

GATA Mission

The Mission of the Government Access Television Alliance (GATA) subcommittee of the Cable Advisory Council Area 2 (CAC) is to administer the annual grant process as the CAC deems appropriate.

GATA Procedures

1. The GATA subcommittee shall meet at least two (2) times each calendar year and shall file said meeting schedule with each member town/city's clerk by January 31 of each calendar year.
2. The first GATA meeting shall be to review the reports submitted by the grantees and review the grant application and make revisions as the GATA members shall deem appropriate.
3. The chairman of GATA shall then send out applications and cover letters to each town/city mayor or first selectman and the person named in the previous year's application as the person designated to receive the grant application on behalf of his/her city or town as well as the Amity Regional #5 School system (the educational channel coordinator for Orange & Woodbridge). This can be done by mail or email.
4. By February 15 of each calendar year, the chairman of GATA shall submit a report to the Public Utility Regulatory Authority (PURA) describing the items purchased by each grantee, the amount awarded and amount spent by each grantee which should total One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars.
5. The second meeting of GATA shall be to review the grant applications, recommend an amount for each grantee and submit the recommendations to the CAC for final approval.
6. The chairman of GATA shall then send out award letters to each grantee with a copy of the report due after the purchases have been made.
7. The chairman of GATA shall invoice Altice Cablevision 30-60 days prior to the following due dates for quarterly payments: October, January, April and July. Invoices should be submitted to: Jennifer Young, Director of Government Affairs, Altice Cablevision of Southern Connecticut, 28 Cross Street, Norwalk, CT 06850 either by mail or email.
8. The chairman of GATA in July or August shall disperse checks to each grantee in the amount awarded (and reminding them to submit reports by the due date). Two (2) signatures are required on the checks - either the GATA chairman, the CAC chairman and/or the CAC Treasurer. The GATA grant year runs from October 1 - September 30.

GATA Membership

GATA membership is restricted to CAC Area 2 affiliated city/towns. GATA members are appointed by the CAC chairman and shall consist of one member from each city/town that participates in the grant process.