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I have children in school who need access to high-speed internet for their education.”

-Lowell, MI



CONNECTED  
NATION®



## WORKING TO CLOSE THE **DIGITAL DIVIDE**

Problem-solving in the  
**broadband space** can be  
complicated.

**Connected Nation's** teams  
can help.

Our nearly **25 years of**  
**experience** is at your fingertips.

# Everyone Belongs®

**Our mission** is to improve lives by  
providing innovative solutions that  
expand the access, adoption, and  
use of high-speed internet and its  
related technologies.

THE  
**DIGITAL DIVIDE**  
IS

**16.9 million**  
SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN

**42 million**  
AMERICANS

**1/3**  
OF AMERICAN WORKERS  
LACKING DIGITAL SKILLS

**13%**  
OF TRIBAL RESIDENTS

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**“I work from home. I will lose money if I have to go to the office due to drive time, child care, and gas money.”**

~Glasgow, KY

### **Conducting groundbreaking research & analysis**

- Leading cutting-edge research in telehealth, telework, broadband planning, digital inclusion, and more.
- Award-winning Geospatial Services offering broadband mapping, engineering, and technical services.

### **Connected Nation has been busy...**

*Developing maps and analyses in 17 states*

*Mapping 40% of the US land mass for connectivity*

*Verifying broadband coverage for 250,000+ road miles*

### **Leading in broadband policy & advocacy**

- Advising policymakers as the “go to” resource for state lawmakers, broadband offices, federal leaders to track, plan, and promote broadband work.

### **Connected Nation has been busy...**

*Administering more than \$87 million in federal broadband grants*

*Providing policy briefs on broadband-related legislation*

*Serving on the Digital Equity Advisory and Broadband Deployment Advisory Committees for the FCC*

*Providing strategic communications services for state and local leaders*

### **Helping smaller cities and rural areas keep pace**

- Building carrier-neutral internet exchange point (IXP) facilities on university campuses in regional hub communities.
- IXPs matter because they help lower cost, increase speeds, and foster competition.
- At the start of 2024, 14 states and 3 territories did not have an IXP.

### **Advancing digital inclusion**

- Addressing the need for telework guidance and digital skills training for ALL people – no matter their age or background.

### **Connected Nation has been busy...**

*Providing 60,000+ internet enabled devices*

*Training 15,000+ adult-learners on digital skills*

*Conducting 1,000+ workshops and job fairs across 17 states*

*Partnering with 1,300+ community groups for digital equity programs*

*Training and job placements for 1000+ Digital Works grads*

### **Providing technology assistance & planning**

- We’ve provided guidance to state broadband offices, governors, and other state-level leaders in 30+ states and territories.
- We’ve also provided local and regional planning in 650+ communities through our Connected Community Engagement Program.