

## California State Library Announces New High-Speed Broadband Access Program Partner

CTC Technology & Energy Selected as State Library's Partner for Successful High-Speed Broadband Program

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**[Sacramento, Calif.]** – The California State Library announced today that CTC Technology & Energy, an experienced and recognized expert in complicated technology projects, has been selected as its partner for the <u>High-Speed Broadband in California State Libraries Program</u>.

In this role, CTC Technology & Energy will help coordinate the library's highspeed broadband initiatives for local libraries, which has connected 950 of Californian's 1,130 local libraries to the same highspeed broadband network as the University of California, the state university system, community colleges and public schools.

"CTC's more than 30 years of experience solving challenging problems throughout the country is a tremendous benefit to the libraries of California and the communities they serve in getting the connectivity they need as quickly and as painlessly as possible," said Greg Lucas, California State Librarian.

CTC delivers independent financial, strategic, and technical, guidance to public and non-profit entities, including state and local governments, non-profit consortia, universities, and cooperative and municipal utilities including the states of Connecticut, Kansas, New Mexico, Ohio, and Texas, the One Maryland Broadband Network, the Massachusetts Broadband Institute, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the National League of Cities.

"CTC is excited to join the California State Library in this important work as the State continues to identify areas for improvements in broadband access for its libraries," said Heather Mills, Vice President for Grant & Funding Strategies at CTC Technology & Energy. "We look forward to being a part of this collaborative effort and continuing our strategic support of the State Library. As we enter this new phase of the program, we will continue to expound on the virtues set forth in this program."

On February Tuesday, March 29 from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm, a webinar "California State Library Broadband Program - Service Updates" will be hosted by the California State Library to review transition details and answer questions about the transition and current broadband access opportunities for the state's eligible library locations.

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