



Priority Project 1 – Broadband Availability Expansion

Vision

Ensure broadband is available in all areas of the county and that there are adequate fiber optic resources to meet the anticipated needs of the county.

Mission

Secure broadband providers to extend service to all areas of the county currently defined as un-served and or under served and provide the appropriate level of bandwidth for current and future needs of county residents and businesses.

Actions

- Identify all un-served and under served areas in the county where broadband service is needed.
- Secure "last mile" providers to extend service to all un-served and under served areas of the county.
- Evaluate current and planned fiber assets from existing providers and determine if these assets are adequate to meet the needs of the county. If it is determined that these plans are inadequate to meet the needs of the county, work with existing and or new providers to secure the resources required.

Measurement

Increase Broadband Availability from 95% to 100% within 16 months. Increase equates to 1,905 additional households with available service, from 40,419, for a total of 42,324 by March 2011.

Timeline

To be determined during project planning – estimated completion 12/31/2009.

Implementation Team

Project Leader: To be determined by the project team.

Project Team: Carla Fonte, Wooster Community Hospital; Cindy Horn, Wayne County; Vincent DiScipio, The College of Wooster; Becky Furlong, Wooster City Schools; Ty Collins, City of Wooster (will be recruited by team members listed above); Representatives from each of the remaining (9) sectors in Wayne County.