

COCHISE COUNTY

Cochise County Educational Technology Consortium (CCETC) E-Rate Fiber Build



Public Programs...Personal Service

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E-rate

- The universal service Schools and Libraries Program, commonly known as “E-rate,” provides discounts of up to 90 percent to help eligible schools and libraries in the United States obtain affordable telecommunications and internet access.
- Frank Vander Horst, E-rate Manager with Yavapai County Education Service Agency coordinated our proposal effort.



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Consortium Members

- Apache
- Ash Creek
- Benson
- Bisbee
- Bowie
- Cochise Tech (CTED)
- Double Adobe
- Douglas
- Valley Union
- Pearce
- Loretto Catholic School
- Cochise County Library District
 - Bisbee
 - Sunsites
 - Portal
 - Elfrida
 - Sunizona
- San Simon
- St. David
- Tombstone
- Wilcox
- Berean
- Elfrida



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Impact and Cost

Impact

- Provide High speed internet to rural communities across the county.
- Provide High speed internet at a fraction of the price. (reduced price to schools is over 99% cheaper per MB)
 - 10GB is under \$400 per month.
 - The County is currently spending about \$1500 for 1GB.

County Cost

- Non-Erate sites could join the network at a higher cost, but would require a 10 year contract.
 - \$1,300 per month for 10GB
- Assign a project manager to this effort.
- No other known costs to the County Government



Estimated Timeline

- Request For Proposal was released - **September 2018**
- Responses received and evaluated - **January 2019**
 - Zayo Group was selected, request the Board of Supervisors sign Proposal and Acceptance Offer letter - **February 2019**
- File Form 471 to request E-Rate funds – **February 2019**
- Approval and Funds allocated by Universal Service Administrative Co. (USAC) – expected some time between **October 2019 through February 2020.**
- Zayo completes installation of Fiber Optics **February 2021**

