News from the Iowa Communications Network

Headlines / Resources

Adding Direct Connections for Cloud Services

ICN recently added direct express Cloud routes to Microsoft (Azure), Amazon (AWS), and Google Cloud and an additional 250 plus cloud providers. Many customers already embrace cloud applications, and now are asking for the secure and private direct connection to a cloud provider.

Read why customers connect to the cloud.

Free Security Resources Available

Organizations today have to navigate the fast-changing world of security threats. We have put together a list of resources to help our customers advance their security capabilities. The resources highlight information from the following:

- Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)
- KnowBe4
- Palo Alto

What matters most is that security becomes a priority within your organization. Take small steps to assess current practices to determine what could be implemented in a reasonable amount of time.

Review the resources available.

K-12 Education Customers:
Fiscal Year 2023 FCC Form 470 Available on July 1

The FY 2023 FCC Form 470, which starts the competitive bidding process, will be available July 1. Applicants starting their bidding processes early will be able to complete and certify the 470 form. The FCC news brief about the Form 470 availability can be viewed here.

Social Media Highlights

Welcome to the ICN

We are excited to welcome Jennifer Crandell. She is joining our Business Services team as our newest Project Manager.

Highlighted Service

This quarter we are highlighting our Professional Services. Our experience is strong for telecom and operations support, network design, security consulting, fiber management, and contracting.

Broadband & Security Articles

Esport teams expand opportunities for students at Iowa's high schools

Engineers develop cybersecurity tools to protect solar, wind power on the grid.

Cedar Rapids Area High School Students Gain Hands-On Computer Science Education through NewBoCo's DeltaV Code School

Rural applications research at Iowa State University receives boost from Ericsson and NSF-Funded PAWR Project Office

988 Launched. Here's What 9-1-1 Needs to Know

The definition of broadband internet may change. Here's why.

All 50 States, Territories and D.C. Join Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program

FirstNet Authority Launches Immersive Virtual Lab for Public Safety Research and Training