

# CLOSING THE **DIGITAL DIVIDE** IN **ORANGE COUNTY**

## PROBLEM

We won't close the Digital Divide unless we prioritize network investments for California's historically unserved communities.



# 43,623

Households Unserved at Any Speed<sup>1</sup>

Orange County has more unserved households than any other county in California.



## SOLUTIONS

Amend SB 156 to make unserved communities the priority to help close the Digital Divide.



### REACH Unserved Households

Require the CPUC to prioritize middle mile projects that enable last mile connections to California's households unserved at 25/3 mbps



### ENSURE CPUC Accountability

Hold CPUC accountable for its progress on funding projects and closing the Digital Divide



### MODERNIZE CASF Program

Streamline and simplify CASF to use federal ARPA funds before they expire EOY 2024



### ADVANCE Digital Inclusion

Allocate an additional \$10 million in state resources to promote digital literacy and broadband adoption