



# NUSF-117 E-Rate Special Construction Matching Program Application

## Section I: Applicant Details

**Original**

**Revised**

1. Applying entity name:		6. Applying entity contact (first and last name):	
2. Applying entity type*:		7. Telephone number:	
3. Applying entity address:		8. E-mail address:	
4. Number of eligible entities: (Typical=1)		9. Consultant Firm (if applicable):	
5. Recipients of Services:		10. Consultant contact (first and last name):	
		11. Consultant phone number:	
		12. Consultant e-mail:	

## Section II: Project Details

13. Project name:			
14. Project location(s):			
15. Estimated number served in project area:	Rural:	Urban:	Total:
16. Current network technology (i.e. fixed base wireless, DSL, cable, satellite, etc.):		18. This program requires fiber to the premises (FTTP). Are the requested services for FTTP? (Yes or No)	
17. Current maximum connection speed bandwidth (Mbps/Mbps):		19. Projected minimum connection speeds at completion (Mbps/Mbps):	

## Section III: Funding breakdown

20. Total Estimated Cost of the Project:	
21. Eligible Special Construction Related Cost Total:	
22. Estimated E-Rate Category 1 (C1) Discount (%)*:	
23. Estimated NUSF-117 Match % (up to 70%):	
24. Estimated Additional USAC E-Rate match for Special Construction (up to 10%):	
25. NUSF-117 Grant Amount Requested (Field 21x23):	
26. Estimated Project Completion Date:	
27. Monthly Recurring Cost (for Field 19):	

\*See attached USAC discount matrix.

## Section IV: Project Details

### Attach:

*FCC Form 470.*

*Copy of the selected bid response*

*Letter of Agency (if applicable).*

*Other supporting documentation (if applicable).*

**APPLICANT CERTIFICATION:** By signing this statement, the applicant certifies that the information submitted on the application and all supporting documents is true and correct. In addition, the applicant agrees to perform and adhere to all grant requirements, and to comply with all state and federal regulations and requirements pertaining to this program.

---

Printed Name of Authorized Person

Date

---

Title of Authorized Person

---

Signature of Authorized Person



## NUSF-117 E-Rate Special Construction State Matching Grant Program Application

### Form Field Descriptions:

Field #	Field Description
<b>Section I: Applicant Details</b>	
1.	The name of the school or library applying for funding.
2.	Entity type is either a school or a library.
3.	Address of school/library applying for funding.
4.	Number of eligible entities represented by this application. Typical = 1
5.	Recipients of Services: Will additional buildings be served by this circuit? If not, duplicate Field #1.
6.	The name of the contact person for questions related to the application and the overall project.
7.	Phone number of school/library applying for funding.
8.	E-mail address of contact person identified in field #6.
9.	Consultant firm to apply for your school/library E-rate funds? Name of Firm or N/A if not.
10.	Name of consultant contact person or N/A.
11.	Phone number of consultant contact person or N/A
12.	E-mail of consultant contact person or N/A
<b>Section II: Project Details</b>	
13.	Descriptive name given to the project.
14.	City/town project is located in.
15.	Enter the estimated number of rural residents and then city/town residents. Enter total of these two in the total field. If you are a library please enter your LSA (legal service area).
16.	How does your school/library connect to the internet? Cable, DSL, Satellite, Fixed-base wireless
17.	Current maximum connection speed bandwidth (Mbps): For schools, provide the current maximum speeds available at the school in Mbps (download)/Mbps (upload). For libraries, provide the current maximum speeds available at the library as reported in your library's most recent Annual Library Survey.
18.	This field confirms that the requested services are for fiber construction (Yes or No).
19.	What is the internet speed that the school or library will be requesting after the fiber installation is complete?
<b>Section III: Funding breakdown</b>	
20.	Total Estimated Cost of the Fiber Construction Project: Total upfront or non-recurring costs
21.	Eligible Special Construction Related Cost Total: Itemize and subtotal the Construction of Network Facilities, Design and Engineering, Project Management, if known.
22.	Estimated E-Rate Category 1 Discount (%)*: Use the attached USAC Discount Matrix to determine the school/library E-Rate Category 1 Discount or transfer the assigned discount from the USAC E-rate Productivity Center (EPC).
23.	Estimated NUSF-117 Match % (up to 70%): Use the estimated NUSF-117 match percentage for the non-discounted charges not funded by the USAC C1 discount and additional USAC E-Rate match.
24.	Estimated Additional USAC E-Rate match for Special Construction (up to 10%): Enter the estimated additional USAC E-Rate discount. This amount is the additional match percentage provided by USAC/FCC based upon receipt of state E-Rate matching funds, up to an additional 10%.
25.	NUSF-117 Grant Amount Requested: Calculate the NUSF-117 grant amount by multiplying field 21 by 23.
26.	Estimated Project Completion Date: The estimated project completion date or Service Start Date will be located on your Form 470. Default = June 30, 202X
27.	Monthly Recurring Cost: Enter the bid cost from the Form 470 or RFP response, inclusive of all taxes and fees.
<b>Section IV: Project Details</b>	
Please include the following types of details in your description about the project: Patron or student bandwidth needs, description of community support, Ability to sustain the monthly recurring costs over the duration of the contract with the provider.	

## USAC Discount Matrix

Applicants use the discount matrix to determine the correct discount level for a school district or library system. To receive discounts on eligible equipment and services, an applicant must calculate the percentage discount that it (and the entities it represents) is eligible to receive. See the [Calculating Discounts](#) page for more information.

<b>INCOME</b> Measured by % of students eligible for the National School Lunch Program (NS LP)	CATEGORY ONE (C1)		CATEGORY TWO (C2)	
	<b>URBAN</b> Discount	<b>RURAL</b> Discount	<b>URBAN</b> Discount	<b>RURAL</b> Discount
Less than 1%	20%	25%	20%	25%
1% to 19%	40%	50%	40%	50%
20% to 34%	50%	60%	50%	60%
35% to 49%	60%	70%	60%	70%
50% to 74%	80%	80%	80%	80%
75% to 100%	90%	90%	85%	85%

Source: <https://www.usac.org/e-rate/applicant-process/applying-for-discounts/calculating-discounts/>

## NUSF-117 State Match Percent

In funding year 2024, the amount an applicant can request in NUSF-117 state matching funds depends upon their E-rate Category 1 (C1) discount, as follows:

E-rate Program Category One (C1) Discount Rate	NUSF-117 Nebraska State Match % for Non-Discounted Charges	Additional USAC E-Rate Match for Fiber Special Construction Projects
90%	5%	Up to an additional 5%
80%	10%	Up to an additional 10%
70%	20%	Up to an additional 10%
60%	30%	Up to an additional 10%
50%	40%	Up to an additional 10%
40%	50%	Up to an additional 10%
25%	65%	Up to an additional 10%
20%	70%	Up to an additional 10%

NOTE: The total support from the FCC’s E-Rate Special Construction program combined with the support provided through Nebraska’s NUSF-117 program may not exceed 100% of eligible special construction costs.