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ACP OUTREACH GRANT AND PILOT PROGRAMS APPLICATIONS
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The Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (Bureau) reminds potential applicants that complete applications to the Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program (ACP Outreach Grant Program) must be received electronically through Grants.gov no later than 11:59 PM Eastern Standard Time (EST) on Monday, January 9, 2023. Additionally, completed applications for the Your Home, Your Internet Pilot Program (YHYI) and the ACP Navigator Pilot Program (NPP) must be received electronically through both the USAC Application Portal (register to create an account or login) and through Grants.gov no later than 9:00 PM EST on January 9, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted. Please note the different timing for each submission deadline.

In November 2022, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) launched the ACP Outreach Grant Program to raise awareness about the nation's largest ever broadband affordability effort, the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). The ACP Outreach Grant Program provides grant funding for four complementary programs: the National Competitive Outreach Program (NCOP);[1] the Tribal Competitive Outreach Program (TCOP);[2] the YHYI Outreach Grants;[3] and the NPP Outreach Grants.[4] These programs provide new federal funding for the FCC to grant eligible governmental and non-governmental entities funding and resources needed to increase awareness of and participation in the ACP among those households most in need of affordable connectivity.

Through the ACP Outreach Grant Program, the FCC seeks to enlist and empower trusted community messengers to develop innovative outreach strategies to reach historically underserved and unserved communities. This includes providing those partners with the funding and resources needed to increase participation among eligible, low-income households.

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[1] The NCOP provides up to $60 million in available funding (information about NCOP is in the ACP Grant Program NOFO). *See* Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program, Notice of Funding Opportunity, FCC-ACOGP-23-001 (Nov. 10, 2022).

[2] The TCOP provides a minimum of $10 million in funding (information about TCOP is in the ACP Grant Program NOFO). *See id.*

[3] The Your Home, Your Internet Pilot Program (YHYI) Outreach Grants provides up to $5 million in available funding. *See* Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program – Pilot Program Grants, Notice of Funding Opportunity, FCC-ACOGP-23-002 (Nov. 21, 2022).

[4] The ACP Navigator Pilot Program (NPP) Outreach Grants provides up to $5 million in available funding. *See id.*

ACP Grant Resources for Potential Applicants:

- FY 2023 ACP Outreach Grant Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO, Funding Opportunity Number: FCC-ACOGP-23-001) with information about the grant opportunity, how to apply, the application submission process, and program requirements.
- ACP Outreach Program NOFO Frequently Asked Questions.
- Help through Grants.gov:
  - How to Register with Grants.gov – Video tutorials on how to receive a grants.gov organization identification number.
  - How to obtain a Unique Entity I.D.
  - Getting Started with Sam.gov Workspace Application.
- Information about the ACP Grant Program and ACP Pilot Programs is available by visiting fcc.gov/acp-grants. Potential applicants are encouraged to review additional resources such as pre-recorded webinars that explain the program and application submission requirements.
- The ACP Grants Leadership team is available to answer general questions about the grant program and how to apply via email at ACPgrants@fcc.gov.

For the YHYI and the NPP, complete applications must be received electronically through both the USAC Application Portal and through grants.gov no later than 9:00 PM EST on January 9, 2023.

Potential YHYI and NPP applicants are encouraged to:
- Read the *FY 2023 Pilot Program Outreach Grants NOFO* available at grants.gov (Funding Opportunity Number: FCC-ACOGP-23-002) thoroughly to better understand the grant opportunity, how to apply, application submission process, and program requirements;
- Review additional resources such as a fact sheet and frequently asked questions (FAQ) document available at fcc.gov/acp-grants and fcc.gov/acp-pilots;
- Reach out to the Pilot Team with any questions about the pilot programs at ACPPilots@fcc.gov.

YHYI and NPP applicants have the option, but are not required, to seek grant funding for their proposed pilot activities.

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