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The Huachuca City Public Library is one step closer to providing high-class internet service to its patrons

The Huachuca City Public Library is one step closer to providing high-class internet service to its patrons after accepting a provisional bid from Century Link to bring leased-lit fiber to the library. On March 21, 2018, hoping to take advantage of the FCC's E-Rate program and Arizona State Broadband Initiative funds, the library filed FCC Form 471 through the E-Rate program requesting funds to allow Century Link to proceed with the project as proposed. If funded, this would result in the delivery of a 500 Mbps internet connection to the library. The construction costs of bringing the high speed fiber to the library is 100% funded through the FCC and the Arizona Corporation Commission. For comparison, the library's current connection to the World Wide Web (WWW) is limited to 12 Mbps.

If funding is approved, the new service will have a tremendous positive impact on the library and its patrons. The increased bandwidth will enable the library to provide better quality programs to the public, General Education Development (GED) testing, distance learning, video teleconferencing and more.

E-Rate is a program of the Federal Communication Commission that helps fund technology costs for K-12 schools and libraries.

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