

Broadband has become a necessity in the Modern Age, and its utilization is only continuing to grow as many outlets look to broadband to provide services. Therefore it is vital that broadband be accessible to ALL Americans regardless of their location. The fact that 18 million americans don't have access to broadband in 2012, over 10 years after it's entrance into the mainstream, is very troubling. To put it bluntly, we are handicapping our fellow Americans solely because they choose to live in an uncommon area. This discrimination, though it is unintentional, must be righted immediately. All Americans must have access to broadband, as doing so boosts economic growth by expanding the national online marketplace. Adding consumers to the marketplace is vital for America to prevent another recession which we have just narrowly escaped. Furthermore, accessing these untapped citizens will provide more job opportunities and further business development throughout the country. I encourage further advancement of the Connect America Fund, and implore the FCC to carry through with the entire act, and not transition from it like the Universal Service Fund.

Thank you for your time

- Luke Trevino