Digital Equity Stakeholder Meeting

November 19, 2025



Broadband for All

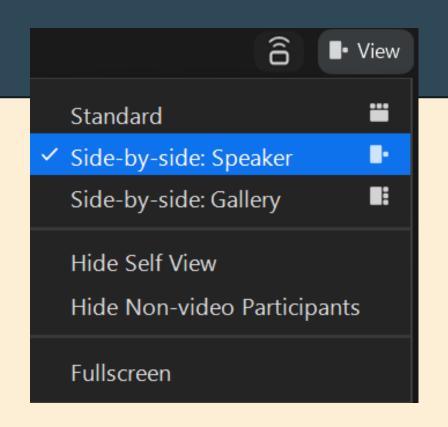
Housekeeping

Select Side-by-Side: Speaker Mode for the best viewing experience when slides are shared and visibility of the ASL interpreters

Closed Captions English closed captions are available. Choose "CC closed caption" on your toolbar and select "show subtitle".

Q&A Box Discussion after each agenda item. Please add your questions in the Q&A Box

Reactions Raise Hand feature or *9 if you calling into Zoom by phone







Post-Meeting Materials

 Meeting recording, minutes, transcript, and presentation slides will be available on Broadband for All Portal.





WELCOME

Scott Adams

DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Office of Broadband and Digital Literacy California Department of Technology



Agenda

Welcome

California Jobs First

Digital Equity Resource Survey Launch & Demo

BB4All SDEP Goals / Innovative Ideas & Partnerships

Digital Equity Resources

Next Steps & Close

Broadband for All Action Plan

GOAL 1:

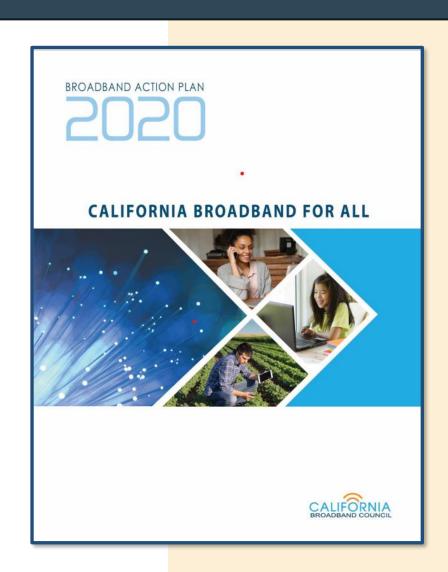
All Californians have high-performance broadband available at home, schools, libraries, and businesses.

GOAL 2:

All Californians have access to affordable broadband and necessary devices.

GOAL 3:

All Californians can access training and support to enable digital inclusion.



Meeting Norms

- Only questions/comments on agenda items will be addressed.
- Chat will be monitored.
- Disruptive behaviors will not be tolerated.
- Individuals will be removed from the meeting.



CALIFORNIA JOBS FIRST

Danna Stroud

ASSOCIATE DEPUTY DIRECTOR, REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT

California Governor's Office of Business & Economic Development (GO-Biz)

What is Jobs First?

Launched in 2021, California Jobs First is a statewide initiative building a Community-Led, Climate Forward economy.

North Star: Create, Attract, and Increase Access to Good-Paying Jobs



What is Jobs First?

Four Goals:

- 1) Support sustainable and equitable growth across regions and populations
- 2) Invest in the workforce for the sectors of the future
- 3) Create an attractive environment for and with job creators
- 4) Strengthen California's innovation economy and entrepreneurial culture



What is Jobs First?

- 13 Regions
- Regional Collaboratives formed with a focus on inclusive community engagement
- Data-driven Regional Strategies delivered in September
 2024 providing a roadmap for regional economic growth.
- The Regional Strategies framed the state's Economic Blueprint delivered February 2025



Jobs First and Digital Equity

- 12 Tradable Sectors in the Economic Blueprint
- Anchor Sectors also identified and includes communityserving sectors such has housing, healthcare, transportation and broadband
- Many regions have included broadband access as a key Anchor sector to expand



Jobs First and Digital Equity

California's Diverse and Dynamic Economy is Reflected in its Strategic Sectors



Engagement

Regional conveners continue to implement
 Activation Plans focused on key sectors within their regional strategies

 Opportunity for digital equity interests to connect with regional conveners and project leads to engage with implementation



Contact

Danna.stroud@gobiz.ca.gov

Jobsfirst.ca.gov

Business.ca.gov



Questions





DIGITAL EQUITY RESOURCE SURVEY LAUNCH & DEMO

Shawn Daugherty

PRINCIPAL

Broadband Equity Partnership

Digital Equity Resource Survey

- Survey launched!
- More granular information on digital inclusion services
- Period is open until January 12, 2026
- Digital Equity Resource Finder updated Q1 2026



Demo



Digital Equity Resource Survey

- Refresh data at least every 6 months
- Organizations can revise data by emailing <u>deem@state.ca.gov</u> with "Update Data" as the subject title
- New organizations can be added throughout the year

Request a Demonstration Presentation

Coalitions, consortia, or umbrella organizations may request a presentation / demonstration by emailing us at deem@state.ca.gov



Questions





BB4ALL SDEP GOALS / INNOVATIVE IDEAS & PARTNERSHIPS

James Spencer

BROADBAND ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER

Office of Broadband and Digital Literacy California Department of Technology

Innovative Ideas & Partnerships



Broadband Adoption



Digital Literacy Skills & Training Platform



Digital Navigation Training & Services



Devices & Statewide Device Ecosystem



Online Educational Resources



Online Workforce
Development
Resources



Digital Equity Data



Collective Funding Action

Questions





DIGITAL EQUITY RESOURCES

Aracely Hernandez

DIGITAL INCLUSION MANAGER

Office of Broadband and Digital Literacy California Department of Technology

CPUC Programs Upcoming Deadline - January 1, 2026

	Grant Size & Match	Focus & Activity	Entities	Geographic Scope
1. CASF Broadband Adoption Account	<\$100k - \$4m+15% match	Digital literacy projectsBroadband access in community spaces	 Local gov, senior centers, schools, libraries, nonprofits, CBOs 	Statewide or local
2. CASF Broadband Public Housing Account	Up to 100% for wiring & broadband network equipment	 Projects to build or connect networks that offer free broadband service 	 Public housing, farmworker housing, mobile home parks, multi-dwelling units, tribal housing 	Statewide or local
3. CASF Tribal Technical Assistance	Grants shall not exceed \$250,000 per Tribe, per fiscal year.	 Improve voice and broadband communications to support Tribal broadband needs and access. 	CA Tribes with or without federal recognition that demonstrate Tribal leadership support and Tribal Consortia are eligible	Statewide or local

LifeLine Home Broadband Pilot Program

Target Launch Date: January 2026
Target Population: 4.3 Million Eligible Californian Households

Eligibility:

- Participation in state assistance programs
 - (i.e. CalFresh, Medicaid, Medi-Cal, WIC, etc)
- Income-based (i.e. 150% of Federal Poverty Guideline)

Subsidy Amounts:

- \$20 monthly subsidy: standalone fixed broadband
- \$30 per month (\$20 for broadband, \$10 for voice): bundled broadband + voice
- \$39 reimbursement for new connections/household
- Minimum standards of 100/20 Mbps with 1,280 GB

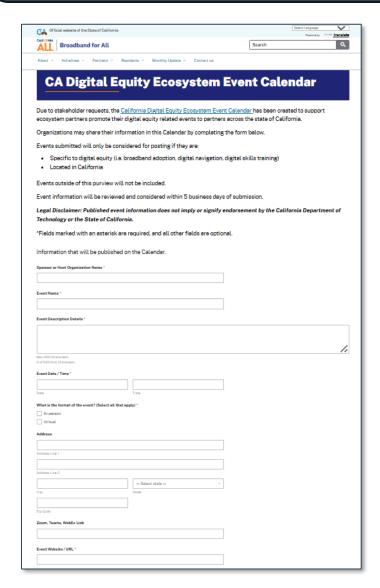


NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program Update

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) will be launched in Spring 2026 and will make available any remaining tribal broadband funding (estimated at least \$500M).
- Streamline the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program (TBCP) and the native entity set-aside from the Digital Equity Act through a new NOFO.



Digital Equity Ecosystem Event Calendar



SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29	THU 30 • 9am Bay Area Digital Inclusi	FRI 31	SAT Nov 1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 • 2pm DE Stakeholder Meetin	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	Dec 1	2	3	4	5	6



Questions





NEXT STEPS & CLOSE

Anh Nguyen

ENGAGEMENT & OPERATIONS MANAGER

Office of Broadband and Digital Literacy California Department of Technology

Next Steps

Digital Equity
Resource Survey



Upcoming Digital Equity Stakeholder Meeting

December 2025 Via Zoom

THANK YOU!

Sign up:

Broadband for All Email Update

Website:

BroadbandForAll.cdt.ca.gov

Contact:

broadbandforall@state.ca.gov



