

2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Communications Equity and Diversity Council

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1. Department or Agency

Federal Communications Commission

2. Fiscal Year

2024

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Communications Equity and Diversity Council

3b. GSA

Committee No.

2613

4. Is this New Fiscal Year? **5. Current Charter** **6. Expected Renewal Date** **7. Expected Term Date**

No 06/22/2023 06/22/2025

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

No

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Approval from the FCC Chairman

13. Effective Date

04/24/2017

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The mission of the Committee is to make recommendations to the Commission on how to empower disadvantaged communities and accelerate the entry of small businesses, including those owned by women and minorities, into the media, digital news and information, and audio and video programming industries, including as owners, suppliers, and employees. It is also to provide recommendations to the Commission on how to ensure that disadvantaged communities are not denied the wide range of opportunities made possible by next-generation networks.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members represent a wide variety of entities with interests in media, broadband, digital news and information, and audio and video programming. CEDC members may include representatives from private companies, government agencies, trade associations, broadcast stations, cable operators, satellite providers, other multichannel video programming distributors, content companies, online video distributors, broadband companies, venture capital, and private equity firms.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 3
Estimated Total Meetings - 3

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Committee is intended to provide an effective means for stakeholders with interests in the relevant areas to exchange ideas and develop recommendations to the Commission on media ownership and procurement opportunities, empowering communities in order to spur educational, economic, and civic development, and consumer access to digital technologies. The Committee's work is intended to enhance the Commission's ability to carry out its statutory responsibility to promote policies favoring diversity of media voices, localism, vigorous economic competition, technological advancement, and promotion of the public interest, convenience and necessity.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Not Applicable

21. Remarks

The committee name was renamed with the June 21, 2021 renewal from the Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment to the Communications Equity and Diversity Council.

Designated Federal Officer

Jamila Bess Johnson DFO

Narrative Description

As addressed in the FCC's Equity Action Plan 2021 under Chairwoman Rosenworcel, the Communications Equity and Diversity Council work supports the Commission's strategic goal of promoting diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility. The FCC will work to ensure equitable and inclusive access and facilitate the ability of underserved individuals and communities to leverage and benefit from the wide range of opportunities made possible by digital technologies, media, communication services, and next-generation networks.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

127

Number of Recommendations Comments

Recommendations reflected (127) are from the CEDC and its predecessor committee, the ACDDE. The CEDC proposed 29 new recommendations during the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. As indicated above, the ACDDE was renamed the CEDC in June 2021. The number of recommendations reported previously was inaccurate and was corrected last year and going forward.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

34%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Recommendations reflected (127) are from the CEDC and its predecessor committee, the ACDDE. As indicated above, the ACDDE was renamed the CEDC in June 2021.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or

will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Agency feedback is provided at meetings. In addition, from time to time, Commissioners and other FCC staff address the committee and are available for questions.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



Access Comments

Not Applicable