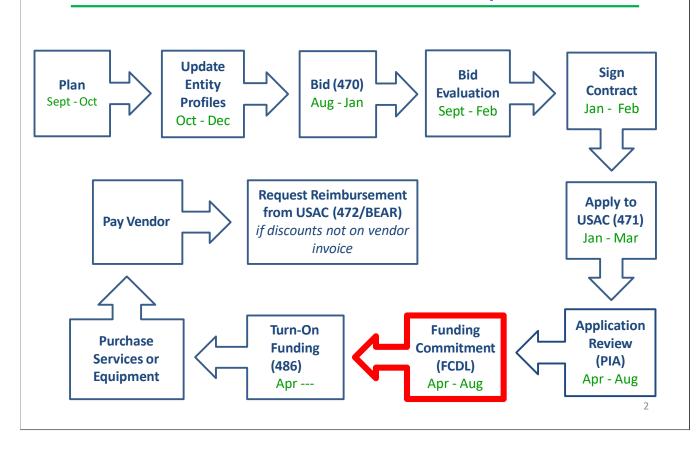
Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL) Guide FY 2023



May 2023

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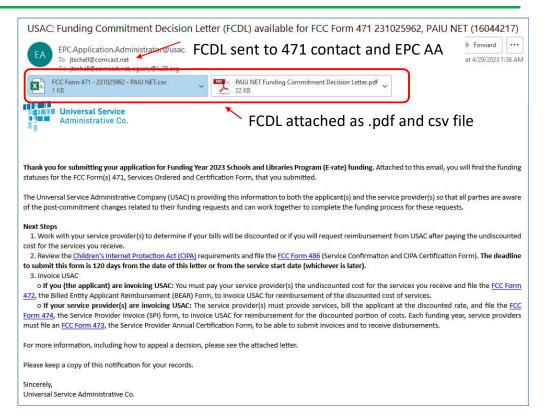


FY 2023 FCDL Overview

- After USAC reviews your Form 471, they issue a Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL) to the applicant
- FCDLs are issued in weekly funding 'waves' from late April until all applications are decided
 - Goal is to have all FCDLs released by September 1
- The FCDL is sent via e-mail to 471 contact; EPC AA is copied
 - No paper FCDLs are mailed
 - Email notification contains 2 attachments:
 - .CSV file with information in Excel format
 - User-friendly PDF of the FCLD

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FCDLs E-mails Look Like This:



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User-Friendly FCDL in .pdf Format

- First 3 pages of FCDL contain important notices:
 - Next step to file 486
 - Appeal process if funding was denied or reduced
 - Applicant responsibilities obligation to pay nondiscounted share, etc.
- Page 4 contains a summary of the decision
 - Lists each FRN Amount Requested, Amount Funded
 - Easy to decipher if funding was reduced or denied
- Next pages list the details of each FRN

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FCDL Overview Page

Funding Commitment Decision Overview

Funding Year 2023

Comment explains any changes to funding

Application Comments for FCC Form 471: #231025962

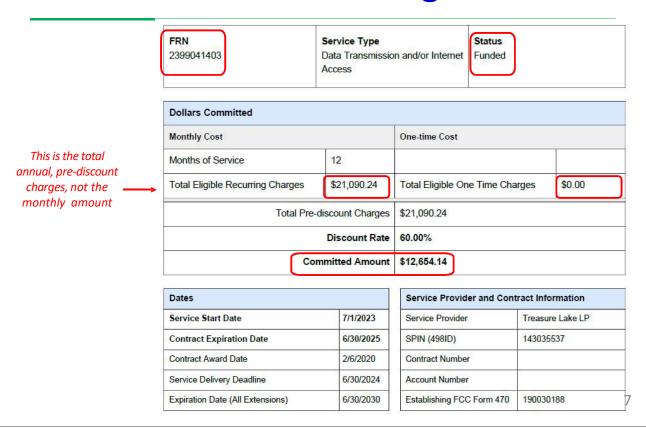
The applicant did not submit any RAL corrections.

Funding Commitment Decision Overview

Funding Request Number (FRN)	Service Provider Name	Amount Requested	Amount Committed	Status		
2399041403	Treasure Lake LP	\$12,654.14	\$12,654.14	Funded		

Shows amount requested and amount committed

FRN Detail Page



FCDL Comments

If anything was changed on the application, either at the request of the applicant or by the PIA reviewer, those changes will be indicated here.

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Funding Commitment Decision Comments

MR1: Approved as submitted.

If no changes were made, it will say "Approved as submitted."

.CSV Version of FCDL

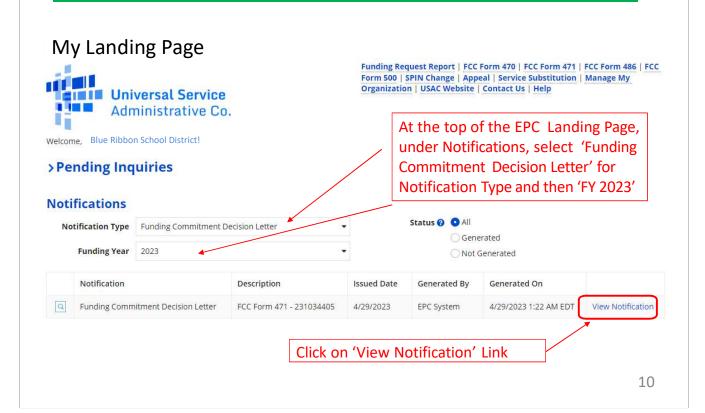
- In addition to the .pdf version, the FCDL also is sent as a .CSV file
 - The same information is contained in both files but formatted differently
 - .CSV file is helpful if you want to create an Excel table with your FCDL information
- The *.CSV file will open as a spreadsheet

BEN	BEN Name	FRN	FCC Form 471	Status	Service Type	Establishing FCC Form 470	Service Provider	Contract Expiration Date	Award Date	Expiration Date (All Extensions)	Total Eligible Recurring Charges	Total Eligible One Time Charges	Total Pre- Discount Charges	Discount Rate	Committed Amount	Application FCDL Comments	FCDL Comments
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16044217	PAIU NET	2399041403	231025962	Funded	Access	190030188	Lake LP	6/30/2025	2/6/2020	6/30/2030	\$21,090.24	\$0.00	\$21,090.24	60%	\$12,654.14	corrections.	submitted.

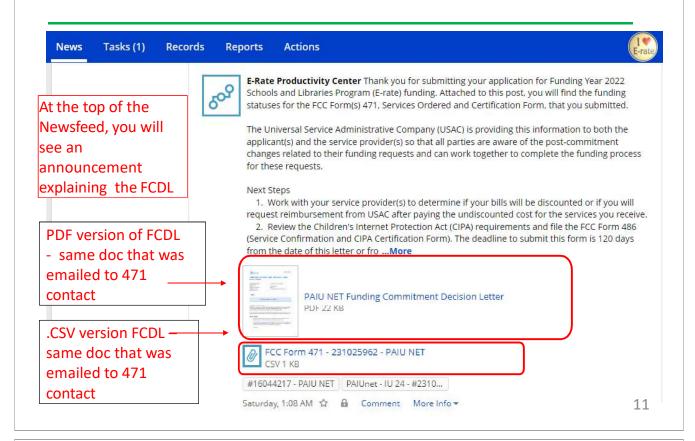
- Expand all of the columns to view the entire contents of the file
- Pay close attention to ensure that the committed amount is the same amount that you were expecting

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Generating FCDLs in EPC



FCDL in EPC



Next Steps...

- Review your FCDL Closely!
 - Make certain you agree with their decision. If not, file an appeal
 - Appeals must be dated and submitted within 60 days of the date of the FCDL. Submit appeals in EPC
- Request Discounts
 - If you want your vendor to provide discounted bills, notify them immediately
 - Some vendors will have additional paperwork to complete identifying the FRN, account number, etc.
- **File Form 486:** To "turn on funding" you must file a Form 486 within 120 days of the FCDL date (or October 28, whichever is later)
 - The 486 must be filed in EPC
 - VERY easy to file. Go to Landing Page and select "FCC Form 486"
 - Remember, you cannot file the Form 486 until a funding commitment has been issued for an FRN

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