## The Federal Communications Commission's

## **High-Cost Programs**

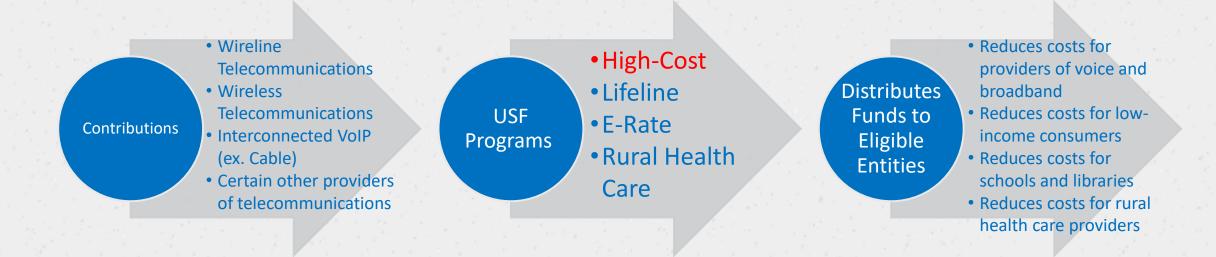
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## Universal Service Fund (USF)

"Universal service" – the availability of affordable, reliable telecommunications service throughout the nation – is a fundamental goal of federal telecom law.



Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the FCC established the Universal Service Fund in 1997 to subsidize telecom services for low-income consumers, rural health care providers, schools and libraries, and consumers in high-cost areas

**Fixed Services** 

Price Cap Areas

Rate of Return Areas

> A-CAM I, II, E-ACAM

> > CAF - BLS

HCLS (SNA, SVS)

Alaska Plan (RoR)

Alaska Connect Fund – Fixed ACF

> CAF ICC (RoR)

High-Cost Program

Key

**CAF Programs** 

**Legacy Programs** 

**Future Programs** 

CAF Phase II (model & ACS)

CAF Phase II (auction)

Rural Broadband Experiments

Puerto Rico/Virgin Islands Fixed

Rural Digital Opportunity Fund

Alaska Connect Fund – Fixed ACF **Mobile Services** 

Mobility Fund
Phase I

Alaska Plan (Mobile)

PR/Virgin Islands Mobile

Frozen High-Cost Support Mobile

5G Fund

Alaska Connect Fund – Mobile Phase II

## Questions?

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