

2022 ANNUAL REPORT



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Letter from MMTC President & CEO Robert Branson

In 2022, the Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) continued to pursue the mission of promoting equal access and representation in tech, telecom and media. MMTC fulfilled our mission by:

- Advocating for diverse entrepreneurs and underserved communities with the support of coalitions in filings and proceedings before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), other government agencies, and policymakers.
- Advancing digital equity through the Black Churches 4 Digital Equity Coalition and launching a fellowship training program that served 25 fellows from Black churches and Black church nonprofit organizations.
- Discussing with the Biden-Harris Administration and congressional members and their staffs the Affordable Connectivity Program.
- Serving as members of the FCC's Communications Equity and Diversity Committee (CEDC).
- Convening symposiums and panel discussions with advocacy organizations, government officials, and industry leaders.
- Sharing our thought leadership in publications, podcasts, and virtual events organized by academic institutions, advocacy organizations, government agencies, policy think tanks, and telecom companies.
- Expanding our efforts to build a diverse pipeline of legal and policy professionals by training and mentoring 12 law students in our fellowship program.

This Annual Report highlights these efforts and reflects work and dedication of our staff, Board of Directors, Board of Advisors, and donors. We have and will continue to work toward our vision of a fully connected, educated, healthy, and empowered society in which all communities thrive.

Robert E. Branson, Esq.
MMTC President and CEO

What We Stand For



Our Mission

To promote equal access and representation in tech, media, and telecommunications through opportunity creation, awareness building, and advocacy.

Our Vision

A fully connected, educated, healthy, and empowered society in which all communities thrive.

Our Values

- Equity, Inclusion, and Justice
- Integrity and Transparency
- Entrepreneurship and Access to Capital
- Empowerment through Equal Opportunity, Upskilling, and Workforce Development

Audited Financials¹

Our Support	2022
Contributions & Grants	\$1,515,355
Programs	\$394,550
Investments	\$162,700
Total	\$2,072,605
Our Expenses	
Program Services	\$1,052,806
Support Services	\$190,336
Total	\$1,243,142
Net Surplus	\$829,463

¹ Audited Financials as of December 31, 2021

Who We Are & What We Do



Who We Are

The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) is the tech, media, and telecom (TMT) industries' leading non-partisan, national nonprofit diversity organization. Since opening our doors on December 17, 1986, MMTC has worked tirelessly to promote and preserve equal opportunity, civil rights, and social justice in the mass media, telecom, and broadband industries, and to close the digital divide on behalf of its members and constituents, including owners of radio and television broadcast stations, programmers, prospective station owners, tech entrepreneurs, diverse suppliers, and others involved in the TMT industries.

What We Do

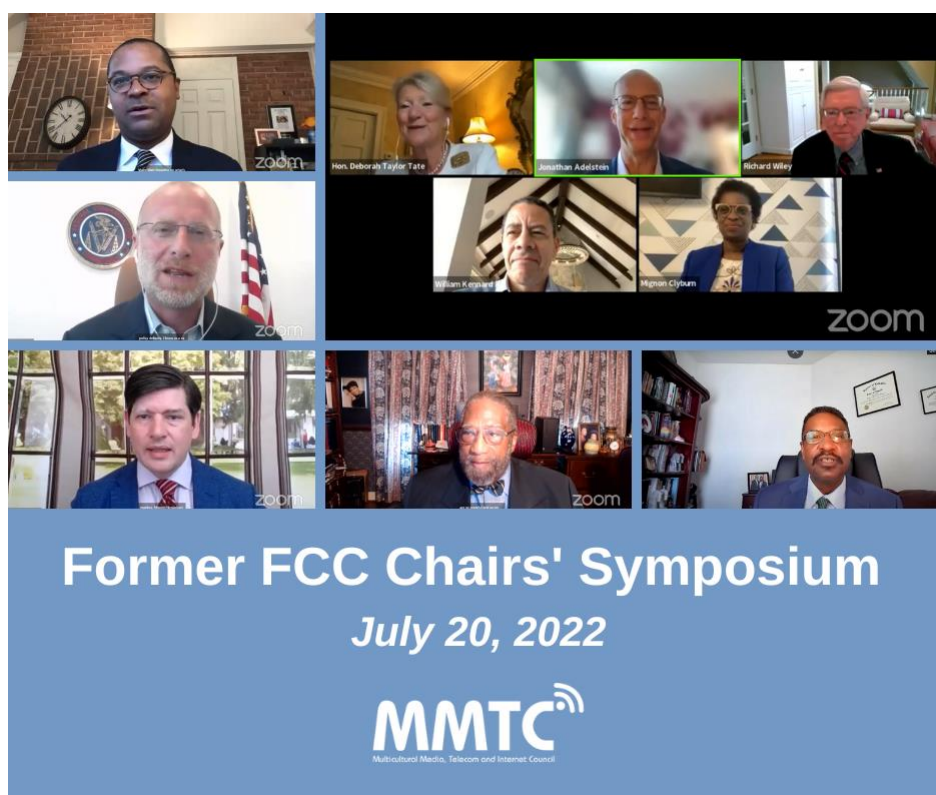
MMTC has represented over 80 nonprofit organizations in FCC rulemaking proceedings, advancing the cause of diversity and inclusion. We have led advocacy coalitions and made presentations in proceedings at the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL), the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), the General Accounting Office (GAO), the U.S. Congress, the federal courts of appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court. We also have trained and mentored over 100 minority and women law students through our fellowship program. In addition, we operate MMTC Media and Telecom Brokers, the nation's only minority-owned nonprofit media and telecom brokerage, and have incubated 10 broadcast new entrants through our station donation program since 2005. In the past decade, it has accepted donations of more than 90 LPTV stations, many of which were sold to minorities or new entrants that we continue to mentor.

The Impact We Made in 2022

Highlighted Achievements and Activities

Former FCC Chairs Symposium

MMTC has become the home for a series of widely attended communications policy symposia featuring several of the 14 active former FCC chairs. Our most recent FCC Chairs event, held virtually in July 2022, featured Chairman Richard Wiley, Chairman William Kennard, and Interim Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn. Current FCC Commissioners Brendan Carr, Geoffrey Starks, and Nathan Simington also participated in the symposium. Former FCC Commissioners Deborah Taylor Tate and Jonathan Adelstein moderated the panel discussion. MMTC Board Chair Ronald Johnson delivered closing remarks. MMTC President and CEO Robert Branson served as the Symposium MC. Learn more [here](#) (video included).



Black Churches for Digital Equity Coalition

Building on the success of our Black Churches 4 Broadband Coalition in 2021, MMTC rebranded it and launched the Black Churches 4 Digital Equity (BC4DE) Coalition this year. Our BC4DE Coalition includes a national fellowship program that trained 25 fellows from Black churches and Black church nonprofit organizations located in California, the District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, New York, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. As a result, our fellows were able to educate members of their community about broadband internet assistance programs, encourage unconnected households to get online, to train and organize leaders as advocates to get their communities connected, and to advance digital equity. We estimate that collectively our fellows, through their churches, networks, and work touched a minimum of 500,000 people weekly.



The BC4DE Coalition and partners organized “Days of Action for Digital Equity” at 30 sites across 10 states with the goal of helping eligible community members enroll in the historic Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). These participating anchor institutions touched 22,000 people with direct emails and in-person worship communications about ACP enrollment. See the photo collage below. For more information, watch the video [here](#) and visit www.blackchurches4digitalequity.com.



Key Video and Podcast Links:

- [Comcast Newscaster’s interview with MMTC President and CEO Robert E. Branson about Black churches uniting for digital equity, January 30, 2022](#)
- [Connected Nation’s podcast interview with MMTC Vice President Dr. Fallon Wilson about the BC4DE Coalition, February 21, 2022](#)
- [Black Churches Leading Digital Conversations Panel, March 14, 2022](#)
- [Black Churches 4 Digital Equity Coalition's National ACP Day of Action Kick-Off Event, September 24, 2022](#)

For more information, visit the BC4DE Coalition’s media page [here](#).

MMTC-Hosted or Participated in Broadband Webinars and Thought Leadership Meetings

- MMTC attended the White House's briefing where President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris announced their administration's Internet for All initiative, a \$45 billion investment that expands access to affordable high-speed internet access for millions of Americans.
- MMTC participated in FCC Commissioner Geoffrey Starks’ "Connecting Black Communities: Federal, State, & Local Strategies for Closing the Digital Divide" webinar. Watch the video [here](#).

- MMTC joined the Connecting Communities: Digital Equity & Closing the Digital Divide discussion at the 2022 FCBA Annual Seminar.
- MMTC spoke at the HTTP Digital Inclusion Summit panel on “Expanding Digital Opportunity to Every Home, Everywhere: A Three-Pronged Strategy for Success (Affordability, Adoption, and Digital Skills).” Watch the video [here](#).
- MMTC participated in the Brookings “How Close is the United States to Universal Broadband?” webinar. Watch the video [here](#).
- MMTC served as a panelist for the Plenary Session 7: Leading Thriving Communities: The Role of Technology & Mayors in Achieving Equity at the African American Mayors Association.
- MMTC joined the Black Tech Policy Week’s panel on A Stream Sankofa Moment: Black Content Through the Lens of Traditional Broadcast to Diving into the Metaverse & Policy. Watch video [here](#) (start at 1:42 mark).
- MMTC discussed the Black Churches 4 Digital Equity Coalition during the Free State Foundation’s 14th Annual Policy Conference.
- MMTC participated in Microsoft and Connect Americans Now Virtual Faith Leaders Town Hall where we discussed the Black Churches 4 Digital Equity Coalition.
- MMTC participated in the development of the FCC Communications Equity and Diversity Council's (CEDC) Diversity and Equity Working Group's report that examined how the FCC can affirmatively advance equity, civil rights, racial justice, and equal opportunity in the telecommunications industry to address inequalities in workplace employment policies and programs. Watch the meeting video [here](#).
- MMTC discussed the Black Churches for Digital Equity Coalition during the Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference’s Black Church Summit.
- MMTC gave a presentation on how HBCUs can use broadband infrastructure dollars to build Black tech ecosystems in their cities during the NTIA HBCU Anchor Institutions and their Surrounding Communities: Inclusion in State Broadband Planning and Digital Equity Capacities webinar.
- As a member of the FCC Communications Equity and Diversity Council (CEDC), MMTC’s Black Churches 4 Digital Equity Coalition fellow spoke at the CEDC and Media Bureau's Digital Skills Gap Symposium & Town Hall. Watch the replay video [here](#).
- MMTC participated in the [Congregational Delegation at the Progressive Governance Summit’s Cracking the Ceiling: Driving Equal Participation in Tech and the Economy session](#) in Berlin, Germany.
- MMTC joined the Prioritizing the Black Rural South (broadband) panel at the Joint Center Future of Black Communities Summit.
- MMTC moderated the Broadband Infrastructure: Funding Black Tech Ecosystems panel discussion during the Blacks in Technology’s BITCON 2022.

- MMTC spoke during the Creating the Equity-Focused Workforce of the Future panel and moderated the (Big) Data Economy: Inclusion and Fairness session at the Marconi Society's Decade of Digital Inclusion Symposium.
- MMTC joined the "Expanding Broadband Internet Access and Adoption for Rural Black Farmers and Families" panel at the National Black Farmers Association's 32nd Annual Conference.
- MMTC President attended the FCC's Communications Equity and Diversity Council (CEDC) that discussed the Digital Empowerment and Inclusion Working Group report. The report included recommendations that address digital discrimination and other barriers that impact equitable access to broadband and other emerging technology in under-served and under-connected communities. Click [here](#) for the report, recommendations, and replay video.
- MMTC joined the Black Women in Tech: Closing the Digital Divide Through Activism, Collaboration & Ownership session at the Healthy Churches 2030 Annual Conference.
- MMTC participated in the Connect the Future's virtual panel discussion about pole-attachment rules and closing the digital divide.
- MMTC joined the broadband discussion during the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators' 20th National Summit's Tri-Caucus Joint Policy Session.
- MMTC discussed the Black Churches 4 Digital Equity Coalition's work with NTIA's State Federal Program Officers.
- MMTC spoke during the National Collaborative for Digital Equity and FDIC's [Assembling Strategic Inclusion Allies Enhancing Resources and Measuring Impact webinar](#).
- MMTC joined the Actions More Than Words and the Washington panels at the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters, Inc.'s 46th Annual Fall Broadcast Conference and 22nd Power of Urban Radio Forum.
- MMTC participated in the LGBT Tech's Encryption and Marginalized Communities panel discussion.

Connecting Black Communities:
Federal, State, and Local Strategies for Closing the Digital Divide
Tuesday, Feb. 22nd, at 11:00 AM EST

Hosted By:
Geoffrey Starks
Commissioner,
Federal Communications
Commission

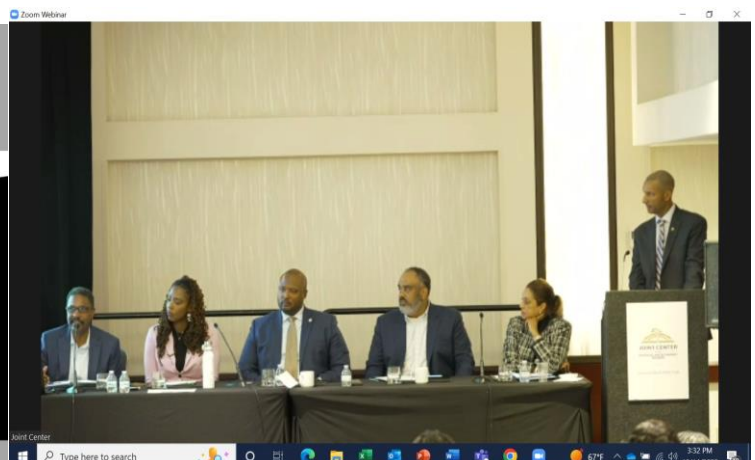
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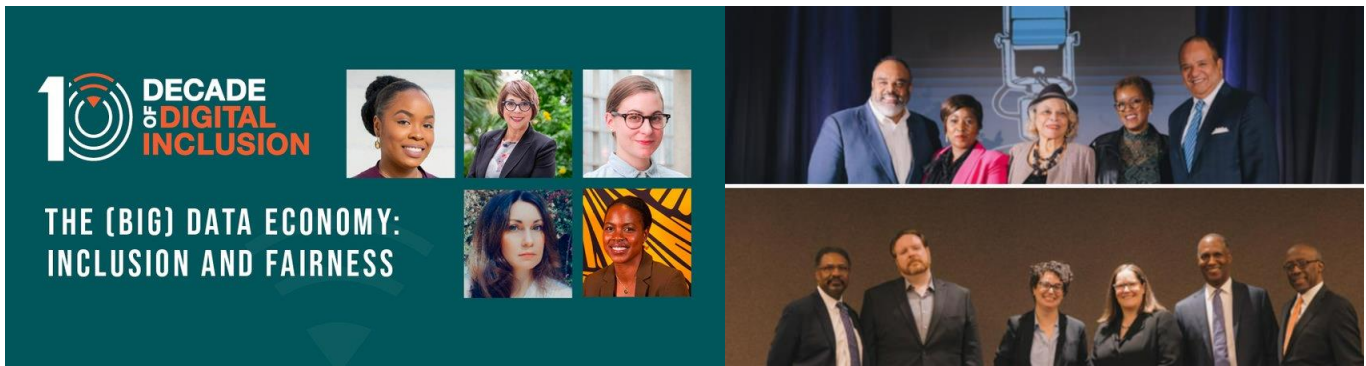
- Jim O'Boyle
Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives
- Gina Raimondo
U.S. Secretary of Commerce
- Mich Landrigo
Deputy Director of Policy, Department of Information Technology and Innovation
- Alan Davidson
Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information

Panelists:

- Mandela Barnes
Executive Director, State of Missouri
- Brian Brantley
Executive Director, State of New York
- Jessica Rosenzweig
Deputy Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
- Brendan Carr
Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
- Nathan Srinivasan
Commissioner, National Communications Commission
- Lari Lightfoot
Mayor, City of Chicago, Illinois
- Harold Davis Jr.
Mayor, City of Augusta, Georgia
- Scott Woods
Deputy, Office of Minority Business Enterprise, USA

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MMTC and CTIA Publication and Discussions

- Published the *Wireless in Communities of Color: Bridging the Digital Divide* paper that presents a history of the digital divide, major steps in closing it, and how we can continue expanding access to transform lives for communities of color. Download the paper [here](#).
- MMTC joined CTIA for a conversation about wireless in communities of color during the Connecting Us: The Wireless Industry Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion webinar. The meeting referenced MMTC and CTIA's new paper, *Wireless in Communities of Color: Bridging the Digital Divide* that presents a history of the digital divide, major steps in closing it, and how we can continue expanding access to transform lives for communities of color. Watch the replay video [here](#).
- MMTC joined the Wireless for Good panel discussion that was held during CTIA's Everything Policy Regulatory Program at Mobile World Congress. The panel focused on how the wireless industry is promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion and achieving environmental objectives, as well as the myriad ways our connected world can serve as a catalyst for good across a variety of societal vectors.



MMTC, ALLvanza, and OCA Asian Pacific American Advocates' Moving Underserved Communities Forward Series

- From EBB to ACP: Let's Get Our Communities Connected Webinar: Held virtual discussion with FCC and congressional representatives and policy experts that discussed the Emergency Broadband Benefit, the Affordable Connectivity Program, and what the transition means for vulnerable communities. Watch the replay video [here](#).

- 5G Wireless and Future Technological Innovations Webinar: Hosted a discussion with the FCC and policy experts that focused on the impact of 5G wireless and other future technologies on underrepresented communities. Watch the replay video [here](#).
- Cybersecurity Trends and the Impact on Underserved Communities Webinar: Hosted a discussion that focused on the state of cybersecurity, the ways marginalized communities are particularly vulnerable, how we can work together to educate people on threats they might face online, and what career opportunities these challenges can provide to members of all communities who are interested in helping to promote solutions. Watch the replay video [here](#).

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Allvanza MMTc ADVOCATE
Moving Underserved Communities Forward Series:

From EBB to ACP: Let's Get Our Communities Connected

RSVP: <https://bit.ly/ebbtocp>

FEB 22
4:00-5:30PM Eastern
#Broadband4All

Rep. Grace Meng
—
U.S. Congress, NY-6

Rep. Tony Cardenas
—
U.S. Congress, CA-29

Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel
—
Federal Communications Commission

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Allvanza MMTc ADVOCATE
Moving Underserved Communities Forward Series:

Cybersecurity Trends & the Impact on Underserved Communities

OCTOBER 25, 2022
4:00-5:00PM EST

Sandra Caraveo
National Programs Manager,
League of United Latin
American Citizens (LULAC)

Joi Chaney
Executive Director of the
Washington Bureau and Senior Vice
President, Policy and Advocacy
National Urban League (NUL)

Emily Chi
Director, Telecommunications,
Technology and Media, Asian Americans
Advancing Justice - AAJC

Joe Viens
Senior Director of
Government
Affairs, Chairman

Howard Tsui
Robotic Security
Engineer, Amazon

Danielle Davis
Tech and Telecom
Policy Counsel, MMTc

Rudy Brioché
Vice President and
Policy Counsel,
Comcast

Roberto Gittens
Information System
Security Officer, QinetiQ

Advised NTIA on Maximizing Impact of Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (“BEAD”)

MMTC and a coalition of organizations advised NTIA to direct BEAD grant funding to projects that are focused on deploying broadband networks to unserved and underserved multicultural, low wealth, rural, and urban communities, as well as to projects aimed at increasing broadband adoption in communities with low broadband subscription rates. They also advised NTIA to direct Digital Equity Planning grants toward projects intended to reduce barriers to access and adoption for disadvantaged communities and ensure that the views of key stakeholders from a diverse array of backgrounds are included in the development of state digital equity plans. Read more [here](#).

Advised FCC on Applying a Broad Interpretation to Implement the Affordable Connectivity Program

MMTC advised the FCC to interpret and implement the Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act broadly to ensure underserved communities, especially low-income families and communities of color, continue to receive the maximum broadband benefits throughout the transition period from the EBB Program to the Affordable Connectivity Program. Read more [here](#).

Argued Against New York’s Affordable Broadband Act

MMTC and ALLvanza argued that New York’s Affordable Broadband Act is unlawful because it represents state-specific balkanization of broadband via rate caps which is fundamentally harmful to closing the digital divide. They supported the district court’s right to enjoin the law and declare it preempted. Read more [here](#).

Advised FCC on Transforming the Universal Service Fund’s Contribution Mechanism

MMTC, the National Action Network, the NAACP, and the U.S. Black Chambers, Inc., recommended the FCC transform the current funding structure of the Universal Service Fund (USF) because it is incapable of meeting growing connectivity demands solely by adding consumer broadband internet access services revenues to the assessable revenue base. The coalition advised the FCC to take this action to better reflect the realities of today’s internet environment and to ensure that all companies who offer integrated services that include both

telecommunications (transmission) and non-telecommunications components contribute their fair share. Read more [here](#).

Urged NTIA to Ensure States Can Accurately Identify Unserved Households in MDUs When Deploying Infrastructure Bill Funds

MMTC joined a coalition of organizations led by the EducationSuperhighway to urge the NTIA to use its authority to encourage states to supplement new FCC Maps with data that identifies specific apartment units that lack access to reliable broadband service. Read more [here](#).

Advised U.S. Department of Commerce to Issue Build America, Buy America Waiver for Broadband Network Equipment and Consumer Devices

MMTC joined the Schools, Health & Libraries Broadband (SHLB) Coalition in requesting the U.S. Department of Commerce to issue a waiver of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) “Build America, Buy America” (BABA) requirements for broadband network equipment and consumer devices. The coalition informed the Commerce Department that the majority of broadband equipment is not currently manufactured in the U.S., and most of the component parts are derived from abroad. It also discussed how applying the BABA provisions to IT components will raise costs, reduce infrastructure build, and delay project completion, all without creating any new jobs. It argued the BABA provisions could jeopardize broadband deployment and adoption objectives. Read more [here](#).

Advised FCC on How to Interpret Digital Discrimination

MMTC recommended the FCC view the Infrastructure Act from the perspective of subscribers and focus on issues related to both broadband adoption and availability. MMTC also advised the FCC to use an analytical framework that is anchored to a theory of disparate impact when addressing digital discrimination. Read more [here](#).

MMTC and Coalition Reinforce the Vital Importance of Content Moderation

The coalition filed an amicus brief to support the preliminary injunction that prohibits Texas from enforcing Texas House Bill 20 because it poses a direct threat to healthy and safe online communities. The bill restricts, undermines, and burdens the ability of online providers to exercise their First Amendment rights to moderate content on their private services. Read more [here](#).

MMTC and NABOB Support Change in FCC FM Booster Rule

MMTC and NABOB’s letter to the FCC supported the change in the FCC’s FM booster rule because it would enable deployment of technology that could give small and minority broadcasters new tools to serve their listeners. Read more [here](#).

MMTC and Stakeholders Advocate for Equitable Distribution of Pole Attachment Cost

MMTC and a coalition of organizations submitted comments to the FCC urging the agency to equitably distribute pole attachment costs between owners and attachers, and disputes resolved expeditiously. Their comments explained how this action will ensure that broadband funds most effectively support broadband deployment and connecting the communities with the greatest need. Read more [here](#).

MMTC & NABOB Successfully Challenge FCC’s Authority to Require Broadcasters to Check Federal Sources to Verify Foreign Sponsors’ Identities

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit issued an opinion regarding a petition for review of an FCC order filed by MMTC and NABOB that held the FCC cannot require radio broadcasters to check federal sources to verify sponsors’ identities. The U.S. Court of Appeals vacated that aspect of the challenged order. Read more [here](#).

MMTC and Coalition's Amicus Brief Advocates on Behalf of Students for Fair Admissions v. President and Fellows of Harvard College

MMTC, the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters, the National Hispanic Foundation for the Arts, the Emma Bowen Foundation for Minority Interests in Media, and the National Newspaper Publishers Association's amicus brief argued that eliminating the use of race as a factor in college and university admissions will have adverse consequences throughout the communications industry and beyond. Read more [here](#).

MMTC & Coalition Urge U.S. Senate to Extend FCC Spectrum Auction Authority

MMTC joined a coalition of organizations in sending a letter to the U.S. Senate that requested a short-term extension of the FCC's spectrum auction authority to ensure American wireless communications networks and services continue to bring innovation, opportunity, and access to all Americans. The coalition urged the U.S. Senate to preserve the FCC's ability to auction spectrum because it is critical to facilitate the deployment of nationwide 5G and future technologies, to spur competition and innovation, and bring essential connectivity to all Americans. Read more [here](#).

Civil Rights and Labor Advocates Submit EEO Supplemental Comments

MMTC, the Asian Americans Advancing Justice - AAJC, the Black Women's Roundtable, Common Cause, the Communications Workers of America, the Hispanic Federation, the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation, the National Urban League, the Service Employees International Union, Strategic Organizing Center, the United Church of Christ Media Justice Ministry filed comments with the FCC that asserted the agency should collect and publish equal employment opportunity (EEO) data from data by broadcasters and cable operators. Read more [here](#).

MMTC Urges FCC to Reprioritize Its Commitment to Women & Minority Broadcast Ownership

MMTC sent a letter of support to the FCC to reaffirm and reprioritize its commitment to women and minority broadcast ownership by approving the Latino Media Network's application to acquire 18 Spanish language radio stations from TelevisaUnivision. Read more [here](#).

MMTC Advocates on Behalf of Inspiration Media, Inc.'s Request to FCC for Expanded Band Waiver Request

MMTC's letter of support to the FCC urged the Commission to waive Section 73.1150(c) and allow Inspiration to assign KNTS to Baaz, as doing so would serve the public interest and is warranted by the special circumstances of this case. Read more [here](#).

MMTC Joins Coalition to Address Multifamily Residential Housing and Community Anchor Institution Inaccuracies in FCC Broadband Map

The coalition led by EducationSuperhighway wrote a letter to FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel that expressed their concerns about the undercount of unconnected households and community anchor institutions in the FCC National Broadband Map. The coalition requested the FCC address these deficiencies and ensure that all unconnected and under-connected entities are accounted for, before the Map is made available to the NTIA for Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment and Digital Equity determination of state allocations.

Read more [here](#).

Fellowship Program

MMTC's Fellowship Program is committed to the professional development of our law student Fellows through intensive training, guest speakers, and mentoring. We are an external preceptor site for nine ABA accredited law schools. Twelve law students participated in the program in 2022. See the list below. They earned academic credit for learning FCC rulemaking and advocacy practice.



2022 Fellows

- Natalie Alexis, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Brittany Brown, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Cassandra Brown, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University College of Law
- Alexandra Cohen, American University Washington College of Law
- Cheriline Fertil, Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law
- Alexia Harkley, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Karen Pineda, Florida International University College of Law
- Jori Opara, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University College of Law
- Maya Sav'age, Southern University Law Center
- Ankevia Taylor, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University College of Law
- Adaeze Uche, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Shakina Williams, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University College of Law

MMTC Media & Telecom Brokers



MMTC Media & Telecom Brokers is the nation's only brokerage firm with a sole focus of working with minorities and women and new entrants. Our clients have included dozens of minority broadcasters as well as large broadcast companies, such as Clear Channel (now iHeart Radio), CBS Radio, NBC, ION, Gray Television, Entercom, Nexstar and Urban One. In 2022, we closed seven television transactions at the FCC. We also focused on researching and pursuing leads for new business opportunities, including the purchase and donation of radio stations that can be used to train for new minority entrants in 2023 and beyond.

Digital Communications



In 2022, MMTC's digital communications included our social media and website presence, newsletters, publications, and podcast interviews. Together, they helped disseminate information and resources quickly and strengthen our relationship with stakeholders at various levels.

Online Audience, Impressions, and Reach

Our online audience of 108,900 audience was comprised of our social media followers, website visitors, and newsletter subscribers. See the breakdown below.

- 6,500 social media followers (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter, Vimeo, Wakelet and YouTube)
- 9,400 newsletter subscribers (Constant Contact; bounced emails were removed from newsletter list which reduced the number of subscribers)
- 93,000 website visitors (includes 31,000 from mmtconline.org and 62,000 from blackchurches4digitalequity.com)

Our social media and website reach and engagement led to 432,000 impressions in 2022 (150,000 from MMTC social media impressions, 232,000 from mmtconline.org impressions, and 50,000 from blackchurches4digitalequity.com impressions as of December 31, 2022).

Newsletters

We sent out eight newsletters in 2022, including our main newsletter that focused on educating and informing our subscribers about our law and policy efforts, fellowship program, and brokerage activities. Newsletters are available [here](#).

Publications and Podcast Interviews

Our thought leadership was featured in the AFRO, Black Women’s Roundtable Report, Black Enterprise, Comcast Newscasters, the Commercial Appeal, Connected Nation Podcast, and SDXcentral.

- [Comcast Newscasters’ Interview with MMTC President and CEO Robert E. Branson: Black Churches uniting for digital equity](#), January 30, 2022
- [Connected Nation Podcast with MMTC Vice President Dr. Fallon Wilson: Black Churches 4 Broadband Coalition and Need for Universal Broadband](#), February 21, 2022
- [AFRO Article: “Black Churches 4 Digital Equity fights to close the digital divide”](#) by MMTC Vice President Dr. Fallon Wilson, March 24, 2022
- [The Black Women’s Roundtable Report Article \(page 88\): “Public Policy to Support Black Women Leading in Public Interest Technology”](#) by MMTC Vice President Dr. Fallon Wilson, March 31, 2022
- [MMTC and CTIA Paper: Wireless in Communities of Color: Bridging the Digital Divide](#), July 2022
- Black Enterprise Advisory: [“Black Church Leaders to Hold a National Day of Action for Digital Equity, Saturday, Sept. 24,”](#) September 12, 2022
- [Essence Article: These Non-Profits Are Paying For Free Internet Services To Underserved Families](#) by Jasmine Browley, September 28, 2022
- [SDXcentral Article: “CTIA: Wireless Industry Key to Bridging Digital Divide”](#) by Tommy Clift, September 29, 2022
- [Commercial Appeal Op-Ed: “Better broadband maps will help close the digital divide in rural, urban areas”](#) by MMTC President and CEO Robert Branson, November 30, 2022

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- Dr. Fallon Wilson, Vice President, Policy
- Ananda Leeke, Esq., Chief Social Media Officer
- Danielle A. Davis, Esq., Tech and Telecom Policy Counsel

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- Suzanne Gougherty, President, MMTC Media and Telecom Brokers

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- Francisco Montero, Partner, Fletcher Heald & Hildreth; Former Director, FCC Office of Communications Business Opportunities
- Hon. Henry M. Rivera, Former Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission
- Steven C. Roberts, President and Founder, Roberts Broadcasting Company
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- Andrew Schwartzman, Senior Counselor, Benton Institute for Broadband & Society
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