

## HOW CAN WE HELP?

Triple R Consultants' goal is to provide K-12 public, private and charter schools expertise in the USF E-Rate process, technology planning, telecommunication services, project management, competitive bid development and compliance.

With more than 50 years combined experience in educational technology, public administration, research, writing and editing forms and documents, Triple R Consultants understand the pressures and time constraints educators face in determining the most cost effective technologies for their schools and how to leverage funding for Implementation.

Since E-Rate is our business, 52 weeks a year, we have dedicated USF E-Rate compliance specialists who virtually become a part of your team to successfully navigate the process for you and help you claim all the E-Rate funding you are entitled to receive.



*Navigation made easy with our experienced team...*

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## E-RATE SOLUTIONS<sup>SM</sup>

*Maximize E-Rate Funding*

*Minimize Workload*

*Ensure Timely Compliance*

*Integrate Technology*

**D**edicated to providing full service E-Rate Solutions<sup>SM</sup> to leverage funding for K-12 schools

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*"Experienced E-Rate Compliance Specialists"*

## WHAT IS USF E-RATE?

As part of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the Schools and Library Division (SLD) E-Rate Program provides a mechanism for most K-12 schools and public libraries in the United States to apply for and receive up to 90% reimbursement for their telephone, internet and other communications related expenses from the Universal Service Fund (USF).

The goal of the E-Rate Program is to assist K-12 schools and libraries with affordable access to telecommunication services, including the internet, for enhancing teaching and promoting 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning. The total amount of USF E-Rate reimbursements claimed nationally each year is approximately \$2.25 billion for K-12 schools and libraries combined. Unfortunately, Michigan's K-12 schools and libraries combined receive much less than the actual claimable reimbursement amount available through the E-Rate Program.

There are several reasons why E-Rate funding in Michigan is lower than the actual claimable amount each year. The most common reasons for not receiving funds is failing to apply and missing deadlines, while eligible requests are often denied because of form application errors. In addition, the extensive paperwork and knowledge of compliance regulations required by the E-Rate Program is time consuming, costly, and may require additional staffing and training.

## USF E-RATE SERVICES

- Determine the best E-Rate filing options to maximize funding requests
- Electronically complete and submit required forms and documents
- Integrate technology and budget planning to leverage E-Rate funding
- Monitor program updates and rule changes for FCC and SLD compliance
- Act as FCC and SLD documentation and communications liaison
- Assist with SLD service providers
- Provide an annual records book for PIA reviews and selective audits

## ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Review prior years E-Rate documents for accuracy
- Perform inventory review and assess technology budget needs
- Facilitate technology planning meetings
- Prepare FCC and SLD funding decision appeal letters
- Conduct professional seminars and training on "E-Rate Funding Solutions"

*"Triple R Consultants made the process very easy, painless, and captured E-Rate dollars for our district that were being left on the table."*

*Liz Broderick,  
Saugatuck Public Schools*

## QUALITY TEAM OF SPECIALISTS

Triple R Consultants' commitment to total quality management principles is the key to our success with the USF E-Rate Program.

Our Educational Technology Consultant has an MS degree in Career and Technical Education with emphasis in the NCLB Act. He has more than 30 years professional experience in business and education information technology management, including the planning and implementation of a \$14 million Educational Technology Bond.

Our Business Administration Specialist has a BBA degree in Marketing and more than 29 years experience in writing, editing and copyrighting, business forms and documents for both the public and the private sectors. She has more than 10 years of experience in research, writing and editing K-12 educational technology plans for more than 80 school districts.

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