








E-rate Funding Years – Dates to Remember

| USAC Client Service Bureau: 1-888-203-8100 or create a case in the E-rate Productivity Center | Application Process | | | Recurring Services | | Non-Recurring Services | |
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| | Form 470 – Competitive Bidding  | Form 471 – Application to Request Discounts  | Form 486 – Service Start Date + CIPA Certification  | Service Dates for Category One or Two  | Invoicing Deadline (BEAR/472)  | Service Dates for Category Two Purchase/Installation  | Invoicing Deadline (BEAR/472)  |
| Funding Year 2020 (FY 2020-21) | Closed | Closed | 120 days from: FCDL or Service Start Date (whichever is later) | July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 | October 28, 2021 | April 1, 2020 to Sept. 30, 2021 | January 28, 2022 |
| Funding Year 2021 (FY 2021-22) | Closed | Closed | 120 days from: FCDL or Service Start Date (whichever is later) | July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 | October 28, 2022 | April 1, 2021 to Sept. 30, 2022 | January 28, 2023 |
| Funding Year 2022 (FY 2022-23) | July 1, 2021 to late Feb 2022 (projected) Window to open competitive bidding | Mid-January to late March 2022 (projected) Form 471 filing window | 120 days from: FCDL or Service Start Date (whichever is later) | July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 | October 28, 2023 | April 1, 2022 to Sept. 30, 2023 | January 28, 2024 |
| Notes | Most libraries open competitive bidding each year and must wait at least 28 calendar days to select vendor(s). | All libraries must file the Form 471 every year to receive a funding commitment. | All libraries must file the Form 486 to release funding for invoicing; FCDL = Funding Commitment Decision Letter | Both Category One and Two services may be recurring (ex: monthly internet) | May request one 120-day extension by the deadline† | Non-recurring = one-time purchases such as networking equipment | May request one 120-day extension by the deadline |