



## Press Statement

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### **MMTC Partners with CTIA to Release New Paper:** **Wireless in Communities of Color: Bridging the Digital Divide**

**WASHINGTON, DC. (July 28, 2022):** MMTC has partnered with CTIA, the wireless association, to publish a 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. Go here to download the paper: <https://mmtconline.org/wirelesscocpaper>.

"Access to a wireless connection is access to opportunity. Over a decade ago, MMTC recognized the role wireless played in connecting communities of color—a role mobile connectivity still plays today. This year we partnered with CTIA to highlight the progress toward closing the digital divide in our communities, said MMTC President and CEO Robert E. Branson. "In spite of our progress, we must never become complacent in our advocacy. Today, our communities have greater access to connectivity than ever before—but our work is not done. With continued investment, forward-thinking policies, and on-the-ground advocacy from government, industry, and public policy and community organizations, we will enable our communities to harness the power of the internet and connect to opportunity."

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#### **About MMTC:**

The Multicultural Media, Telecom, and Internet Council (MMTC) is a non-partisan, national nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and preserving equal opportunity and civil rights in the mass media, telecom, and broadband industries, and closing the digital divide. MMTC is generally recognized as the nation's leading advocate for minority advancement in communications. MMTC's vision is to achieve a fully connected, educated, healthy, and empowered society in which all communities thrive. Visit MMTC's website [here](https://mmtconline.org).