



BROADBAND AND NETWORK

What's New in Digital Equity: Manual to Guide Inclusion Work

Plus, Kansas has announced funding for digital skills training, a map illustrates municipal networks across the country, and more.

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This week in “What’s New in Digital Equity” — our weekly look at

government digital equity and broadband news — we have a number of interesting items, which you can jump to with the links below:

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DIGITAL EQUITY GRANTS AWARDED TO CALIFORNIA LOCALS

In local news, the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) announced last week that [36 local governments will be receiving grants for digital equity](#). This includes city and county governments. Each local government will receive \$20,000 to participate. CETF has been working to provide a better understanding of the digital divide in the state, as illustrated by a January [survey](#).

“This grant will help us to reach out to disadvantaged populations within Napa County to make meaningful progress toward digital equity,” Napa County Broadband Manager Mark Revis said in a [statement](#). Napa County is one of the local government recipients.

There, the funding will support public outreach and awareness about digital equity programs that are offered by the Napa County Library. The county also plans to increase awareness about affordable Internet service options offered by local providers.