

TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE FY24
DIGITAL EQUITY COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM (DECGP)

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION
RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE application to the United States National Telecommunications and Information Agency (“NTIA”) for the Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program (DECGP).

WHEREAS, this bill fulfills a threshold application requirement for funding opportunity number NTIA-DECGP-2024;

WHEREAS, the DECGP program furthers the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma’s (the “Nation”) strategic goal of supporting service delivery and increasing Tribal Member quality of life by enhancing digital literacy, increasing access to technology, promoting online safety, and facilitating access to online services;

WHEREAS, funds from the Grant for DECGP will provide digital literacy training and essential resources for low to moderate-income Tribal Members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined it is in the best interest of the Nation to apply to NTIA for DECGP funds to provide digital literacy training and essential resources for low to moderate-income Tribal Members.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval for application to the National Telecommunications and Information Agency, Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program, (Funding Opportunity Number: NTIA-DECGP-2024).

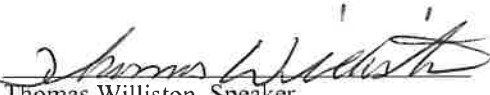
BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that eleven (11) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on October 12, 2024. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 04 -25 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of eleven (11) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.



Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

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Gary Battop, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 10-17-24

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Purpose/Need of Council Bill: To approve application to the National Telecommunications and Information Agency for the Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program (DECGP) to provide digital literacy training and essential resources for low to moderate-income Tribal Members. This bill will achieve the Nation's strategic goal of supporting service delivery and increasing Tribal Member quality of life by enhancing digital literacy, increasing access to technology, promoting online safety, and facilitating access to online services.

Title of Council Bill: TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE FY24 DIGITAL EQUITY COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM (DECGP)

Federal Agency: National Telecommunications and Information Agency

Choctaw Nation Department: Information Technology Department of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Maximum Federal Award Available: TBD

CNO Match: TBD

Maximum Project Budget: TBD

Request by Project Director/SEO: Linda Goodwin, Project Director; Randy Hammons, Executive Director; Stacy Shepherd, Executive Officer; Teresa Jackson, SEO

Suggested Legislative Committee Review: Finance Committee