



## What's New!

### NYS ConnectALL office presents Broadband Deployment Initial Proposal

The ConnectALL office of in NYS has issued their initial proposal volumes 1 and 2 for their Broadband Deployment plan.

These proposals describe how the state views the most effective way to invest the \$664 million from BEAD to attract private investment and reach unserved locations through a mix of Fiber and Wireless technology – with an emphasis on Fiber.

Volume 1 details existing broadband funding, unserved and underserved locations, and community anchor institutions. As well as the challenge process for locations.

Volume 2 provides additional detail on ConnectALL's approach to project areas and selection criteria.

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### Congress proposes \$7B Affordable Connectivity extension

"...A group of U.S. senators and representatives introduced on Wednesday legislation that would provide the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) much-needed funding to keep low-income households connected.

The Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act is a bipartisan bill that would allocate an additional \$7 billion to support the program, which provides most eligible households with a \$30 per month subsidy toward fixed or mobile broadband service. The text of the bill has not been published at the time of writing.

Worries that the ACP will run out of money culminated this week when the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) revealed it will begin taking steps to [wind down the program](#). Just under \$4 billion remains in the funding pot, with the program scheduled to end by April 2024...."

Credit: Masha Abarinova of Fierce Telecom

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## About us

### WHO WE ARE

ECC Technologies was incorporated in 1995 to provide technology and communications consulting services to Educational, Community, and Corporate (ECC) clients. This was at the time when the nation's telecom-communications industry was changing drastically through deregulation.

For the past several decades, ECC has provided technology, broadband, and security consulting services to education, municipalities, government, and corporate clients.

ECC continues our mission to assist clients with the expansion of broadband and the implementation of technology and security solutions in communities to improve economic development, public safety, education, and health-care services

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### About

The 400-mile network backbone will connect all viable municipal entities, as well as key community anchor institutions (CAIs), such as business, educational, and healthcare entities. In addition, the network will be available to any viable entity in Erie County that wishes to subscribe to the network.

ECC Technologies conducted the initial study for the open-access network on behalf of Erie County in 2017. We also developed the business plan in which Erie County will operate the nearly 400-mile middle-mile fiber-optic network.

"Our firm is now 100% accountable for the success of this project," - ECC Technologies Vice President Matthew Crider.

"This is a significant undertaking for the county," said ErieNet Chairman Thomas Baines. "I think the outcome is really what's most important."

### How to get connected

If you would like to learn more about the network and how to get your community connected contact Greg Houppert at:

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