromebooks	$79,800.00	1

To see the line-item detail, click anywhere on the funding request row in the table.

To drill down to see the Line-Item Calculation (cost, quantity, etc.) click on the line-item row.

To return to the Funding Requests table, click on "All FRN(s)" in the left-hand pane.

Clicking on " **<** " will collapse the left-hand pane.

Test Form - #ECF202101088

Summary | **Funding Requests** | Unmet Needs | Related Actions

* **ALL FRN(S)**
* FRN #ECF2190001048

⌄ Funding Request Details for FRN #ECF2190001048

Nickname	Celllular Data Plan	Service Start Date	Jul 1, 2021	Total Recurring Cost	$96,480.00
Contract Type	Contract	Service End Date	Jun 30, 2022	Total One-Time Cost	$0.00
Service Type	Services	Funding Request Status	Pending	Total FRN Cost	$96,480.00

⌄ FRN Line Items

ID	Type of Connection	Bandwidth Download Speed	Bandwidth Download Unit	Bandwidth Upload Speed	Bandwidth Upload Unit	Firewall Included	Total Quantity	Total Cost
1	Mobile Broadband	4	Gbps	4	Gbps	No	200	$96,480.00

⌄ Service Provider Details

Service Provider Number	143000677	Address Line 1	One Verizon Way	State	NJ
Service Provider Name	Verizon Wireless (Cellco Partnership)	Address Line 2		Zip Code	07920
		City	Basking Ridge		

⌄ Invoicing Method

Please indicate who will be submitting invoices and receiving reimbursements for this funding request.

- ⦿ Applicant - FCC Form 472 (BEAR Form)
- ○ Service Provider - FCC Form 474 (SPI Form)

Supporting Document(s)

Document	Uploaded On

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View after clicking on "Continue to Certification"

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The certifications are specific to ECF.

In order to certify, all boxes must be checked.

Read them over carefully!!

When done, click on "Certify"

But let's take a closer look!

Total funding request amount is listed.

Certify ECF FCC Form 471 - Emergency Connectivity Fund

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Total funding commitment request amount on this FCC Form 471
$176,280.00

Certifications

☐ I am authorized to submit this application on behalf of the above-named applicant and that based on information known to me or provided to me by employees responsible for the data being submitted, I hereby certify that the data set forth in this application has been examined and is true, accurate and complete. I acknowledge that any false statement on this application or on other documents submitted by this applicant can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503 (b)), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. § 1001), or can lead to liability under the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729 – 3733).

☐ In addition to the foregoing, this applicant is in compliance with the rules and orders governing the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program, and I acknowledge that failure to be in compliance and remain in compliance with those rules and orders may result in the denial of funding, cancellation of funding commitments, and/or recoupment of past disbursements. I acknowledge that failure to comply with the rules and orders governing the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program could result in civil or criminal prosecution by law enforcement authorities.

☐ By signing this application, I certify that the information contained in this application is true, complete, and accurate, and the projected expenditures, disbursements and cash receipts are for the purposes and objectives set forth in the terms and conditions of the Federal award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal, civil or administrative penalties for fraud, false statements, false claims or otherwise. (U.S. Code Title 18, sections 1001, 286-287 and 1341 and Title 31, sections 3729–3730 and 3801–3812).

☐ The school meets the statutory definition of "elementary school" or "secondary school" as defined in § 54.1700 of this subpart, does not operate as for-profit businesses, and does not have endowments exceeding $50 million.

☐ The school, library, or consortia listed on the FCC Form 471 application has complied with all applicable state, local, or Tribal local laws regarding procurement of services for which support is being sought.

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☐ The school, library, or consortium has complied with all program rules and acknowledge that failure to do so may result in denial of discount funding and/or recovery of funding.

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☐ No kickbacks, as defined in 41 U.S.C. § 8701 and/or 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b, were paid or received by the applicant to anyone in connection with the Emergency Connectivity Fund.

Have you already certified your status of compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) on an FCC Form 486 or FCC Form 479 for the relevant funding year? *
○ Yes
○ No

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Have you already certified your status of compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) on an FCC Form 486 or FCC Form 479 for the relevant funding year? *

○ Yes
○ No

- If you've file a FY2021 Form 486 to certify your CIPA compliance, select "Yes".
- If not, select "No" and you will be able to certify on the ECF Form 471.
- You will not file a Form 486 as part of the ECF application process.
- When done, click on "Certify"

BACK

CERTIFY

Certifying the ECF Form 471

View if you selected "No".

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○ Yes
● No

CIPA Certifications

I certify that as of the date of the start of Emergency Connectivity Fund program supported services:

○ The recipient(s) of service represented in the Funding Request Number(s) on this Form 471 has (have) complied with the requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), as codified at 47 U.S.C. § 254(h) and (I).

○ The recipient(s) of service represented in the Funding Request Number(s) on this Form 471 is (are) undertaking such actions, including any necessary procurement procedures, to comply with the requirements of CIPA for the next funding year, but has (have) not completed all requirements of CIPA for this funding year.

○ The Children's Internet Protection Act, as codified at 47 U.S.C. § 254(h) and (I), does not apply because the recipient(s) of service represented in the Funding Request Number(s) on this Form 471 is (are) not receiving support for Internet access, Internet service, or internal connections under the universal service support mechanism for schools and libraries or Internet access or Internet service through the Emergency Connectivity Fund, or connected devices do not use Internet access or Internet service funded through the universal service support mechanism for schools and libraries or the Emergency Connectivity Fund Program.

BACK   CERTIFY

To certify you are CIPA compliant, select the first option.

The second option indicates you're working at becoming CIPA compliant.

The third option indicates CIPA doesn't apply because the entity is not receiving ECF or E-Rate discounted internet access or internet services, or E-Rate discounted internal connections—or network equipment for internet access, internet service, or internal connections.

ECF Portal Housekeeping

If at any time you want to return to your ECF "Landing Page", click on "Dashboard"
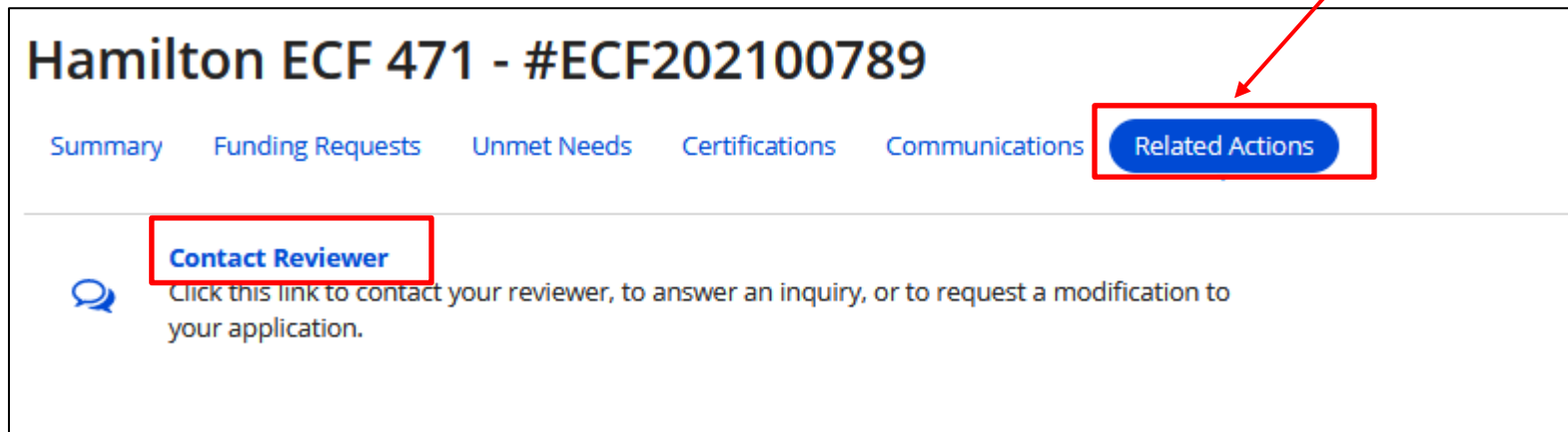
To log out, click on the silhouette, and then "Sign Out"

DASHBOARD   CUSTOMER SERVICE

Signed in as **Lorrie**

👤 PROFILE   ⚙ SETTINGS   ➡ SIGN OUT

Good Afternoon
Lorrie

| My Organizations | **My Applications** | My Pending Tasks |

ECF Forms 471

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Funding Year	ECF Form 471 Number ↓	Nickname	BEN	Name	Status	Certified Date	State
2021	ECF202100589	AWEFC082021	129309	ABC School District	Certified	7/1/2021	OH

To see your Form 471 once certified, click on "My Applications" and then on the "ECF Form 471 Number" hyperlink.

Modifying an Application

After clicking on the application number, click on "Related Actions", and then "Contact Reviewer"
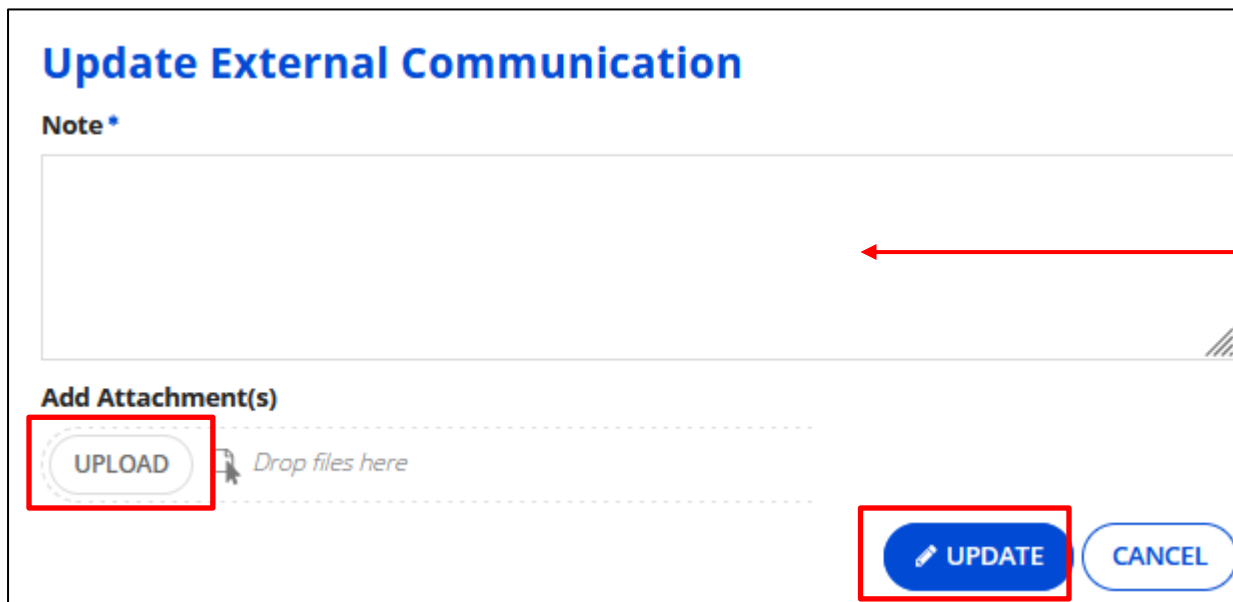
Hamilton ECF 471 - #ECF202100789

Summary   Funding Requests   Unmet Needs   Certifications   Communications   Related Actions

Contact Reviewer
Click this link to contact your reviewer, to answer an inquiry, or to request a modification to your application.

Update External Communication

Note*

Add Attachment(s)

UPLOAD   Drop files here

✎ UPDATE   CANCEL

Explain any changes or corrections in the text box provided. If you have supporting documentation, click on "Upload" and then "Update".

Funding Process – Next Steps

Funding Decisions:

- No decisions until filing window closes
- Goal of 50% of workable applications funded within 60 days, 70% within 100 days

Funding Priority:

- If the demand exceeds the amount of available funds, applications will be funded in order of priority based on:
    - Location (rural or urban)
    - Highest E-Rate discount rate funded first
    - Rural schools/libraries funded before urban
        - Rural locations will receive a 5% "bump" in priority
    - Some applicants may not receive support – Think old "Priority 2" process

Funding Priority and Rural 5% Bump:

	Emergency Connectivity Fund Prioritization Matrix	
	Discount Level	
% of students eligible for National School Lunch Program	Urban	Rural
< 1............................	⑫20	⑪30
1-19..........................	⑩40	⑨55
20-34.........................	⑧50	⑦65
35-49.........................	⑥60	⑤75
50-74.........................	④80	③85
75-100........................	②90	①95

Reimbursement Process

- Deadline to file a BEAR for reimbursement will be **60 days** from purchase or last day to receive service.

- Detailed invoice required

- Must register in SAM.gov for payments
  - System for Award Management (SAM) is a web-based application
  - Many of our schools and libraries have already registers. To search, go to: https://sam.gov/content/home , and create a user account.
    - May search by your DUN's number

Additional Filing Window:

- A second window will be provided if funds remain
- FCC has freedom to set window type
  - Additional window for new purchases **or**
  - Retroactive purchases (**March 1, 2020** – June 30, 2021)
- Process will continue until ECF depleted

Questions

For E-Rate Support and Information Contact

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