



CCD 2024 Task Force Annual Report

1. Brief Task Force Description or Mission Statement

The CCD Technology and Telecommunications Task Force deals with issues related to accessing telecommunications and assistive technology in education, employment, and independent living.

2. Three Issues the Task Force Worked on in 2024

- a. Overall funding for Accessible Technology.
- b. Full digital (including websites and other information and communications technology (ICT)) accessibility and ensure AI is fully accessible. The Task Force will work to advise and educate that accessibility is included in guidance, legislation and regulations. This includes working to promote the AT guidance the Department of Education is expected to release in December 2023.
- c. Educating Congress and the Administration on assistive technology and accessibility issues

3. Three Issues the Task Force Anticipates Working on in 2023

- a. Sustain and promote federal investments in assistive technology, accessible telecommunication devices, and all federal supports of an accessible world in an effort to close the digital divide and promote digital inclusion.
- b. Through integrated efforts with other CCD Task Forces, increase full digital accessibility (including websites and other information and communications technology (ICT)), including by supporting legislation such as the Section 508 Refresh Act, and ensure AI is fully accessible.
- c. Educating Congress and the Administration on assistive technology and accessibility issues that include the economic value of these investments.

4. Task Force Meeting Day of the Month and Meeting Time (Eastern)

Fourth Friday of the month at 12 pm EST

5. 2025 Task Force Co-Chairs:

Audrey Busch, ATAP
Eric Buehlman, NDRN
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