



Cable Advisory Council Area 2

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TO: Cable Advisory Council Area 2 Grant Applicant

SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: New Grant Process for Government or Education Access TV for Grant Year October, 2023-September, 2024

Dear Applicant:

As you know, CGS §16-331gg offers town governments an additional means of communicating to their citizens. School districts may showcase their educational achievements in academics, arts and athletics and bring educational issues to the attention of their communities. This is an added responsibility as well as an opportunity. This law also sets aside \$100,000 annually for grants to help with production and programming for those towns that choose to operate town-specific channels. These funds may be used for equipment needs and to subsidize labor costs.

This grant year we are going to change the way we do the grant process and follow the Cable Area 1's model. Since we have had five applicants for most of the years that we have been giving these grants, we are going to divide the money according to the formula the members of the Cable Advisory Council approved – each town will receive \$22,500.00 and the Amity Regional School District #5 which runs the Orange and Woodbridge Educational PEG channels, will receive \$10,000.00. You will be asked to file a report form in December, but you will not have to file an application requesting the funds.

Payment of grant funds will be made prior to the end of the grant year, September 30, 2024, which is when Altice makes the final payment to the Cable Advisory Council. **The deadline for filing the Grant Report is December 15, 2024. If your town or school district was awarded a grant last year, your report form must be on file with the Grant Administrator before consideration of this year's grant funding will be entertained.**

If you have any questions, please contact me at 203-988-0624 or newgelt@optonline.net.

Sincerely,

Marlene Silverstein

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Grant Administrator