



Act 142

Broadband

Senate Finance Committee | September 3, 2020





Act 142



- Procure mobile hotspots and monthly service through December 2020 for distribution to a minimum of one hundred thousand households.
 - Annual income of two hundred fifty percent or less of federal poverty guidelines
 - Individual attending a public or private K-12 school or a public or private college, university, or technical college
 - Schools responsible for distributing hotspots and ensuring that appropriate security measures are installed
 - *Priority schools*: counties that contain a school district that has been defined by Department of Education as having a poverty rate greater than or equal to eighty-six percent
- Secure vendor(s) for the development of broadband statewide county-by-county mapping plan and broadband infrastructure plan
- Emphasize infrastructure expansion to rural communities and communities at risk or with a high prevalence of COVID-19
 - Reimbursable expenditures are necessary for COVID-19 public health emergency and increase capacity for distance learning, telework, or telehealth

C.A.R.E.S. Act Funding Authorization

Hotspots and Monthly Service for Student Households	\$20,000,000
Mapping	\$300,000
Infrastructure	\$29,700,000
Total	\$ 50,000,000



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Order Forms

Monthly Reporting

Communications Materials

[Press Release](#)

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Statistics

Number of Participants	
Public K-12	82
Private K-12	4
Charter	2
Higher Ed Institutions	25
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Number of Hotspots / Wired Services Ordered	
Verizon (73%)	69,239
AT&T	23,560
T-Mobile	1,500
Service Only	390
Wired	5,863
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Mapping

- Vendor: CostQuest Associates, Inc.
- Surveys went out to providers along with letters of support from leadership
- Surveys due back to the ORS by September 25th
- Maps should be completed by end of November

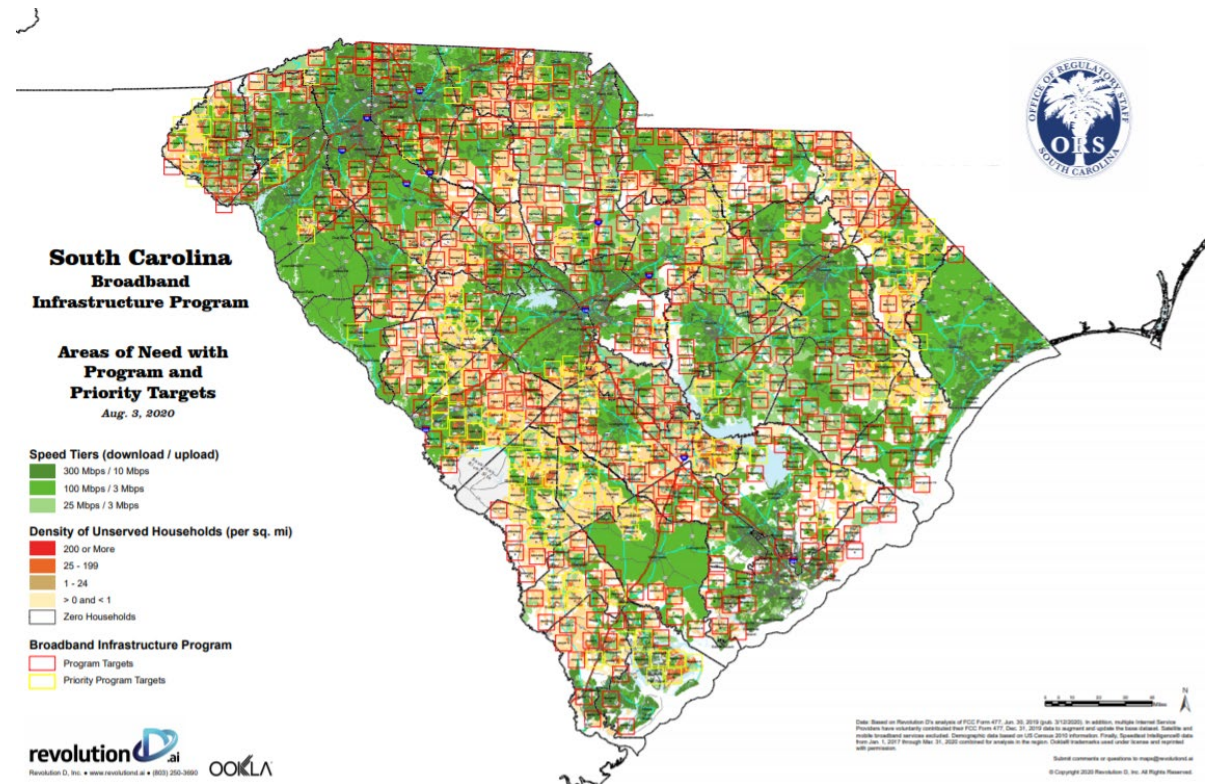


Infrastructure Deployment

Created:

1. [Overview](#)
2. [Press Release](#)
3. [Application](#)
4. [Guidelines](#)
5. Funding Agreement
6. Reporting
 - Financial Progress Report
 - Construction Progress Report

RevolutionD mapping identified unserved areas for infrastructure deployment



Infrastructure Deployment

Applications Funded	71
Companies	13
Counties Served	23
Program Targets	57
Priority Targets	35
Funding Awarded	\$ 25,467,761.24

Funding of these applications is subject to the completion of a funding agreement with the ORS and the evaluation of any duplication of infrastructure. More information can be found on the ORS website at ORS.SC.GOV/Broadband.

Report Date: 9/1/2020

Max Authorized Spend \$ 50,000,000

Funds Committed - Wireless & Wired Service

	Allocation	\$	20,000,000
Wireless Service		\$	13,586,122
Wired Service		\$	687,456
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Total Funds Committed	\$		14,273,578

Funds Remaining \$ **5,726,422**

Funds Committed - Broadband Infrastructure & Mapping

	Allocation	\$	30,000,000
Planning		\$	6,000
Mapping		\$	299,900
Broadband Infrastructure		\$	25,477,761
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Total Funds Committed	\$		25,783,661

Funds Remaining \$ **4,216,339**

Total Funds Remaining \$ **9,942,761**

Time & Related Payroll Expenses through August 31, 2020

	Total Hours	Related Payroll \$	Estimated Fringe	Total Payroll & Fringe
Electric Cooperatives	212.25	\$9,401	\$3,707	\$13,108
Act 135 – Santee Cooper	210	\$13,406	\$5,287	\$18,693
Act 142 – C.A.R.E.S Broadband	2,340	\$121,405	\$47,875	\$169,280
TOTALS	2,762.25	\$144,212	\$56,869	\$201,081

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