## San Diego Adult Education Regional Consortium









Attention SDAERC Partners,

A couple special Digital Divide Announcements

#### **Events for Learners**

SDCCE, along with SANDAG, the City of San Diego and other community partners will be holding a Get Connected Event at the Educational Cultural Complex April 20<sup>th</sup>. Please share with students and participants so they can find out about local resources.

See flyer below and attached.

### SAN DIEGO COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

# **GET FAST.** RELIABLE

Through the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)

## Sign up at ACP **Enrollment Event**

Thursday, April 20, 11-6 p.m. Educational Cultural Center (in the parking lot) 4343 Oceanview Blvd., 92113



#### To sign up for discounted internet you must bring the following items:

#### Identity document (one of the following):

- U.S. Driver's License
- Government ID: State ID, U.S Military ID
- Passport (current from any country)
- Individual Taxpayer ID number
- Matricula or Visa Consular Card
- Birth Certificate (any country) for the minor that is the Benefit Qualifying Person (BQP)

#### Eligibility document (one of the following):

- · Monthly statement from WIC
- Proof of participation in National School Lunch Program (NSLP) at CEP designated school (Student ID, Birth Certificate, or any country
- Pell Grant Award Letter

A valid email address (a representative will help you set up an email if you do not have

\*Auto qualify if you 're enrolled in Medi-Cal, Ca/Fresh, Lifeline, Veterans Pension, and/or Survivor Benefits

Learn more at: internetforallnow org/events or call 866-745-2805













#### **Events for Professionals**

SANDAG will be holding a Broadband for All and Digital Equity (BEAD) event on April 21st at the San Diego Central Library. Register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/601701283737

This is an opportunity to provide input to help California develop the State's Digital Equity and BEAD Five-Year Action plans that will determine how federal dollars are allocated to address digital inequities in your community.

See flyer below and attached.









## Broadband for All, Digital Equity and BEAD Regional Planning Workshop – Friday, April 21

Please share this invitation with others within your network to promote awareness about this Workshop.

Dear Community Members and San Diego Leaders:

The internet is critical to everyday life. Yet 1 out of 5 Californians lack access to affordable, reliable broadband service, devices, and the skills to use them. As a result, millions in our state are unable to access essential government services and realize other social and economic benefits. This gap is known as the "digital divide," which most impacts low-income households, seniors, people with disabilities, veterans, incarcerated individuals, members of racial and ethnic minority groups, people with language barriers and low levels of literacy, and rural residents.

Broadband for All is the State's overarching program to close the digital divide and foster digital equity in our communities. The State has invested billions of dollars in this program to ensure that every resident has access to affordable and dependable internet service, devices, and skills training. But more needs to be done.

In partnership with the State Digital Equity team led by the State of California, Department of Technology, and California Public Utilities Commission, we invite your organization and local community to help us create a more equitable digital future by making your voices heard by participating in this digital equity workshop. Your input will help California develop the State's Digital Equity and BEAD Five-Year Action plans that will determine how federal dollars are allocated to address digital inequities in your community.

The Plans will be a major milestone toward ensuring greater internet access for those in Southern Border, so it is crucial that as many of us as possible participate in this planning process to offer our input to inform the State's Digital Equity and BEAD Plans.

#### San Diego Central Library Friday, April 21, 12PM to 4:30PM

Join us to share your thoughts. You'll also have a special opportunity to meet with State Officials.

Register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/601701283737 Questions? Please reach out to kyle.oryan@state.ca.gov

#### Sincerely,

San Diego Association of Governments Imperial Valley Economic Development

Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)

Southern Border Broadband Consortium (SBBC)

(SANDAG) Corporation (IVEDC)





California Public **Utilities Commission** 

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Or the State CAEP website

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