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 Official guidance can come only from the FCC and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), the nonprofit that handles daily administration of E-rate and other Universal Service programs.
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 What I present is correct to the best of my knowledge at the time of the presentation.

FUNDING YEARS & IMPORTANT DATES

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E-RATE FUNDING YEARS

Download latest chart from KDLA E-rate page:

https://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/programs/e-rate/Pages/Funding-Years.aspx

E-rate Funding Years - Dates to Remember

KDLA E-rate support: Lauren Abner lauren.abner @ky.gov or 502-564- 1728	Application Process			Recurring Services		Non-Recurring Services	
	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 <i>or</i> 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 deadline TBD	Mid-January to late March 2022 dates TBD	120 days from: FCDL <i>or</i> 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

TIMELINE FOR FY 2022

Competitive Bidding for FY 2022 services

- Opened July 1, 2021 (Form 470 released)
- Last date to open competitive bidding: February 25, 2022 (projected date not finalized)

When Services Will Happen for FY 2022

- Recurring Services: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023
 - Includes: Category One monthly internet access or transport services;
 Category Two basic maintenance of eligible equipment)
- Non-recurring Services: April 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023
 - One-time Category Two purchase/installation



The 'administrative window' to update entity profiles will remain open until shortly before the start of the Form 471 filing window.

- Has a branch's address, phone #, or square footage changed?
 - Update information in the <u>E-rate Productivity Center</u>
 - If the square footage will change before September 30, 2023 due to construction, make sure you have documentation to verify the new square footage before the Form 471 for Category Two is filed.
- Are you opening or closing branches during FY 2022?
 - Obtain entity numbers for new branches
 - Consider permanently canceling entity numbers for closed branches once all E-rate invoicing for that branch has been completed.

E-RATE ELIGIBLE SERVICES LIST

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THE ELIGIBLE SERVICES LIST

- The full E-rate Eligible Services List can be downloaded from the USAC website: https://www.usac.org/e-rate/applicant-process/before-you-begin/eligible-services-list/
- Eligible services are separated into two broad categories:
 - Category One: Connectivity to the Building
 - Category Two: Connectivity to the Device

Funding Year 2022 draft Eligible Services List, August 27, 2021: https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/08271793205666/DA-21-1062A1.pdf

CATEGORY ONE

Internet Access & Data Transmission Services

- Monthly Internet service for branch buildings, including installation fiber or non-fiber (cable, DSL, satellite, etc.)
 - Fees for static IP addresses are eligible as part of your library's internet access
 - Fees for "basic termination equipment, such as a cable modem, CSU/DSU, network interface device, or copper-to-fiber converter" may be eligible as part of your library's internet access.
- Leased data lines (T1, lit fiber, dark fiber, etc.)
- Cellular data (hotspot service) for bookmobile only
- Self-provisioned broadband networks (owned/operated by applicant)
- Network Equipment required to make data transmission and/or internet access functional (ex: modulating electronics)

Recurring service dates for Funding Year 2022:
July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

No budget limit on Category One requests

CATEGORY TWO - IC

Internal Connections

- Cabling (bulk cabling, drops, patch cables, cabling installation/removal)
- Switches (hardware, licenses, transceivers, other modules)
- Routers† (hardware**, licenses**, transceivers, other modules)
- Wireless Access points (hardware, licenses)
- Wireless controller systems
- Firewalls (hardware, licenses**)
- UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply/battery backup)**
- Racks**
- Caching services or equipment
- Antennas, connectors, & related components
- Software supporting components on the list used to distribute broadband through the library

FY 2022 Early Installation: April 1, 2022 FY 2022 Late Installation: September 30, 2023

These eligible functions can be virtualized in the cloud or combined in equipment (like routing and switching).

- **Some restrictions apply depending on usage, ineligible security components, etc.
- † For a router leased from the internet service provider, your library may need to bid for Category Two Internal Connections for Function: Router. See Q9 of FAQs: Eligible Fiber Services

CATEGORY TWO - BMIC & MIBS

Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections

- Repair and upkeep of eligible hardware (even if not purchased through E-rate)
- Wire and cable maintenance
- Configuration changes
- Basic technical support including online and telephone based technical support
- Software upgrades and patches including bug fixes and security patches

Managed Internal Broadband Services (MIBS)

 3rd party operation, management, and monitoring of eligible broadband internal connections (ex: managed Wi-Fi)



Funds for Learning has a good explanation of <u>Basic Maintenance of Internal</u> Connections (BMIC).

MISCELLANEOUS

May fall under Category One or Two:

- Some taxes, surcharges, and other similar, reasonable charges
 - Federal Access Recovery Charge on internet invoices permissible charge for use of a local carriers network; not all ISPs charge this
 - USF fees on internet invoices "customer charges for universal service fees, but do not include additional charges for universal service administration"
- Rental or lease fees for eligible components
- Shipping
- Training only for new equipment purchased with Cat2 funds
- Installation and configuration
 - May be performed by a 3rd party rather than the vendor who sold the equipment

DUPLICATIVE SERVICES

Caution – E-rate does <u>not</u> provide discounts for services that are considered duplicative. Example: internet access that is used as backup, redundancy, failover, etc.

If the connections serve different populations (internet for public, internet for staff), they may both be considered E-rate eligible.

§22 of the <u>Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the E-rate program</u> addresses duplicative services:

"Funding of Duplicative Services In the Universal Service Order, the Commission indicated that an applicant's request for discounts should be based on the reasonable needs and resources of the applicant, and bids for services should be evaluated based on cost-effectiveness. Pursuant to this requirement, the Administrator has denied discounts for duplicative services. Duplicative services are services that deliver the same functionality to the same population in the same location during the same period of time. We emphasize that requests for discounts for duplicative services will be rejected on the basis that such applications cannot demonstrate, as required by our rules, that that they are reasonable or cost effective." [emphasis mine]

CIPA COMPLIANCE



Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) compliance:

- Necessary if requesting E-rate discounts for Internet Access or any Category Two products & services
 - Exception: CIPA compliance not required when requesting Telecommunications services only (ex: transport only for WAN circuit between library branches)
- 3 elements of compliance:
 - Technology Protection Measure (filter)
 - Internet Safety Policy
 - Public Meeting prior to adopting Internet Safety Policy
- View archived training from KDLA check E-rate section: https://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/staffdevelopment/kdlaarchivedwebi nars/Pages/default.aspx

COMPETITIVE BIDDING OVERVIEW

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COMPETITIVE BIDDING



On the Form 470, applicants describe the E-rate eligible services needed in the next funding year. Potential service providers have at least 28 calendar days to respond with bids.

- No decision about which service provider to use can be made before 28 calendar days has elapsed.
- You can wait longer if you want; you must wait longer if you release an RFP document with a later due date.

Filing a Form 470 does <u>not</u> obligate an applicant to sign contracts or accept E-rate funding.

OPEN & FAIR PROCESS

- Open and fair competitive bidding is a core principle of the E-rate program
- From the USAC website:
 - "Open" means there are no secrets in the process such as information shared with one bidder but not with others and that all bidders know what is required of them.
 - "Fair" means that all bidders are treated the same and that no bidder has advance knowledge of the project information.
 - Never share pricing information or tell vendors who else is bidding.

PRI¢E I\$ PARAMOUNT

E-rate applicants are required to select the most cost-effective solution for services.

- E-rate eligible cost must be assigned the highest point value in the bid evaluation.
 - E-rate ineligible costs can be considered in the bid evaluation, but at a lower point value than eligible costs.
- The least-expensive solution doesn't always win the bid evaluation; it may not score well on factors other than cost.

BIG CHANGES ON FY 2022 FORM 470

- Service requests for Category One no longer require applicants to specify fiber or non-fiber for the type of connections.
- To create Category One service requests, applicants select from 3 series of statements to reflect the type of services being requested.
- Narrative language will be important for applicants that want only a certain type of connection for a library branch.
- More details will be provided in the <u>Form 470 Walkthrough</u>.

FROM SERVICE REQUESTS TO FUNDING REQUESTS

- Having both the correct service requests and 470 narrative language will be important during application review. Libraries should review the <u>revised examples KDLA will post on the</u> <u>Form 470 Competitive Bidding examples page</u>.
- The Form 470 service requests must encompass the details of the services your library will list on the Form 471 application. For example, your library can't request discounts on a bandwidth that is higher than the maximum bandwidth capacity on the Form 470 or for a type of circuit that wasn't listed on the Form 470.
 - See next slide for examples

COVERING YOUR REAR FORTHE FORM 471

Funding Requests on the Form 471 application for discounts

- If my library will make funding requests for discounts on:
 - Fiber internet access or fiber transport circuits
 - Cable or DSL internet access
 - Bookmobile hotspot service
- If a library branch or the bookmobile will be a recipient of service on the application

Service Requests on the Form 470 for competitive bidding

- Then the Form 470 must include service requests for:
 - Internet Access and Data Transmission Service
 - Internet Access and Data Transmission Service
 - Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service
- Then the branch and address must be included in the competitive bidding information

BUSINESS-CLASS INTERNET BIDDING EXEMPTION

A Form 470 for internet access is <u>not</u> necessary if ALL these conditions are met:

- Bandwidth is at least 100 Mbps download and 10 Mbps upload
- Provides basic conduit access to the Internet at those required minimum speeds
- Pre-discount cost is less than \$3600 annually (\$300/month) for each eligible entity, including any installation or other eligible fees
- Service and price are commercially available to nonresidential customers



CONTRACTS

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CONTRACT EXPIRING?

Are any of your contracts for E-rate eligible recurring services such as internet or cellular data for the bookmobile set to expire before June 30, 2023?

- If Yes, you must bid again for these services on a Funding Year 2022 Form 470
- Recurring services purchased month-to-month or by tariff agreements must be bid <u>every</u> year.
- You should also bid again if your library is still under contract but needs to sign new paperwork to make upgrades with your provider.
- •WHEN IN DOUBT, BID AGAIN.

YOUR LIBRARY'S PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES

Does your library board need to review contracts before they are signed?

- If so, keep in mind the board meeting dates in late 2021 and early 2022.
- Once the Form 471 filing deadline is set...
 - Look up the date for the last board meeting that will occur before the projected Form 471 deadline (March 25, 2022)
 - Plan to file all Forms 470 for competitive bidding at least 5 weeks prior to this board meeting. (Sooner is better!)

ALREADY UNDER CONTRACT?

Q: My library wants to receive E-rate support for Funding Year 2022, but we have an ongoing contract that wasn't approved for E-rate discounts in a previous funding year. Is it possible to get E-rate for that service?

A: Yes, but there are some provisos:

- The existing contract must <u>honestly</u> win the bid evaluation.
- You must memorialize the contract with a new E-rate "Contract Award Date"—you'll sign and date the contract again to show that it won the bid evaluation at some date after the 28 calendar day competitive bidding period.
- THIS IS NOT THE IDEAL WAY TO DO E-RATE The best practice is to file a Form 470, wait at least 28 calendar days, evaluate bids, and then sign a new contract. Any deviation from this best practice complicates how you enter data on forms.

MODEL PROCUREMENT

- Most Kentucky libraries follow the Kentucky Model Procurement Code
 - The library board must adopt the MPC as its official way to purchase, and this step was likely taken many years ago (the MPC is 40+ years old).
 - Spelled out in Kentucky Revised Statutes 45A.345—.460
 - Must receive competitive sealed bids for contracts and purchases over \$30,000. A notice must be given in a newspaper <u>or</u> through an internet post at least 7 days before the date set for the opening of bids. The bids must be opened publicly in an announced location and the contract awarded to either the lowest bidder or the bidder submitting the <u>lowest</u> <u>evaluated bid price</u>. (See <u>KRS 45A.365</u>)

KRS 424.260(1)

- If your library doesn't follow the Model Procurement Code, then purchases over \$30,000 must be bid per KRS 424.260(1)
 - Must also advertise the bid per KRS 424.130
 - You need only advertise once, but may advertise two or more times provided that at least one advertisement is carried between 7 and 21 days before the close of bidding. The advertisement must include a description of what is to be bid, the time and place for receipt of bids, and any special terms of the sale.

FORM 470 BOILERPLATE

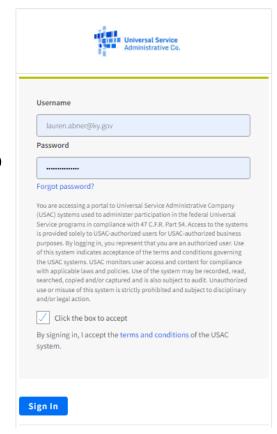
- The Form 470 contains a field for state and local procurement information. Here's some boilerplate for you to use:
 - For MPC libraries: The Kentucky Model Procurement Code (Kentucky Revised Statutes 45A.345-.460) requires bids for contracts and purchases over \$30,000. See https://legislature.ky.gov/Law/Statutes/Pages/default.aspx
 - For non-MPC libraries: Kentucky Revised Statute 424.260(1) requires bids for contracts and purchases over \$30,000. See https://legislature.ky.gov/Law/Statutes/Pages/default.aspx

E-RATE PRODUCTIVITY CENTER: UPDATING LIBRARY PROFILES

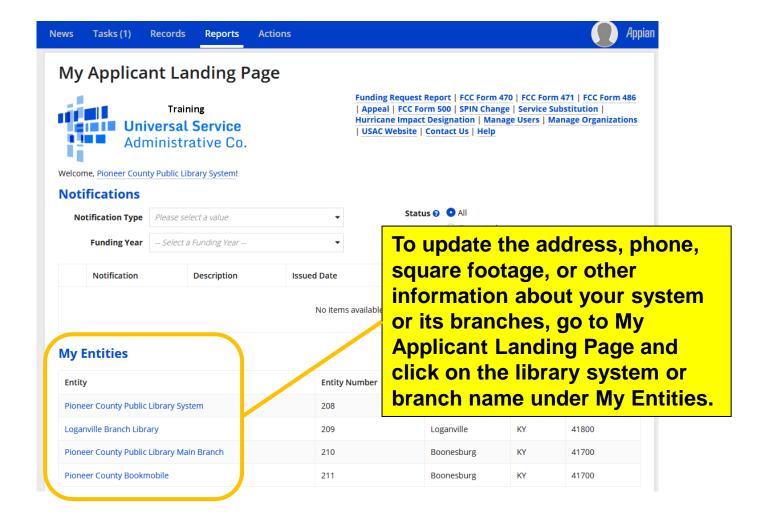
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E-RATE PRODUCTIVITY CENTER

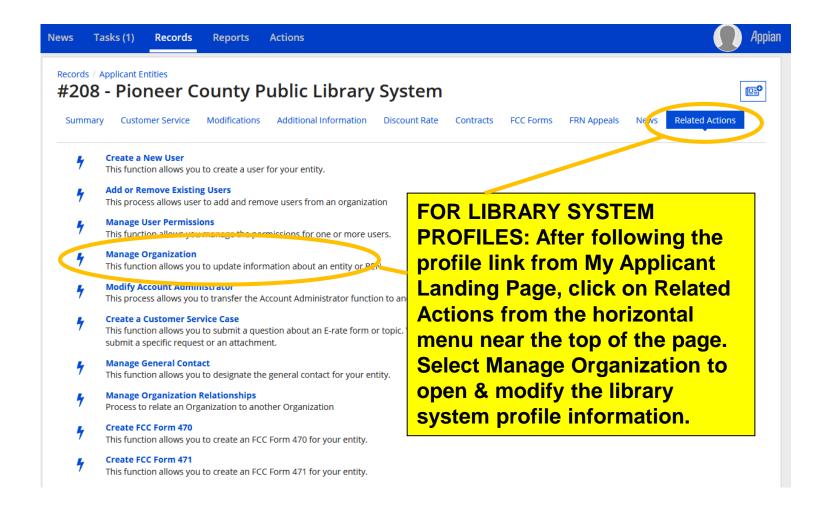
- To set up an account or if you have login issues: call the USAC Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100
 - Must select a staff member to act as account administrator. Once the administrator is set up in EPC, they can add more users for your library.
- Two ways to get to EPC portal:
 - Go to https://forms.universalservice.org/portal/login
 - Go to main E-rate website
 (https://www.usac.org/e-rate/) and click on blue Sign In button near the top of the page.



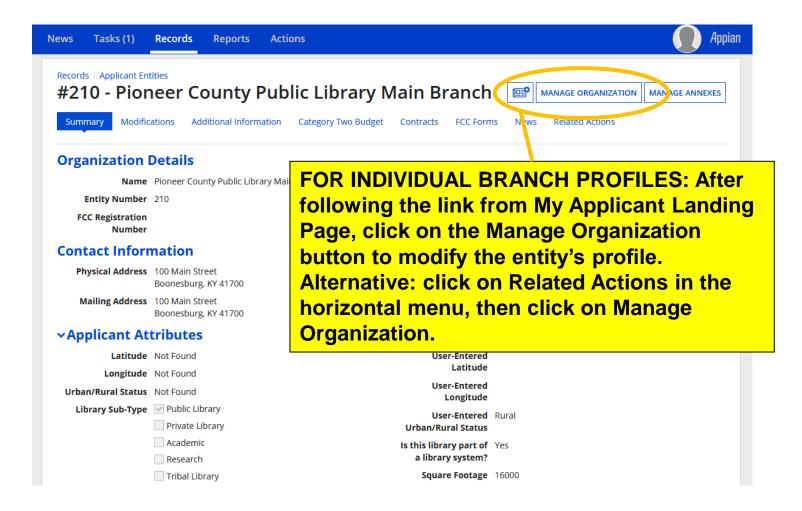
UPDATING PROFILES



UPDATING LIBRARY SYSTEM PROFILE



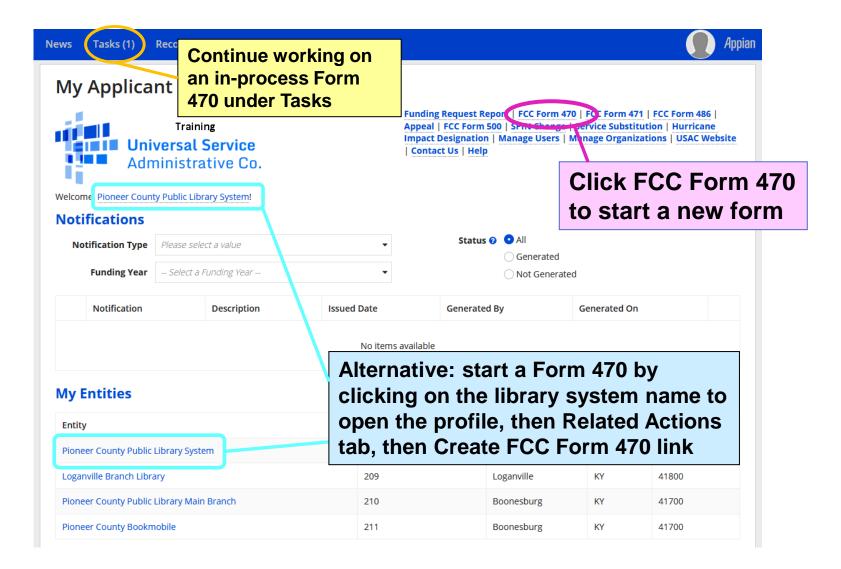
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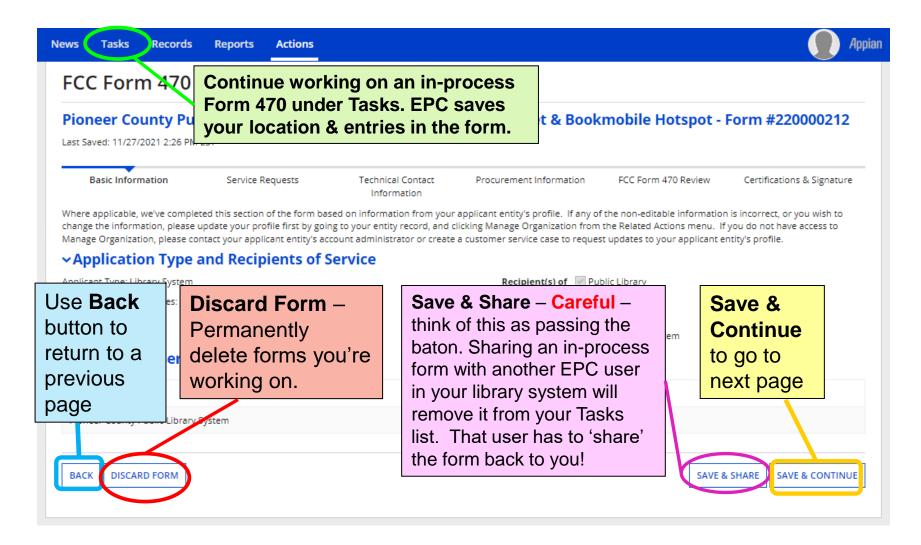
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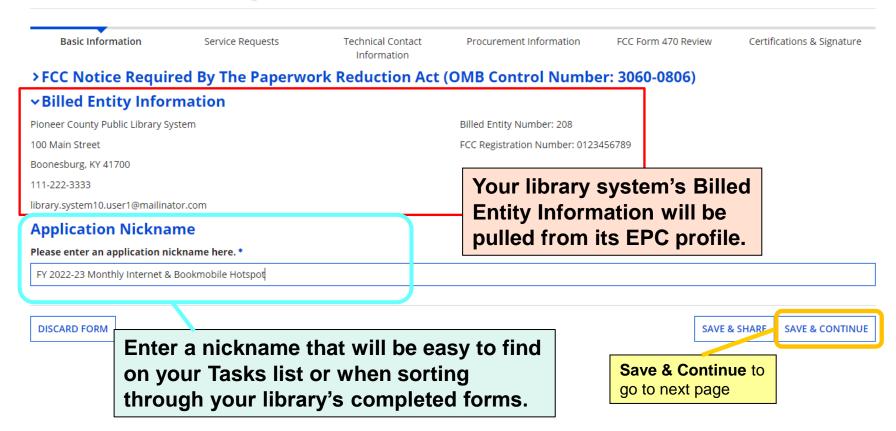


FORM 470 – NAVIGATION

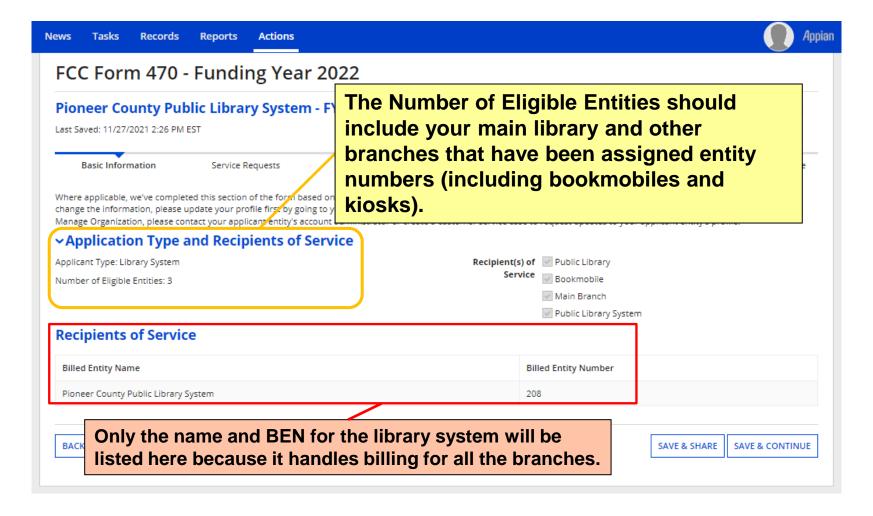


FORM 470 – BASIC INFORMATION (1/3)

FCC Form 470 - Funding Year 2022



FORM 470 – BASIC INFORMATION (2/3)



FORM 470 – BASIC INFORMATION (3/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications & Signature

Next, you will identify the individuals assisting in seeking E-rate support.

Consultant Information

There are currently no consulting firms associ

If you select Yes, your contact info will automatically appear. If you select No, you can search for other users with EPC accounts associated with your library.

file.

Contact Information

Are you the main contact person?



Lauren Abner

library.system10.user1@mailinator.com

502-564-1728

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DISCARD FORM

SAVE & SHARE

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FORM 470 – CATEGORY OF SERVICE + RFP DOCUMENTS

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CATEGORY(S) OF SERVICE

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information

Procurement

FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications &

Next, you will identify the category(s) of service requested.

Visit our website for more information on how to file the FCC Form 470

Category(s) of Service

What are the category(s) of service that you are requesting?

CATEGORY 1 √

Data Transmission and/or Internet Access

Select which Categories of Service you want to request on this form. You can file separate forms for each or file for both Categories on the same form—your choice.

CATEGORY 2

- Internal Connections
- Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections
- Managed Internal Broadband Services

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SAVE & CONTINUE

NOTE ON RFP DOCS

USAC uses the terms 'RFP' or 'request for proposal' for any documents that further describe an applicant's needs. RFPs can be useful when making extensive requests and are required by Erate program rules for certain requests.

- Applicants must upload RFP documents:
 - If such documents have been issued as part of the procurement you have to upload all RFP documents in EPC, not merely provide a link to where they are posted elsewhere.
 - **To request cellular data for the bookmobile: USAC requires RFPs for cellular data that include a description of the service requested ('placeholder' RFPs aren't allowed). Templates for bookmobile data RFPs can be downloaded from the KDLA Form 470 Competitive Bidding Examples page.
 - To make Category One service requests for other Functions including "Leased Dark Fiber and Leased Lit Fiber"; "Self-Provisioned Network and Services Provided Over Third-Party Networks"; "Maintenance & Operations"; and 'Other'.

UPLOADING RFPs (1/2)

Service Requests Basic Information Technical Contact Certifications & Procurement FCC Form 470 Review Information Information Signature If you are using RFPs for any of the requested services, start by uploading them all first. RFPs for Service Requests Is there a RFP for any of the services you are requesting? Please upload all RFPs for the services you are requesting. ? Bookmobile hotspot RFP template for device only DOCX - 30.11 KB YES 🗸 NO Drop file here UPLOAD You must upload your actual RFP document, Uploading a document with a hyperlink to another website, including bid management sites, is not sufficient and can lead to funding denial. You must answer the RFP question to Upload button allows you move forward; if you To remove an RFP to select documents from indicate Yes, options document, hover over the your computer. Most file for uploading files document icon formats, including zip files, will appear. are accepted. Note: EPC and click when it turns into doesn't allow certain an X special characters such as hyphens in the file name.

UPLOADING RFPs (2/2)

Basic Information Service Requests Technical Contact FCC Form 470 Review Certifications & Procurement Information Information Signature Next, you will indicate whether RFPs are applicable across a category. RFPs for Service Requests If applicable, please select the RFP(s) that apply to all new category ONE services. Bookmobile hotspot RFP template for device only This selection will only apply to new service requests. Selecting and deselecting RFPs above will not affect service requests already added to this FCC Form 470. BACK DISCARD FORM SAVE & SHARE **SAVE & CONTINUE** You can automatically attach the uploaded RFP to ALL service requests in the selected Category of Service. Most libraries won't do this for Category One requests, but it's common for extensive Category Two equipment upgrades.

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ADDING SERVICE REQUESTS

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information Use the blue Add New Service Request button to start a new service request.

Next, you will describe the services you are requesting.

Service Requests: Category One

There are currently no Category One service requests. Please enter the service requests below by selecting 'Add New Service Request'.

ADD NEW SERVICE REQUEST

FIT SERVICE REQUEST

REMOVE SERVICE REQUEST

Narrative

If you would like to provide further detail about the services or equipment sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples include:

- · Any disqualification factors;
- · Additional details about the eligible locations that will be receiving these services; or
- Other information about the services requested that would help bidders develop bids that are responsive to your needs.

TYPE OR COPY/PASTE YOUR CATEGORY ONE NARRATIVE HERE

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DISCARD FOR

If you aren't using an RFP, the Narrative field for each Category allows you to more fully describe your needs to potential service providers. (See later section, Form 470: Crafting a Narrative).

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EDIT OR REMOVE SERVICE REQUESTS

Service Requests: Category One

Please enter the service requests below by selecting 'Add New Service Request'.

Service Type	Function	Function Other Description	Minimum Capacity	Maximum Capacity	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Leased Lit Fiber (with or without Internet Access)		To edit or remove a service request,						
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Leased Lit Fiber (with or without Internet Access)		Check the box in the far-left column. You can edit/remove only 1 service request at a time.						
data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Internet Access and Transport Bundled (Non- Fiber)		25 Mbps	100 Mbps	1	1	Circuits	Yes	
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service		5 Mbps	25 Mbps	1	1	Lines	Yes	Template bookmobile data RFP FY2019

ADD NEW SERVICE REQUES

EDIT SERVICE REQUEST

REMOVE SERVICE REQUEST

Select 'Edit Service Request' to re-open and make changes to a service request. Select 'Remove Service Request' to delete a service request entirely.

NARRATIVE & INSTALLMENT PLAN

Narrative

If you would like to provide further detail about the services sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples of levels that you are seeking, additional descriptions of the services bidders should be aware of or any disquelificat

For all service requests, the vendor must have a Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/Form 498 IL) or the access (leased lit fiber or non-fiber) that do not include the service delivery address will be considered nor -response DELIVERY ADDRESSES

Pioneer County Public Library has 3 eligible entities for Category One: The Main Library located at 100 Ma 1 Stre located at 300 Tulip Poplar Lane, Loganville, KY 41800; and the library bookmobile which operates from the QTY 1 CIRCUIT FOR MAIN LIBRARY, LEASED LIT FIBER BUNDLED WITH INTERNET ACCESS. The main library current gigabit. Please quote all download speeds between 100 Mbps and 1 gigabit over a fiber circuit available for this laxes and other surcharges. Preferred service start date is July 1, 2020.

QTY 1 CIRCUIT FOR LOGANVILLE BRANCH LIBRARY, EITHER LEASED LIT FIBER BUNDLED WITH INTERNET A CESS (NON-FIBER). The Loganville branch currently has 25xc Mbps cable internet; desired speed is 200 Mbps fiver int Mbps and 200 Mbps with circuit (fiber or non-fiber) available for this location, fees for 5 static IP addresse, and 6

start date is July 1, 2020.
QTY 1 HOTSPOT FOR BOOKMOBILE, CELLULAR DATA PLAN/AIR CARD SERVICE. Please see RFP document for details of this request. Preferred service start date is July 1,

2020.
PHONE SERVICE FOR MAIN BRANCH AND LOGANVILLE BRANCH (NOT ELIGIBLE FOR E-RATE DISCOUNTS). The library system currently has 14 analog phone lines for

local/long distance; 10 lines at the main library and 4 at the Loganville Branch. Please

Make sure the narrative and/or RFP documents cover all Category One service requests. More tips on the narrative appear in the section, Form 470: Crafting a Narrative.

, and estimated taxes and other surcharges. Preferred service

Installment Payment Plan

Are you seeking an installment payment plan for the non-discounted portion of any special construction charges associated with the request(s) listed above? •

Yes

No

For Category One internet access, you must answer a question about installment payments for special construction charges. It's very rare for Kentucky libraries to request special construction, so most likely the answer is 'No'. For more on special construction, see USAC's Fiber – Summary Overview page.

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ADD NEW SERVICE REQUEST

Basic Information

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Technical Contact Information Procurement Information Use the blue Add New Service Request button to start a new service request.

Next, you will describe the services you are requesting.

Service Requests: Category One

There are currently no Category One service requests. Please enter the service requests below by selecting 'Add New Service Request'.



Narrative

If you would like to provide further detail about the services or equipment sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples include:

- · Any disqualification factors;
- · Additional details about the eligible locations that will be receiving these services; or
- · Other information about the services requested that would help bidders develop bids that are responsive to your needs.

TYPE OR COPY/PASTE YOUR CATEGORY ONE NARRATIVE HERE

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DISCARD FORM

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'I SEEK BIDS...' (1/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Please select the option below that matches the sevice

Visit our website for more information on how to file t

In the 1st set of statements, Category One service requests for all Kentucky public libraries should start with the statement, "I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service".

Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Category One network equipment or maintenance and operations.

CANCEL

NEW FOR FY 2022: To create a Category One service request, you must selection options from 3 sets of statements.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (2/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Please select the option below that matches the service

Visit our website for more information on how to file t

For the 2nd set of statements, almost all Kentucky libraries will select the first option: "I seek bids for internet access and transmission service..."

Add New Service Request

- 1 seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Internet access and data transmission service (provided over any combination of transmission medium, e.g., fiber-only networks, fiber/non-fiber hybrid networks, or non-fiber networks such as cable, DSL, copper, satellite, or microwave).
- 🔘 I seek bids for internet access without data transmission service and will arrange for separate data transmission service if required.
- I seek bids to purchase data transmission service only (i.e., that does not include internet access service).
- N seek to build my own network.

CANCEL

To edit the selection for a set of statements, click on the selected statement again to re-open the dropdown and see all the options.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (3/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications & Signature

Please select the option below that matches the services for which you are seeking bids.

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Add New Service Request

- **1** I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Internet access and data transmission service (provided over any combination of transmission medium, e.g., fiber-only networks, fiber/non-fiber hybrid networks, or non-fiber networks such as cable, DSL, copper, satellite, or microwave).
- O I seek bids for internet access and data transmission services, whether offered by one service provider(s) as a bundled package or offered by one or more service provider as independent services.
- I seek bids for data plans or wireless adapters (Air Cards) for mobile devices for commercial wireless service for a school or library that does not have an existing broadband internal connections.

In the 3rd set of statements, select, "I seek bids for internet access and data transmission services, whether offered by one service provider(s) as a bundled package or offered by one or more service provider as independent services."

CATEGORY ONE FUNCTION

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information

Procurement Information

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Certifications & Signature

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Add New Service Request

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After selecting the last 'I seek bids...' statement, the correct Olseek bid Service Type (Data Transmission and/or Internet Access) and Function (Internet Access and Data Transmission Service) will appear below, along with additional fields to complete.

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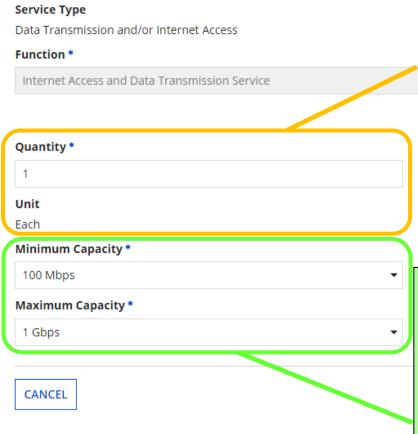
Service Type

Data Transmission and/or Internet Access

Function *

Internet Access and Data Transmission Service

SERVICE REQUEST DETAILS (1/2)



Quantity refers to the number of lines or circuits requested. This example shows 1 circuit/line because the request covers service for the main building only; multiple service requests for the same Function can appear on the Form 470 if it simplifies the description of services for multiple branches.

) No

Minimum Capacity should reflect your library's current download speed.

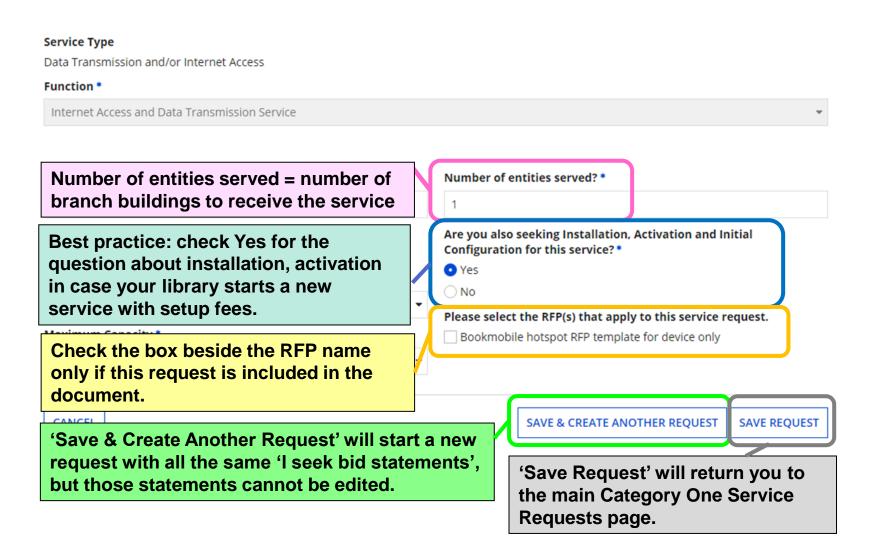
Maximum Capacity should reflect the highest speed your library is seeking.

Be careful about units:

- **Mbps = megabits per second.** Use this for connections below gigabit.
- Gbps = gigabits per second.

Recommended max for both fiber and non-fiber requests.

SERVICE REQUEST DETAILS (2/2)



NARRATIVE FOR INTERNET ACCESS REQUESTS

Narrative

If you would like to provide further detail about the services or equipment sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples include:

- · Any disqualification factors:
- · Additional details about the eligible locations that will be receiving these services; or
- · Other information about the services requested that would help bidders develop bids that are responsive to your needs.

All bids must include the Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/Form 498 ID) or the bid will be disqualified. Generic bids for internet access that do not confirm availability at the service delivery address will be considered non-responsive and therefore disqualified.

QTY 1 FOR MONTHLY FIBER INTERNET AT 100 MAIN ST, BOONESBURG, KY 41700. The main library currently has 100x100 Mbps fiber internet. Please quote download speeds between 100 Mbps and 1 Gbps, fees for 5 static IP addresses, and estimated taxes and other surcharges. Service start date is July 1, 2022. The library seeks only fiber bids. Bids for non-fiber internet will be disqualified.

QTY 1 FOR TRANSPORT CIRCUIT FROM 100 MAIN ST, BOONESBURG, KY 41700 TO 300 TULIP POPLAR LN, LOGANVILLE, KY 41800. Please quote all download speeds between 100 Mbps and 1 Gbps (fiber or non-fiber), fees for 5 static IP addresses, and estimated taxes and other surcharges. Service start date is July 1, 2022.

QTY 1 HOTSPOT FOR BOOKMOBILE, CELLULAR DATA PLAN/AIR CARD SERVICE. Please see RFP document for details of this request. Preferred service start date is July 1, 2022.

Make sure the narrative and/or RFP documents cover all Category One service requests. More tips on the narrative appear in the section, <u>Form</u> 470: Crafting a Narrative.

INSTALLATION PAYMENT PLAN

When requesting Internet Access or Data Transmission, the Installment Payment Plan question will appear below the narrative field. It's VERY RARE to request this option. The majority of Kentucky public libraries will answer No to this question. Then Save & Continue.

Installment Payment Plan Are you seeking an installment payment plan for the non-discounted portion of any special construction changes associated with the request(s) listed above? * Yes No BACK DISCARD FORM SAVE & SHARE SAVE & CONTINUE

Installment Payment Plan In the VERY RARE instance Are you seeking an installment payment plan for the non-discounted portion Over how many years do you wish to amortize the costs? when a library answers Yes to of any special construction charges associated with the request(s) listed 1 above?* this question, additional fields Yes appear for options to amortize \bigcirc No Please select a range of years above. costs. Do you prefer annual or monthly payments? * Annual Monthly

SERVICE REQUEST – DATA TRANSMISSION ONLY (WAN CIRCUIT)

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ADD NEW SERVICE REQUEST

Use the blue Add New Basic Information Service Requests Technical Contact Procurement **Service Request button** Information Information Next, you will describe the services you are requesting. to start a new service Service Requests: Category One request. Please enter the service requests below by selecting 'Add New Service Request'. Function Installation Minimum Maximum Associated Service Other Entiti_s and Initial Function Quantity Unit Type Capacity Capacity Description Configuration? Data Internet Transmission Access and and/or Data 100 Mbps 1 Gbps Each Yes Internet Transmission Access Service **ADD NEW SERVICE REQUEST EDN SERVICE REQUEST** REMOVE SERVICE REQUEST Narrativ If you, fould like to provide further detail about the services or equipment sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples include: **Completed service requests** be receiving these services; or appear in a grid on the ould help bidders develop bids that are responsive to your needs. **Service Requests: Category** One page.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (1/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Please select the option below that matches the service

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In the 1st set of statements, Category One service requests for all Kentucky public libraries should start with the 'I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service' statement.

Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Category One network equipment or maintenance and operations.

CANCEL

NEW FOR FY 2022: To create a Category One service request, you must selection options from 3 sets of statements.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (2/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Please select the option below that matches the service

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In the 2nd set of statements, libraries requesting bids for Wide Area Network (WAN) circuits for data transmission only should select the 3rd statement: "I seek bids to purchase data transmission service only (i.e., that does not include internet access service)."

Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Internet access and data transmission service (provided over any combination of transmission medium, e.g., fiber-only networks, fiber/non-fiber hybrid networks, or non-fiber networks such as cable, DSL, copper, satellite, or microwave).
- O I seek bids for internet access without data transmission service and will arrange for separate data transmission service if required.
- I seek bids to purchase data transmission service only (i.e., that does not include internet access service).
- I seek to build my own network.

CANCEL

To edit the selection for a set of statements, click on the selected statement again to re-open the dropdown and see all the options.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (3/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications & Signature

Please select the option below that matches the services for which you are seeking bids.

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Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids to purchase data transmission service only (i.e., that does not include internet access service).
- I seek data transmission service without internet access service.
- I seek to lease capacity, e.g., a specific number of dark fiber strands or capacity over a leased lit network, that will be used for data transmission service.

CANCEL

In the 3rd set of statements, Kentucky public libraries requesting bids for WAN circuits would select the first option: "I seek data transmission service without internet access service."

CATEGORY ONE FUNCTION

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications & Signature

Please select the option below that matches the services for which you are seeking bids.

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Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids to purchase data transmission service only (i.e., that does not include internet access service).
- I seek data transmission service without internet access service.

Service Type

Data Transmission and/or Internet Access

Function *

Standalone Data Transmission Service

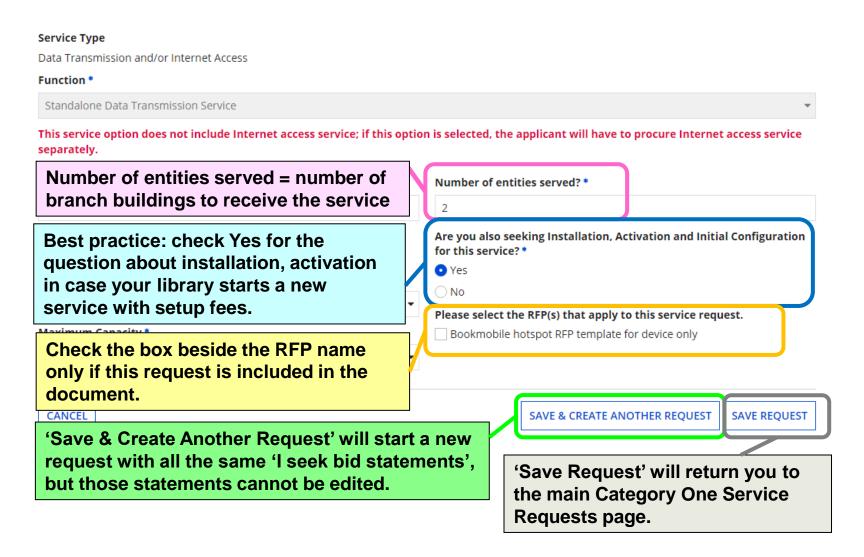
This service option does not include Internet access service; if this option is selected, the applicant will have to procure Internet access service separately.

After selecting the last 'I seek bids...' statement, the correct Service Type (Data Transmission and/or Internet Access) and Function (Standalone Data Transmission Service) will appear below. You'll also see a note in red reminding you to procure internet access separately.

SERVICE REQUEST DETAILS (1/2)

Service Type Data Transmission and/or Internet Access Function *									
Standalone Data Transmission Service									
This service option does not include Internet access service; if this option is selected, the applicant will have to procure Internet access service separately.									
Quantity *	Quantity refers to the number of lines or circuits requested. This example shows 1								
1 Unit	circuit/line to connect two branches through data transmission only.								
Each	for this service?*								
Minimum Capacity * 100 Mbps ▼	Minimum Capacity should reflect your library's current download speed.								
Maximum Capacity * 1 Gbps ▼	Maximum Capacity should reflect the highest speed your library is seeking. Be careful about units:								
	• Mbps = megabits per second. Use this								
CANCEL	for connections below gigabit. • Gbps = gigabits per second. Recommended max for both fiber and non-fiber requests.								

SERVICE REQUEST DETAILS (2/2)



NARRATIVE FOR WAN CIRCUIT REQUESTS

Narrative

If you would like to provide further detail about the services or equipment sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples include:

- · Any disqualification factors;
- Additional details about the eligible locations that will be receiving these services; or
- Other information about the services requested that would help bidders develop bids that are responsive to your needs.

All bids must include the Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/Form 498 ID) or the bid will be disqualified. Generic bids for internet access that do not confirm availability at the service delivery address will be considered non-responsive and therefore disqualified.

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QTY 1 FOR TRANSPORT CIRCUIT FROM 100 MAIN ST, BOONESBURG, KY 41700 TO 300 TULIP POPLAR LN, LOGANVILLE, KY 41800. Please quote all download speeds between 100 Mbps and 1 Gbps (fiber or non-fiber), fees for 5 static IP addresses, and estimated taxes and other surcharges. Service start date is July 1, 2022.

QTY 1 HOTSPOT FOR BOOKMOBILE, CELLULAR DATA PLAN/AIR CARD SERVICE. Please see RFP document for details of this request. Preferred service start date is July 1. 2022.

Make sure the narrative and/or RFP documents cover all Category One service requests. More tips on the narrative appear in the section, <u>Form 470: Crafting a Narrative</u>.

INSTALLATION PAYMENT PLAN

When requesting Internet Access or Data Transmission, the Installment Payment Plan question will appear below the narrative field. It's VERY RARE to request this option. The majority of Kentucky public libraries will answer No to this question. Then Save & Continue.

Installment Payment Plan Are you seeking an installment payment plan for the non-discounted portion of any special construction changes associated with the request(s) listed above? * Yes No BACK DISCARD FORM SAVE & SHARE

Monthly

Installment Payment Plan				
Are you seeking an installment payment plan for the non-discounted portion	Over how many years do you wish to amortize the costs?			
of any special construction charges associated with the request(s) listed above? *	1			
• Yes	4			
○ No	Please select a range of years above.			
	Do you prefer annual or monthly payments? * • Annual			

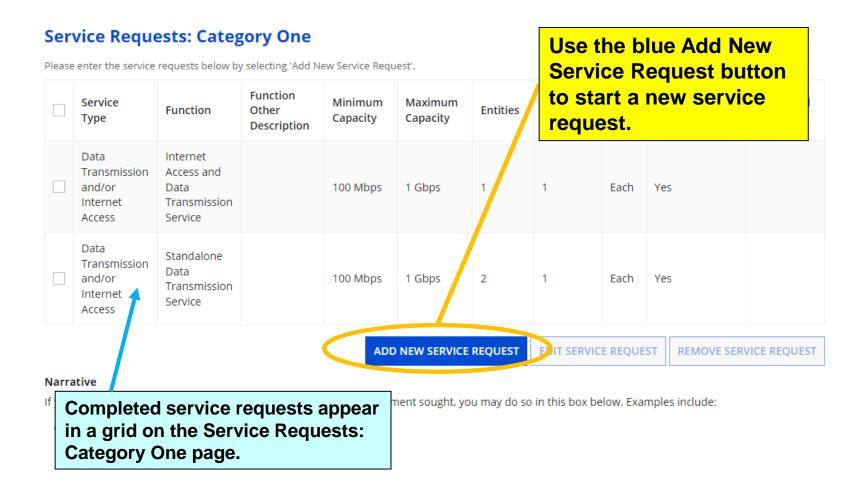
In the VERY RARE instance when a library answers Yes to this question, additional fields appear for options to amortize costs.

SAVE & CONTINUE

SERVICE REQUEST – BOOKMOBILE HOTSPOT

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ADD NEW SERVICE REQUEST



'I SEEK BIDS...' (1/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Please select the option below that matches the sevice

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In the 1st set of statements, Category One service requests for all Kentucky public libraries should start with the statement, "I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service".

Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Category One network equipment or maintenance and operations.

CANCEL

NEW FOR FY 2022: To create a Category One service request, you must selection options from 3 sets of statements.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (2/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Please select the option below that matches the service

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For the 2nd set of statements, almost all Kentucky libraries will select the first option: "I seek bids for internet access and transmission service..."

Add New Service Request

- **1** I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Internet access and data transmission service (provided over any combination of transmission medium, e.g., fiber-only networks, fiber/non-fiber hybrid networks, or non-fiber networks such as cable, DSL, copper, satellite, or microwave).
- 🔘 I seek bids for internet access without data transmission service and will arrange for separate data transmission service if required.
- I seek bids to purchase data transmission service only (i.e., that does not include internet access service).
- seek to build my own network.

CANCEL

To edit the selection for a set of statements, click on the selected statement again to re-open the dropdown and see all the options.

'I SEEK BIDS...' (3/3)

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information

FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications & Signature

Please select the option below that matches the services for which you are seeking bids.

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Add New Service Request

- **1** I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Internet access and data transmission service (provided over any combination of transmission medium, e.g., fiber-only networks, fiber/non-fiber hybrid networks, or non-fiber networks such as cable, DSL, copper, satellite, or microwave).
- I seek bids for internet access and data transmission services, whether offered by one service provider(s) as a bundled package or offered by one or more service provider as independent services.
- O I seek bids for data plans or wireless adapters (Air Cards) for mobile devices for commercial wireless service for a school or library that does not have an existing broadband internal connections.

In the 3rd set of statements, select, "I seek bids for data plans or wireless adapters (Air Cards) for mobile devices for commercial wireless service for a school or library that does not have an existing broadband internal connections." in order to request bids for bookmobile hotspot service.

CATEGORY ONE FUNCTION

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information Procurement Information

FCC Form 470 Review

Certifications & Signature

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Add New Service Request

- I seek bids for internet access and/or data transmission service.
- I seek bids for Internet access and data transmission service (provided over any combination of transmission medium, e.g., fiber-only networks, fiber/non-fiber hybrid networks, or non-fiber networks such as cable, DSL, copper, satellite, or microwave).
- I seek bids for data plans or wireless adapters (Air Cards) for mobile devices for commercial wireless service for a school or library that does not have an existing broadband internal connections.

Service Type

Data Transmission and/or Internet Access

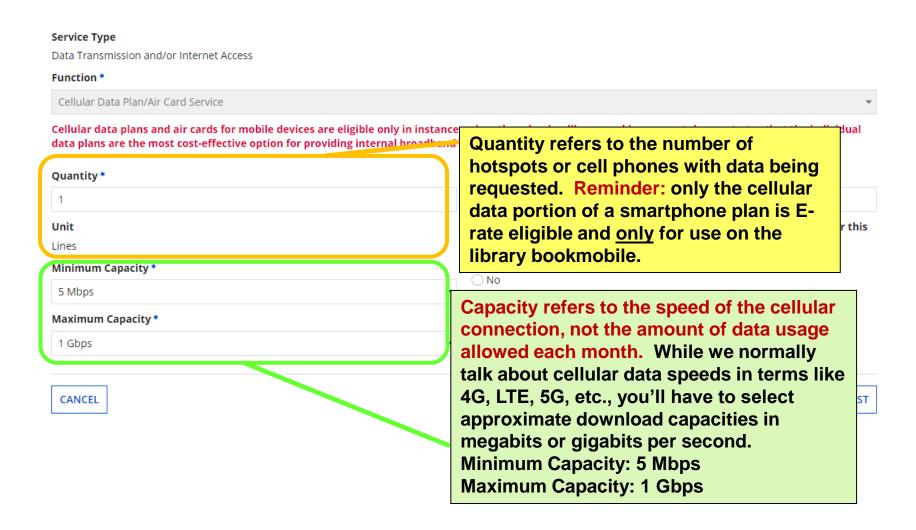
Function *

Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service

Cellular data plans and air cards for mobile devices are eligible only in instances when the school or library seeking support demonstrates that the individual data plans are the most cost-effective option for providing internal broadband access for mobile devices at schools and/or libraries.

After selecting the last 'I seek bids...' statement, the correct Service Type (Data Transmission and/or Internet Access) and Function (Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service) will appear below, along with additional fields to complete. You'll also see a note in red because, unless for a library bookmobile, it's very difficult to receive discounts on cellular data.

SERVICE REQUEST DETAILS (1/2)



SERVICE REQUEST DETAILS (2/2)

Service Type Data Transmission and/or Internet Access Function * Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service Cellular data plans and air cards for mobile devices are eligible only in instances when the school or library seeking support demonstrates that the individual nd access for mobile devices at schools and/or libraries. Number of entities served = number of branch buildings (or the 'bookmobile' Number of entities served? * branch) to receive this service Are you also seeking Installation, Activation and Initial Configuration for this Best practice: check Yes for the question service? * about installation, activation in case your Yes library starts a new service with setup fees. ○ No Please select the RFP(s) that apply to this service request. * Maximum Capacity * Bookmobile hotspot RFP template for device only Check the box beside the RFP name because Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service requests require an RFP **SAVE & CREATE ANOTHER REQUEST** SAVE REQUEST document. 'Save & Create Another Request' will start a new 'Save Request' will return you to request with all the same 'I seek bid statements', the main Category One Service but those statements cannot be edited. Requests page.

NARRATIVE FOR BOOKMOBILE HOTSPOT REQUESTS

Narrative

If you would like to provide further detail about the services or equipment sought, you may do so in this box below. Examples include:

- Any disqualification factors;
- Additional details about the eligible locations that will be receiving these services; or
- Other information about the services requested that would help bidders develop bids that are responsive to your needs.

All bids must include the Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/Form 498 ID) or the bid will be disqualified. Generic bids for internet access that do not confirm availability at the service delivery address will be considered non-responsive and therefore disqualified.

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QTY 1 HOTSPOT FOR BOOKMOBILE, CELLULAR DATA PLAN/AIR CARD SERVICE. Please see RFP document for details of this request. Preferred service start date is July 1, 2022.

The RFP for Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service must include details about the service, but basic information can be included in the narrative field. When using an RFP for any type of service request, it's always good to add a note in the narrative field to "see the RFP for details".

FORM 470: CRAFTING A NARRATIVE

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NARRATIVE - ADVANTAGES

- The narrative field is your opportunity to explain your library's current situation and future needs.
 You can receive more accurate bids and anticipate questions vendors may have.
- A detailed narrative field also helps KDLA's
 Technology Consultant when reviewing draft PDF
 versions of your form. If your narrative description
 doesn't match the service requests listed, she can
 help you fix those issues.

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN THE NARRATIVE (1/2)

- NOT an exhaustive list:
 - Contract dates When does your library need this service to start?
 Most libraries request services that start on July 1st (first date for service in the funding year). Definitely include a date if your library's current contract ends mid-year.
 - Internet speeds and static IP addresses What are the minimum download and upload speeds you're seeking? Do you need static IP addresses, too?
 - Addresses Including addresses makes it easier for service providers to determine whether they can provide the requested service at those locations. Also, make sure to mention if a branch will move (temporarily or permanently) during the funding year due to construction.
 - Bidding Are there requirements for the formatting of bids or the method for submitting bids? Examples: separating costs by line item; bids to be submitted by email only; sealed bids to be delivered by mail or in person by a certain date/time

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN THE NARRATIVE (2/2)

- NOT an exhaustive list (continued):
 - Compatible equipment If you're requesting Category Two products/services (such as a leased router from your Internet Service Provider), must the proposed equipment be compatible with other libraryowned equipment? What features/specs are most important?
 - Disqualification factors Does the service provider have a Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/Form 498 ID)?
 - Disqualification factors <u>must</u> be clearly listed on the Form 470 (and/or in RFP document) & <u>must</u> be binary (Yes or No answers)
 - New for FY 2022: If your library wants bids only for fiber internet or only for non-fiber internet, you should add a disqualification factor in the narrative.
 - Example: The library seeks only fiber bids. Bids for non-fiber internet will be disqualified.
 - The narrative field is limited to 5,000 characters. If you need more space to describe your needs, considering uploading an RFP document.

EXAMPLE NARRATIVE – CAT1

GENERAL BIDDING INFORMATION FOR ALL REQUESTS

All bids must include the Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/Form 498 ID) or the bid will be disqualified. Generic bids for internet access that do not confirm availability at the service delivery address will be considered non-responsive and therefore disqualified.

INTERNET SERVICE REQUEST

QTY 1 FOR MONTHLY FIBER INTERNET AT 100 MAIN ST, BOONESBURG, KY 41700. The main library currently has 100x100 Mbps fiber internet. Please quote download speeds between 100 Mbps and 1 Gbps, fees for 5 static IP addresses, and estimated taxes and other surcharges. Service start date is July 1, 2022. The library seeks only fiber bids. Bids for non-fiber internet will be disqualified.

WAN SERVICE (DATA TRANSMISSION ONLY) REQUEST

QTY 1 FOR TRANSPORT CIRCUIT FROM 100 MAIN ST, BOONESBURG, KY 41700 TO 300 TULIP POPLAR LN, LOGANVILLE, KY 41800. Please quote all download speeds between 100 Mbps and 1 Gbps (fiber or non-fiber), fees for 5 static IP addresses, and estimated taxes and other surcharges. Service start date is July 1, 2022.

BOOKMOBILE HOTSPOT SERVICE REQUEST

QTY 1 HOTSPOT FOR BOOKMOBILE, CELLULAR DATA PLAN/AIR CARD SERVICE. Please see RFP document for details of this request. Preferred service start date is July 1, 2022.

FORM 470: TECH CONTACT & STATE/LOCAL PROCUREMENT

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TECHNICAL CONTACT PERSON

Next, please name the person on seeking. Technical Contact P Is there a person who can prov questions from service provide YES V NO How would you like to enter the	erson ride additional technical ers about the services yo	details or answer specific u are seeking?	Procurement Information nical details or answer specific qu First Name * Charlie Last Name * Dickens Title IT Coordinator Phone Number * 555-555-5555 Phone Number Extension 55	If needed, add a Technical Contact who can best answer specific questions about your library's internet connection and needs. When you select 'Yes', you must choose to search for an EPC user associated with your library or manually enter a contact.
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STATE OR LOCAL PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

Basic Information

Service Requests

Technical Contact Information

Procurement Information

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Certifications & Signature

Next, you will enter all information regarding state and local procurement rules.

State or Local Procurement Requirements

Are there state or local procurement (competitive hidding requirements that apply to the procurement of services cought



Reminder: Your library must receive sealed competitive bids to be opened at a specified date/time & location for procurement over \$30,000 with a single vendor. The details of the sealed bidding process must be included in the 470 and/or in an accompanying RFP document.

bidding procedures.

FOR LIBRARIES THAT ADOPTED THE MODEL PROCUREMENT CODE: The Kentucky Model Procurement Code (Kentucky Revised Statutes 45A.345-.460) requires sealed bids for contracts and purchases over \$30,000. See https://legislature.ky.gov/Law/Statutes/Pages/default.aspx for more information.

FOR LIBRARIES THAT DIDN'T ADOPT THE MODEL PROCUREMENT CODE: Kentucky Revised Statute 424.260(1) requires sealed bids for contracts and purchases over \$30,000. See https://legislature.ky.gov/Law/Statutes/Pages/default.aspx for more information.

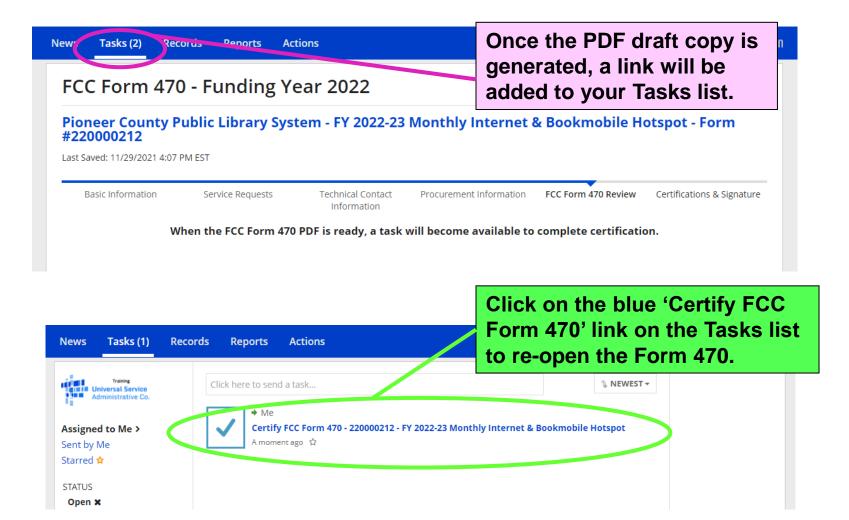
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FORM 470: REVIEW & CERTIFICATION

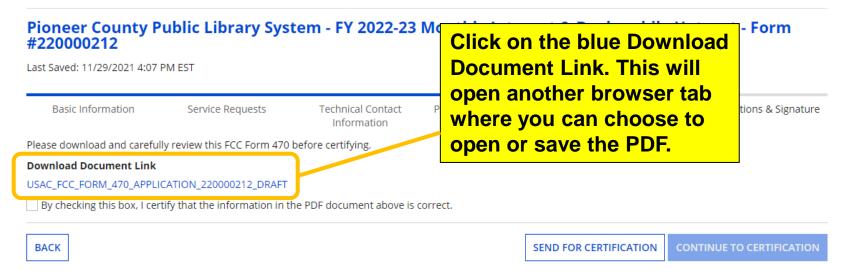
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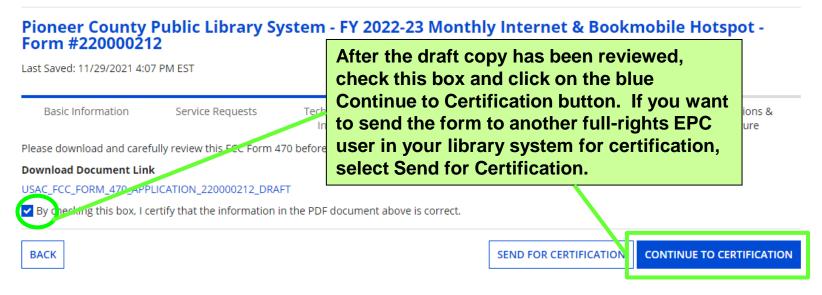
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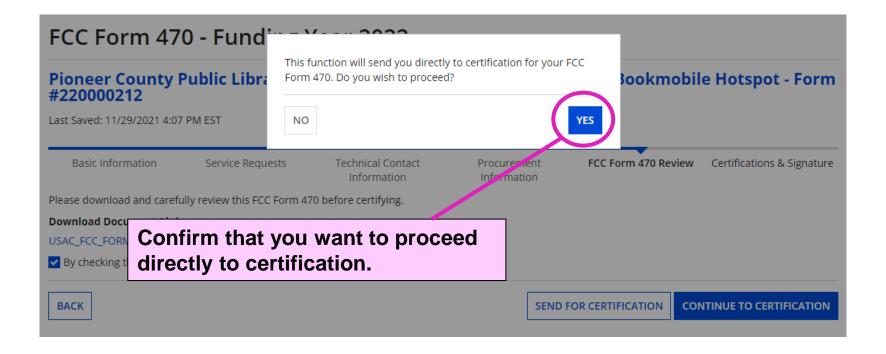
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Basic Information

Service Requests

Please complete the certifications below.

Applicant Certifications

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You must agree to all of the certifications to post the Form 470. The certifications confirm that your library is eligible and will follow all E-rate program rules and laws regarding competitive bidding.

Other Certifications

I dertify that this FCC Form 470 and any applicable RFP will be available for review by potential bidders for at least 28 days before considering all and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted will be carefully considered and the bid selected will be for the most cost-effective equipment offering, with price being the primary factor, and will be the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology

✓ I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least 10 years (or whatever retention period is required by the rules in effect at the certification) after the later of the last day of the applicable funding year or the service delivery deadline for the associated funding request. Least

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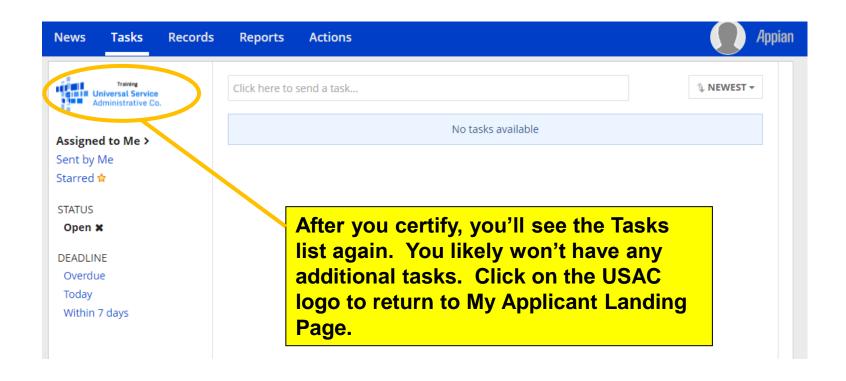
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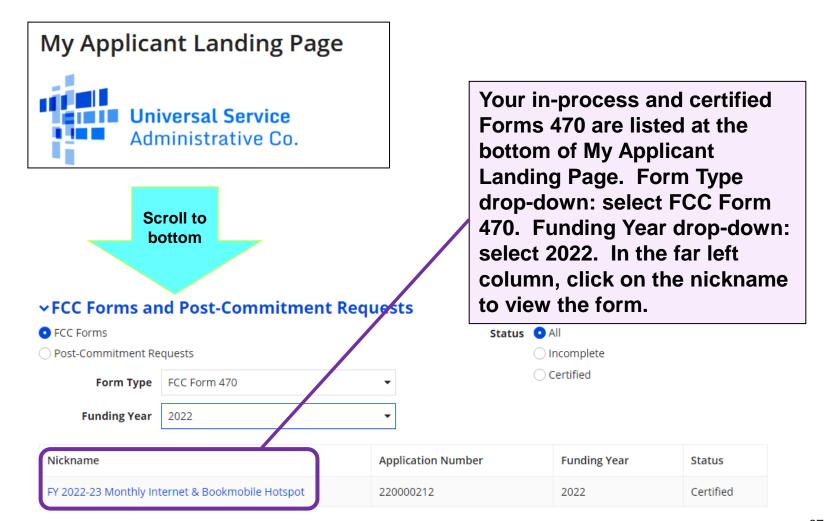
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amended. 4 / U.S.C. § 254. The data in the report will be used to ensure that schools and libraries comply with the competitive bidding requirement contained in 4 / C.F.R. § 54.503. Schools and libraries must file this form themselves or as part of a consortium An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a displays a currently valid OMB control False statements on this form may result in civil liability and/or number. criminal prosecution. To electronically sign and certify this form, The FCC is authorized under the Communicat form. We will use the information you click "Yes" below. To affirm that you (1) understand the provide to determine whether you have comp universal service discounts. If we believe statements above and (2) represent the entity featured, and have there may be a violation or a potential violation provide in this form may be referred to the the authority to make the certifications, on this form, click "Yes" Federal, state, or local agency responsible for gulation or order. In certain cases, the below. n (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; information you provide in this form may be o or (c) the United States Government is a party addition, information provided in or submitted with this form, or in response to su Communications Act of 1934, FCC NO regulations, the Freedom of Information Act, If you owe a past due debt to the federal government, the information you provide in this formation also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other Federa pllect that debt. The FCC may also Confirm that you understand that you provide the information to these as If you do not provide the informati without action or deny a related may be subject to prosecution for request for universal service discou making false statements on this form The foregoing Notice is required by and that you are authorized to Public reporting burden for this col reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering an d comments regarding this burden represent your library. estimate or any other aspect of this deral Communications Commission, Performance Evaluation and Reco ou send them to PRA@FCC.gov. DO NOT SEND COMPLETED WORKSHEETS TO THESE ADDRESSES. **CERTIFY BACK**

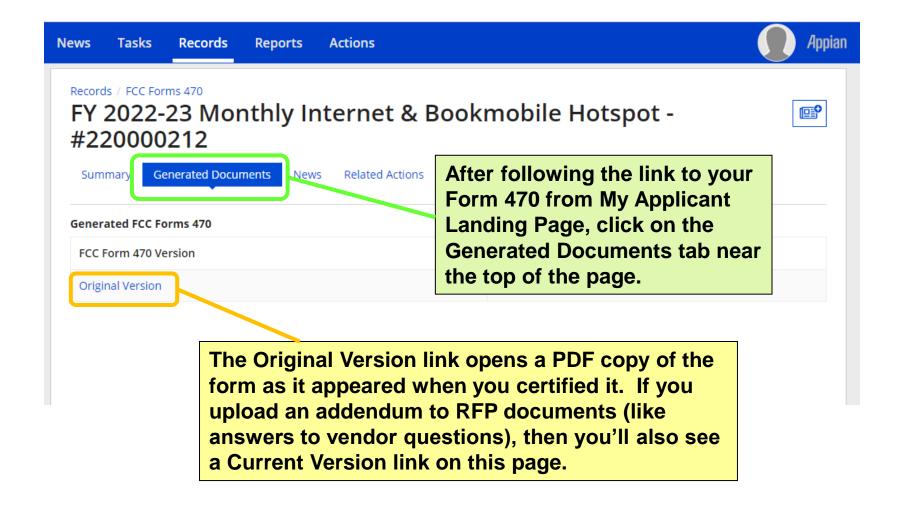
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ALLOWABLE CONTRACT DATE & BID EVALUATIONS

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ALLOWABLE CONTRACT DATE

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FY 2022-23 Monthly Internet & Bookmobile Hotspot -#220000212





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Related Actions

Please note: The following fields pull the most current data from the Co Contact Name, and Contact Phone Number. If you would like to review navigate to the Generated Documents related dashboard on the left-ha

▼Application Information

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Hotspot

Application Number 220000212

Funding Year 2022

Allowable Contract 12/27/2021

Date

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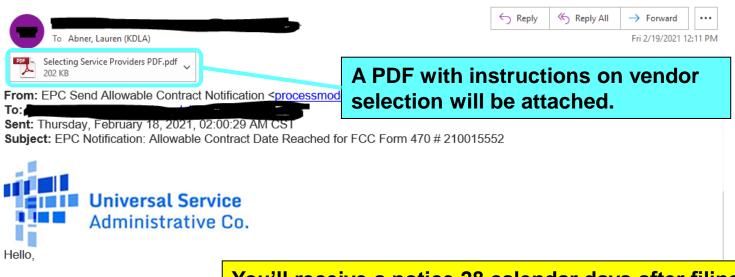
The Summary page for your form will include an Allowable Contract Date (ACD), which is 28 calendar days after the form was certified. Keep in mind that your actual ACD may be later depending on what you specified in RFPs.

Last Modified By Lauren Abner

Billed Entity Number 208 (BEN)

USAC EMAIL FOR ALLOWABLE CONTRACT DATE

Fw: EPC Notification: Allowable Contract Date Reached for FCC Form 470 # 210015552



The Allowable Contract Date for FCC For process unless state and local procurements

Your next step is to evaluate the bids rec sign a contract. Click the link below to vie evaluate bids and select your service provider.

You'll receive a notice 28 calendar days after filing a Form 470 indicating that the earliest possible Allowable Contract Date has been reached.

Form 470 Dashboard

Thank you,

Universal Service Administrative Co.

BID EVALUATIONS (1/2)

Don't make any decisions or sign contracts until your Allowable Contract Date (ACD) has been reached.

- Unless your narrative or RFP specified a due date, you may continue collecting bids after 28 calendar days
- If you received only 1 bid, then you should email yourself to memorialize this fact.
- If you contact vendors to request cost proposals after you file your Form 470 – do not give those vendors additional information not listed in the narrative or RFP.

BID EVALUATIONS (2/2)

Must evaluate all valid bids using E-rate eligible cost as the primary factor

- You should reply to requests for additional information needed to create a responsive bid. Be careful about changing the scope of your requests (ex: adding new locations for service)—that could force you to restart competitive bidding for another 28 days.
- Spam generic email asking you to call or email to request a quote
 is not considered a responsive bid and you don't have to reply.
- You may disqualify certain bids <u>if</u> you stated those disqualification factors on the Form 470.
- You may consider relevant State Master Contracts as bids. While public libraries may purchase internet services from the KIH3 contract, they are <u>NOT</u> eligible to purchase off the KETS network equipment contracts for Kentucky schools.



Sample Bid Evaluation Matrix

FACTOR	POINTS AVAILABLE	VENDOR 1	VENDOR 2	VENDOR 3
Price of the eligible products and services	50*	20	50	40
Prior experience with the vendor	25	25	0	25
Prices for ineligible services and products	15	10	5	15
Local or in-state vendor	10	10	0	0
TOTAL	100	65	55	80

^{*}This number must be higher than all other numbers in the same column.

List of Disqualified Bidders

Vendor 4

Reason for disqualification: All interested bidders received two weeks' notice of a required pre-bid conference. Vendor 4 did not attend this conference and did not provide a reason for their absence.

For more information on constructing a bid evaluation, visit the USAC website at: https://www.usac.org/e-rate/applicant-process/selecting-service-providers/how-to-construct-an-evaluation/

Important things to note about this sample:

The price of the eligible products and services must be the most heavily weighted factor. This means that it must have the highest number of "Points Available." In this sample, the vendors could score up to 50 points for the price of eligible services factor (more than any other single factor).

The applicant rated the vendors on how well they met each factor. Then, they totaled the vendors' point values for all factors.

Vendor 3, with a total of 80 points, is the winning bidder in this sample because they have the highest total number of points.

The applicant disqualified Vendor 4 and noted the reason for disqualification on the bid evaluation matrix (see the "List of Disqualified Bidders" below the matrix).

http://www.usac.org/_res/documents/sl/pdf/samples/Bid-Evaluation-Matrix.pdf

SAMPLE BID MATRIX – E-RATE CENTRAL

- E-rate Central, an E-rate consulting firm, has a sample bid evaluation matrix: http://e-ratecentral.com/applicationTips/bidAssessment/CompetitiveBidResponseDocumentation.asp
- KDLA neither recommends nor discourages applicants to use this particular bid matrix, but it does provide an example of how to track incoming bids and organize bid evaluations for several products/services by using multiple tabs on an Excel spreadsheet. Applicants should modify the spreadsheet to reflect the factors important to their situation.

DOCUMENT RETENTION – SAVE IT ALL!

- Save <u>everything</u> related to E-rate filing. The document retention period is 10 years from the last date for service in the funding year.
 - FCC Forms
 - Any correspondence from USAC or the FCC.
 - Copies of <u>all</u> responsive bids (not just the winning bid)
 - Contracts or agreements with service providers
 - Copies of bid evaluation form/decision process for choosing winning bid
 - Invoices and proof of delivery, service, etc.

LOOKING AHEAD -THE FORM 471

- The Form 471 application for Funding Year 2022 will likely be released around January 13, 2022 (TBD).
- Prior to filing the Form 471, you must complete the competitive bidding process and, if required, sign a contract or make a legally-binding agreement with the vendor chosen through the bidding process.
- KDLA will provide updated Form 471 training in January 2022 – dates TBD.

WRAP-UP

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RESOURCES

KDLA's E-rate page

 https://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/programs/erate/Pages/default.aspx

USAC E-rate page

https://www.usac.org/e-rate/

USAC Client Service Bureau

 1-888-203-8100 or through your <u>E-rate Productivity Center</u> account

E-rate Central

https://e-ratecentral.com/

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For Library Technology Support Staff:

- KYTECH is a monitored discussion list devoted to those who work with technology for their library. By using this LISTSERV®, individuals from around the state will have the chance to ask questions, share ideas, voice concerns, and make valuable contacts all through their e-mail.
- TO SUBSCRIBE: Send a blank message to: joinkytech@listserv.ky.gov

E-rate updates and reminders are posted to KYTECH.



For E-rate questions or for assistance with filing forms, please contact KDLA.

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