

Getting Students Access to Devices and Broadband

This document is a collection of opportunities that exist for both broadband and device access.

In this guide, you will find:

- **Internet and Wifi Resources** for families to access low cost internet connectivity
- **Low Cost Device Resources** for families to access devices for home learning
- **Grant Opportunities** for schools to provide devices and internet access to families

Device and Broadband Access

This section provides funding resources that your school could pursue.

Internet and Wifi Access

Charter School Growth Fund (CSGF) is awarding ‘tech grants’ to cover some upfront costs for procurements. There are several other funders providing similar support.

→ The Charter School Growth Fund has published this [Tech Procurement Info resource](#)

EveryoneOn - Is a nonprofit dedicated to creating social and economic opportunity by connecting low-income families to affordable internet service and computers, and delivering digital skills training. They provide a toolkit and an “opportunity search tool” (third bullet below)

- Provides a [Low-Cost Internet Service Programs Tool Kit](#) which provides resources for communicating with families on finding low cost internet service
- Provides [Low-Cost Internet Service & Affordable Computers](#) links to low cost service programs
- Provides a search tool for families to [Find Low-Cost Internet Service and Computers in Your Area](#)

Companies and organizations nationwide are actively helping to provide access.

- [Sprint 1Million Project](#) - Sprint’s Announcement, “Our mission is to help one million high school students who do not have reliable Internet access at home reach their full potential by giving them devices and free high-speed, reliable Internet access.”
 - ◆ The 1Million Project has published [an update increasing their commitment](#)
- [AT&T Wireless](#) - AT&T’s Announcement, “Connectivity for Schools to Support eLearning for their Students”

- [xfinity](#) - xfinity/Comcast's Announcement, "Comcast Announces Comprehensive COVID-19 Response to Help Keep Americans Connected to the Internet"
- A list of US organizations supporting access to broadband exists [here](#).

Green Dot and other Charter Management Organizations (CMOs) have set up their own explicitly [fundraising](#) campaigns to cover the gap for their students.

Final Word

There are several opportunities to close the equipment and internet access gap for students. There are private organizations, such as the Charter School Growth Fund and large national organizations, such as Sprint, AT&T and xfinity who are supporting this effort.



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