

SHLB MEMBER POLICY GROUPS

Members shape and advance SHLB advocacy positions and share updates and insights with the community by participating in SHLB policy groups.

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Member Policy Call

Every other Monday
2 PM ET

This call provides updates on federal and state broadband policy developments across the broadband landscape. It's the best way to stay informed about SHLB's policy work and advocacy efforts in support of anchor institutions, and how those policies impact your organization.

E-Rate

First Thursday
2 PM ET

This group discusses aspects of the E-Rate program. Members help develop and shape our advocacy strategy for policymakers, notably the FCC and USAC, to ensure these funding sources work effectively and efficiently for schools and libraries, its principal stakeholders.

Congressional

Second Tuesday
2 PM ET

This group discusses and crafts policies that support the continued flow of funds through the Universal Service Fund to support the needs of anchor institutions and their surrounding communities.

Rural Healthcare

Second Thursday
2 PM ET

This group works to ensure that the FCC's Rural Health Care Program works effectively and efficiently for health care providers. Members discuss ways to streamline application processing with USAC and craft advocacy positions to continue to modernize the program.

Broadband Deployment

Third Tuesday
2 PM ET

This group advocates for policies that expand broadband investment for anchor institutions and their communities, including federal programs (BEAD, CPF, RDOF), deployment models, and pole attachments.

Spectrum

Every other month
Third Thursday
2 PM ET

This group discusses spectrum policies that impact anchor institutions' access to unlicensed and affordable licensed spectrum. The group also discusses wireless projects that extend service from the anchor institution to the home.

Anchors for Digital Opportunity

Fourth Tuesday
2 PM ET

This group supports SHLB members' work to advance digital opportunity goals. Discussions focus on policies and programs to promote universal access to broadband and digital inclusion developments, programs, and innovations.