

EDEN Digital Equity Certification

support digital businesses that **promote digital equity**.

Why is digital equity certification important?

Access to the internet and online tools has become critical to success in education, work, healthcare, and more. However, there exist great disparities in access to quality broadband internet. To ensure that all New Yorkers have equal access to the internet and its benefits, the City of New York is launching the Expanding Digital Equity (EDEN) Index to encourage internet service providers to provide high-quality, affordable broadband for all. Inspired by [Fair Trade](#), [Organic](#), and [B-Corp](#) certifications, the EDEN certification is a way to measure a broadband provider's contribution to digital equity.



EDEN Platinum

For providers with a digital equity score over 90



EDEN Gold

For providers with a digital equity score over 75



EDEN Silver

For providers with a digital equity score over 50



EDEN Bronze

For providers with a digital equity score over 25

What does digital equity certification measure?

Companies accredited as 'Digital Equity Champions' have contributed to digital equity in New York City by improving metrics in at least one of the 5 domains below:

- Access to fixed or mobile internet and telephone;
- Enablement of academic, adult literacy, or digital skills;
- Use of technology and digital services, such as e-banking and e-government services;
- Access to affordable broadband, financial services, or trusted technology; and
- Greater housing stability, access to support services, and other mechanisms that reduce the historical disenfranchisement of underserved communities.

Support EDEN-certified businesses!

To learn more information about how your internet provider is improving digital equity in New York City, see <https://eden.data.cityofnewyork.us>. For any questions about this initiative, please contact eden@data.cityofnewyork.us.