

# 2023 Current Fiscal Year Report: Communications Equity and Diversity Council

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<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>
Federal Communications Commission	2023
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>
Communications Equity and Diversity Council	2613

<b>4. Is this New Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>
No	06/29/2021	06/29/2023	

<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>
No		

<b>9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year</b>	<b>10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?</b>	<b>10b. Legislation Pending?</b>
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Agency Authority

<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
Approval from the FCC Chairman	04/24/2017	Continuing	No

**15. Description of Committee** National Policy Issue Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of Reports** No Reports for this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open** 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0

**Meetings and Dates**

No Meetings

	<b>Current</b>	<b>Next</b>
	<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The mission of the Committee is to make recommendations to the Commission on how to empower disadvantaged communities and accelerate the entry of small businesses, including those owned by women and minorities, into the media, digital news and information, and audio and video programming industries, including as owners, suppliers, and employees. It is also to provide recommendations to the Commission on how to ensure that disadvantaged communities are not denied the wide range of opportunities made possible by next-generation networks.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

Members represent a wide variety of entities with interests in media, broadband, digital news and information, and audio and video programming. CEDC members may include representatives from private companies, government agencies, trade associations, broadcast stations, cable operators, satellite providers, other multichannel video programming distributors, content companies, online video distributors, broadband companies, venture capital, and private equity firms.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 3

Estimated Total Meetings - 3

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

This Committee is intended to provide an effective means for stakeholders with interests in the relevant areas to exchange ideas and develop recommendations to the Commission on media ownership and procurement opportunities, empowering communities in order to spur educational, economic, and civic development, and consumer access to digital technologies. The Committee's work is intended to enhance the Commission's ability to carry out its statutory responsibility to promote policies favoring diversity of media voices, localism, vigorous economic competition, technological advancement, and promotion of the public interest, convenience and necessity.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

Not Applicable

## 21. Remarks

The committee name was renamed with the June 21, 2021 renewal from the Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment to the Communications Equity and Diversity Council.

## Designated Federal Officer

Jamila Bess Johnson DFO

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Alarcon, Raul	12/06/2021	06/29/2023	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Au Allen, Susan	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	National President and CEDC	Representative Member
Banks, Clayton	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	CEO	Representative Member
Bauer, Matthew	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Vice President and Executive Director of Connected Communities	Representative Member
Beasley, Caroline	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	CEO	Representative Member
Branson, Robert	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	President and CEO	Representative Member
Brooks, Robert	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Digital Solutions Specialist	Representative Member
Chaney, Joi	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Executive Director of the National Urban League Washington Bureau and Senior Vice President for Policy and Advocacy	Representative Member
Class, Edgar	07/01/2022	06/29/2023	Attorney	Representative Member
Cober, Michele	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Director of External Affairs and Strategic Alliances in Public Policy Group	Representative Member
Dillard, Graham	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Brand Manager	Representative Member
Ellis, Sarah Kate	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	President and CEO	Representative Member
Gate, Heather	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Vice President of Digital Inclusion	Representative Member
Gibbons, Rebecca	01/03/2022	06/29/2023	Strategic Initiatives Manager	Representative Member

Gomez, Anna	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Partner, Wiley Rein, LLP	Representative Member
Gordon, Cecelia	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Vice President, Distribution	Representative Member
Harrison, Dominique	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Director, Technology and Racial Equity, Citi Ventures Studio	Representative Member
Honig, David	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	President and CEO	Representative Member
Houghton, Jill	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	President and CEO	Representative Member
James, Chris	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	President and CEO	Representative Member
Johnson, Broderick	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Executive Vice President for Public Policy and Executive Vice President for Digital Equity	Representative Member
Johnson, Ronald	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	Senior Advisor and Chief Strategist for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	Representative Member
Kizart, Sherman	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Managing Director and Founder	Representative Member
Lazarre, Nicolaine	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Vice President of Policy and External Affairs	Representative Member
Mendoza, Rosa	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Founder, President and CEO	Representative Member
Nahuja, Aama	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Legal Counsel	Representative Member
Peraertz, Louis	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	Vice President of Policy	Representative Member
Rivera, Henry	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Partner, Wiley Rein, LLP	Representative Member
Roberts, Steven	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	President and Principal	Representative Member
Robinson, Vickie	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	General Manager, Airband Initiative	Representative Member
Scarpelli, Brian	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	Senior Policy Counsel	Representative Member
Spann Cooper, Melody	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Chair and CEO	Representative Member
Stanberry, Charlyn	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	Vice President, Government Relations	Representative Member
Tate, Joycelyn	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Senior Policy Advisor	Representative Member
Tijerino, Antonio	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	President and CEO	Representative Member

Turner Lee, Nicol	10/29/2021	06/29/2023	Director, Center for Technology Innovation	Representative Member
Winston, James	10/31/2021	06/29/2023	President	Representative Member
Wood, Christopher	11/01/2021	06/29/2023	Executive Director	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 38**

**Narrative Description**

As addressed in the FCC's Equity Action Plan 2021 under Chairwoman Rosenworcel, the Communications Equity and Diversity Council work supports the Commission's strategic goal of promoting diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility. The FCC will work to ensure equitable and inclusive access and facilitate the ability of underserved individuals and communities to leverage and benefit from the wide range of opportunities made possible by digital technologies, media, communication services, and next-generation networks.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

**Outcome Comments**

Not Applicable

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

**Cost Savings Comments**

Not Applicable

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

98

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

Recommendations reflected (98) are from the CEDC and its predecessor committee, the ACDDE. As indicated above, the ACDDE was renamed the CEDC in June 2021. The number of recommendations reported previously was inaccurate and has been corrected this year and going forward.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

14%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Recommendations reflected (98) are from the CEDC and its predecessor committee, the ACDDE. As indicated above, the ACDDE was renamed the CEDC in June 2021.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

Not Applicable

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

Agency feedback is provided at meetings. In addition, from time to time, Commissioners and other FCC staff address the committee and are available for questions.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

Not Applicable

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

Not Applicable

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Access Comments**

Not Applicable

