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E-Rate Executive Summary
YPI Charter Schools (BEN: 16067473)
As of 10/8/2019

Overview

This report provides a high-level recap of status for up to three (3) E-Rate Funding Years, with highlights and application details. Additional background information is provided to support training and continuity among Applicant's and Consultant's E-Rate contributors.

YPI Charter Schools [YPI] partnered with Learningtech.org in January of 2012 to support efforts to apply for and receive the funding benefits of the Federal E-Rate Program. YPI's annual fixed fee engagement of Learningtech.org for Standard E-Rate Management Services includes:

- E-Rate application preparation and compliance assistance services for the upcoming E-Rate funding year

- Ongoing E-Rate management services to follow-up on funding requests [FRNs] for up to two prior funding years

Learningtech.org works with the Universal Services Administrative Company [USAC] on its client's behalf to maintain consistent communications and ensure compliance with Program rules and timely responses to USAC inquiries. As of FY2016, most FCC forms and E-Rate processes must be completed within the USAC E-Rate Productivity Center [EPC] portal.

Please also see Client Participation Expectations.

Background

General Description

YPI Charter Schools is a Charter Management Organization set up as a district in EPC. Comprised of three schools and one non-instructional facility [NIF] for a total of four sites, YPI serves approximately 1000 students in the Pacoima and Pico Union/Westlake communities of Los Angeles [source: www.ypics.org].
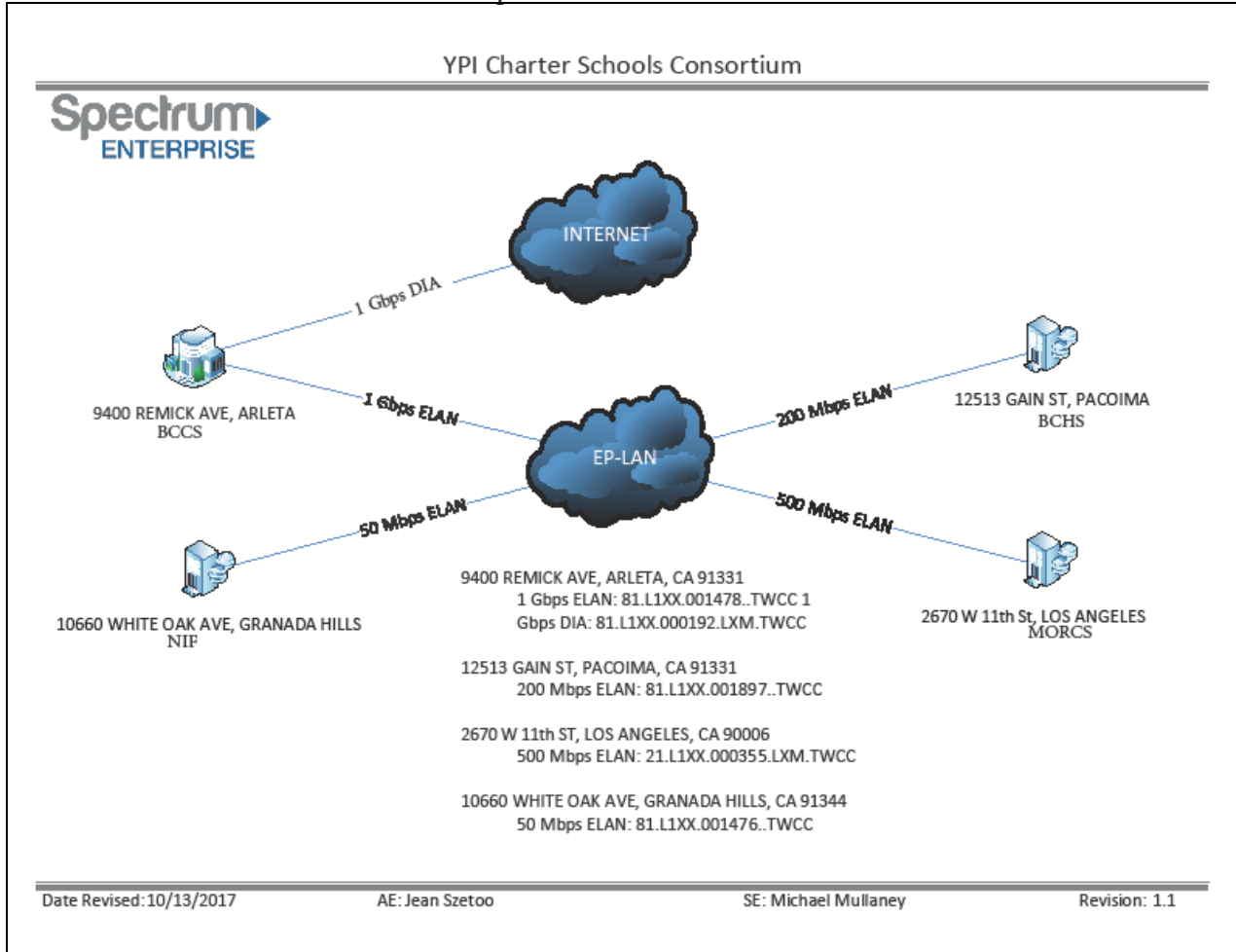
Network Topology

BCCS has a 1 Gbps direct Internet connection and a 1 Gbps WAN connection.
BCHS has a 200 Mbps WAN connection to BCCS.
MORCS has a 500 Mbps WAN connection to BCCS.
The Administrative Office has a 50 Mbps WAN connection to BCCS.

YPI Charter Schools Consortium

Spectrum ENTERPRISE

INTERNET

1 Gbps DIA

9400 REMICK AVE, ARLETA
BCCS

1 Gbps ELAN

EP-LAN

200 Mbps ELAN

12513 GAIN ST, PACOIMA
BCHS

50 Mbps ELAN

500 Mbps ELAN

10660 WHITE OAK AVE, GRANADA HILLS
NIF

9400 REMICK AVE, ARLETA, CA 91331
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Gbps DIA: 81.L1XX.000192.LXM.TWCC

12513 GAIN ST, PACOIMA, CA 91331
200 Mbps ELAN: 81.L1XX.001897..TWCC

2670 W 11th ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90006
500 Mbps ELAN: 21.L1XX.000355.LXM.TWCC

10660 WHITE OAK AVE, GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344
50 Mbps ELAN: 81.L1XX.001476..TWCC

2670 W 11th St, LOS ANGELES
MORCS

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Highlights

This section recaps E-Rate applications for the past several years. In the following tables:

- "c1" refers to Category 1, which includes these eligible services: Data Transmission and/or Internet Access
- "c2" refers to Category 2, which includes these eligible services: Internal Connections, Managed Internal Broadband Services, Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections

FY2017

471 #	471 Nickname	Original Total Cost	Original Funding Request	Funding Committed	Discounts Disbursed
171018641	ypi_y20_471_c1_cont	$12,250.80	$3,675.24	$3,675.24	$3,675.24
171027213	ypi_y20_471_c1	$87,903.00	$71,608.50	$101,853.50	$93,227.82
Total		**$100,153.80**	**$75,283.74**	**$105,528.74**	**$96,903.06**

Notes:

- App #171018641 – FCDL issued 7/21/2017, with discount rate of 30% for voice service
- App #171027213 – FCDL issued 11/17/2017, with discount rate of 30% for voice service and 90% for Data Transmission and/or Internet Access
  - Funding requests for continuing services were initially omitted from the application resulting in only $87K cost and $71K requested funding; these should have been $123K and $103K, respectively
  - For FRN 1799108697 (ypi_y20_internet_twc), both cost and committed funding were reduced by about $2K after these changes were made in application review:
    - The FRN Line Item 1 cost was modified from $1,795.00 per month to $2,087.59 per month to agree with the applicant documentation
    - The FRN Line Item 2 cost was modified from $1,700.00 per month to $1,977.10 per month to agree with the applicant documentation
    - The FRN Line Item 3 cost was modified from $1,600.00 per month to $1,860.80 per month to agree with the applicant documentation
    - The FRN Line Item 4 cost was modified from $1,188.00 to $1,381.64 per month to agree with the applicant documentation
    - The Service Start Date was changed from 7/1/2017 to 9/1/2017 to agree with the documentation provided during the review of the FCC Form 471
- Some delays in implementation resulted in less actual charge and proportionately less discounts. Per vendors all FRN discounts are fully disbursed

FY2018 (7/1/18 – 6/30/19)

471 #	471 Nickname	Original Total Cost	Original Funding Request	Funding Committed	Discounts Disbursed
181016791	ypi_y21_471_c1_cont	$99,936.36	$80,142.08	$80,142.08	$22,613.58
181021497	ypi_y21_471_c1	$42,611.88	$33,349.09	$42,529.09	$38,950.82
181021498	ypi_y21_471_c2	$75,093.25	$63,829.26	$46,590.54	$46,590.53
Total		**$217,641.49**	**$177,320.43**	**$169,261.71**	**$108,154.93**

Notes:
- App #181016791 – FCDL issued 7/20/2018, with discount rate of 10% for voice service and 90% for Data Transmission and/or Internet Access
    - FRN 1899038171 (ypi_y21_twc_internet) discounts are only 27% of expected. We are following up with Charter to be sure all account numbers were submitted for discounts
- App #181021497 – FCDL issued 6/15/2018, with discount rate of 10% for voice service and 90% for Data Transmission and/or Internet Access
    - For FRN1899072871 (ypi_y21_charter_internet_wan_morcs) the following changes took place prior to funding:
        - BERT CORONA CHARTER SCHOOL has been added to the FRN as a recipients of service at the request of the applicant
        - The FRN was modified from $10,200.00 to $20,400.00 to agree with RAL request
        - The Contract Expiration Date was changed from 6/30/2021 to 6/30/2022 to agree with the documentation provided during the review of the FCC Form 471
- App #181021498 – FCDL issued 8/31/2018, with discount rate of 85% for Data Transmission and/or Internet Access
    - For FRN 1899071839 (ypi_y21_aaa_nwcomponents) the following changes were made prior to funding:
        - The funding request amount was reduced from $71,889.94 to $52,233.55 to remove the amount that exceeded the Category Two budget set for the following entity: MONSENOR OSCAR ROMERO CHARTER SCHOOL, #16066996
- Per 10/7/19 email from vendor, SPI invoicing of USAC is still in progress.

FY2019 (7/1/19 – 6/30/20)

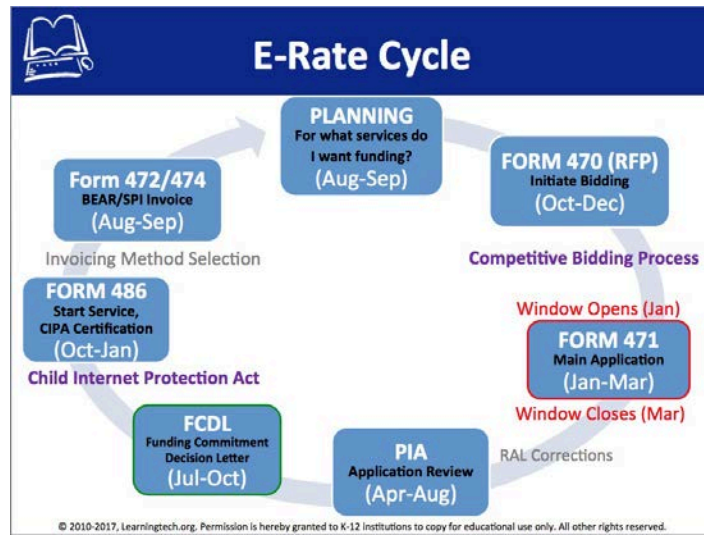| 471 #	471 Nickname	Original Total Cost	Original Funding Request	Funding Committed	Discounts Disbursed
191000948	ypi_y22_471_c1_cont	$100,320.24	$90,288.21	$90,288.21	$2,726.99

Notes:
- App #191000948 – FCDL issued 6/20/2019, with discount rate of 90%
- The required Form 486 was submitted on 6/20/19
- The required SPI selection step was completed on 6/24/19. The submission will be verified on against FY2018 findings

References

E-Rate deadlines are exacting, and often challenging, particularly if competitive bidding for a large project is required first and board approvals are required for vendor selections. The following references describe the E-Rate process.

E-Rate Cycle

The E-Rate Cycle includes the following steps. At any time, tasks for 3 overlapping funding years are typically active. Each year the E-Rate application-filing window varies slightly. Usually, it is January to March preceding the start of the Funding Year. Exact dates for each funding year filing window are posted on USAC's website, generally with a few weeks notice.

Application Process

The Schools and Libraries (E-Rate) Program APPLICATION PROCESS is described by 4 phases (https://www.usac.org/_res/documents/sl/pdf/handouts/application-process-flow-chart.pdf).