

California Advanced Services Fund

PU Code Sec 281 (amended by AB1665, Stats. 2017, Ch. 851) provides \$645 million for the CPUC to provide broadband access to no less than 98% of California households in each consortia region. ALL AWARD DATA AS OF December 31, 2020

Infrastructure, Loan, and Line-Extension Grant-- \$570 million

\$302 million awarded Supporting **88 projects** of which 79 last-mile/hybrid projects provide broadband access to 67,000 estimated potential households. The average cost per household to the CASF was \$2,989.

Public Housing Account -- \$25 million

\$13.9 million awarded for infrastructure and adoption projects* Supporting **322 projects**, connecting 21,268 affordable housing units across 31 counties.
Providing digital literacy training to **128 locations** with 28,652 residents in total.

Rural and Regional Urban Consortia Grant -- \$25 million

\$18.2 million awarded Awarded **9 Consortia grants** in 2019 and **2 Consortia grants** in 2020, facilitating CASF Infrastructure applications to serve 44 counties to advance broadband deployment.

Broadband Adoption Account -- \$20 million

\$16.2 million awarded Supporting 205 projects serving 300,760 participants in 30 counties.

Tribal Assistance Program – up to \$5 million

\$538,000 Awarded – Supporting **9 projects** for 5 Tribes to provide technical assistance in developing market studies, feasibility studies, and/or business plans which support Tribes in their pursuit of improved communications.

AB 1665 changed program eligibility and introduced a number of key changes including:

- New Program Accounts and New Monies
 - Infrastructure Grant Account \$300 million
 - Line Extension \$5 million included
 - Will not issue any new loans under the Loan Account.
 - Consortia Account \$10 million
 - Adoption Account \$20 million

The Commission adopted final program rules for the Infrastructure, Adoption, Public Housing and Consortia accounts. A proposed decision is under consideration by the Commission for the Line Extension Account.

Wireline and Fixed Wireless Broadband Availability as of December 31, 2019

Speed Benchmarks (Mbps)	Percentage of Total Households with Broadband Availability			Unserviced Households				
				Number of Unserviced Households			Percentage of Unserviced Households	
	Urban	Rural	Statewide	Urban	Rural	Statewide	Urban	Rural
>=6/1	98.0%	82.7%	97.2%	252,604	119,143	371, 747	2.0%	17.3%
>=25/3	97.8%	73.8%	96.5%	281,507	180,922	462,4 29	2.2%	26.2%
>=100 down	97.5%	48.7%	94.9%	320,504	354,226	674,7 30	2.5%	51.3%

State operations constitute approximately 4.9% of total program FY 2017-18 budget.

A list of consortia regions and CASF Annual Reports are available at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/casf/>.

*The Public Housing Account is no longer accepting applications for grant funding.

