AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS GUILD

Understand the Guild

Why ATG exists, how the model fits together, and what is still being built.

Updated October 15, 2026 · Plain-language summary

Printable web reading guide · 11 November 2026

This reading guide summarizes ATG's supplied documents. The program is in development; descriptions of intended services are not announcements that enrollment or delivery has begun.

Built from the field

ATG is an Arizona nonprofit building a workforce and standards institution for telecommunications infrastructure. Its purpose is to connect practical training, demonstrated competency, field verification, and accountability for the work. It brings workers and responsible employers into the same conversation.

What the Guild does

The proposed model connects four systems: a structured apprenticeship; opt-in contractor support such as documentation and audits; supervised overflow work on agreed scopes; and controlled field testing that feeds lessons back into training. ATG does not bargain wages, broker labor, or compete for primary contractor scopes.

What makes the approach different

The aim is to connect skills and credentials that workers otherwise assemble separately. Portability is a goal to demonstrate through employer acceptance and field results; the website does not promise universal carrier recognition.

Where it stands

ATG is incorporated in Arizona. IRS recognition of 501(c)(3) exemption and apprenticeship registration are being pursued. The Desert Southwest pilot is in preparation, and enrollment is not open. Program launch depends on funding, qualified supervision, agreements, and independent oversight.

The source describes the intended operating model as well as founding-stage work. Read present-tense program descriptions as design commitments, not confirmation that every service is operating. The current website targets a first intake in 2027; final cohort size depends on secured funding and qualified supervision.

Original source reference: ATG-Overview-v4.docx

Original planning edition. This source is preserved as supplied. Statements about registration, funding, credentials and delivery partners may describe intended arrangements rather than current operations. Enrollment is not open; use this reading guide for current status.

Current web guide: https://atguild.net/library-overview