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Good Afternoon

Join 85+ Washingtonians in signing onto a letter to support continued Federal funding for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).

The ACP program helps our most vulnerable families in rural, Tribal, suburban, and urban Washington communities to connect to affordable internet and obtain devices. If Congress fails to act early in 2024, the funding is projected to run out and notices to current benefit users will have to be issued by internet service providers soon. A bipartisan Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act of 2024 is being introduced this month in the U.S. Senate and House. You can read more about this issue and urgency in the sign-on letter and this article in Politico.

Find the sign-on letter here.

If you wish to sign on in support, <u>please use this link to add your name or organization and contact information.</u> Or email our facilitator, Petra Vallila-Buchman directly at <u>pvallila@rossstrategic.com</u>.

This letter was written with the cross-sector WA State Digital Equity Strategy Group. We urge you to join us and lead us in supporting continued funding for the Affordable Connectivity Program.

Please also forward to others who care.

Thank you!

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