California Advanced Services Fund

The goal of the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account is to provide broadband access to no less than 98% of California households in each consortia region by December 31, 2032.

Infrastructure, Loan, and Line-Extension Account

\$340 MILLION AWARDED

Awarded 106 projects of which 100 lastmile/hybrid projects provide broadband access to 67,000 estimated potential households. The overall total number of potential households served when including middle-mile projects is 324,000. Of the 106, three projects were approved under the Line Extension Program.

Public Housing Account

\$15.3 MILLION AWARDED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND ADOPTION PROJECTS

Awarded 370 projects, connecting 23,426 affordable housing units across 31 counties. Providing digital literacy training to 122 project locations with 28,438 residents in total.

Rural and Regional Urban Consortia Account

\$29.1 MILLION AWARDED

Awarded 15 Consortia grants that are facilitating CASF infrastructure applications or assisting broadband deployment projects related to programs created under SB 156 and AB 164 to serve 51 counties to advance broadband deployment.

Broadband Adoption Account

\$17.5 MILLION AWARDED

Awarded 319 digital inclusion and broadband access projects serving 317,828 participants in 42 counties.

Tribal Technical Assistance

\$5.25 MILLION AWARDED

Awarded 63 projects for 25 Tribes to provide technical assistance in developing market studies, feasibility studies, and/or business plans which support Tribes in their pursuit of improved communications.

CASF Account	# Projects (2022 to June 2023)	Awarded (2022 to June 2023)	# Projects (since 2008)	Awarded (since 2008)
Infrastructure	21	\$88,478,522	103	\$339,350,405
Infra. Loan	0	\$0	1	\$600,295
Infra. Line Extension	1	\$292,548	3	\$301,006
Tribal Tech. Assistance	33	\$3,370,800	63	\$5,249,350
Consortia	15	\$10,333,173	62	\$29,063,200
Adoption	74	\$5,922,406	280	\$17,549,990
Pub. Housing	19	\$2,918,441	492	\$16,613,183

In July 2021, Senate Bill 156 made key changes to the CASF including:

- Redefines "unserved" as an area where no internet service provider offers speeds of at least 25 Mbps downstream and 3 Mbps upstream (25/3 Mbps).
- Prioritizes unserved areas with speeds available at or below 10/1 Mbps or areas with no internet connectivity.
- Requires Infrastructure projects be capable of providing broadband access at speeds of 100/20 Mbps.
- Requires transition of program methodologies to provide service to serviceable locations.
- Establishes the Federal Funding Account under the CASF.
- Extends Public Housing Account eligibility to low-income communities in any housing development or mobile home park.

State operations constitute approximately 15.9% of total program FY 2023-24 budget.

A list of consortia regions and CASF Annual Reports are available at <u>https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/</u> industries-and-topics/internet-and-phone/ california-advanced-services-fund

Senate Bill 4 (Statutes 2021), effective 10/8/2021, authorizes the Commission to collect up to \$150,000,000 per year through surcharges to fund the CASF program.

