



Priority Project 2 – Community Technology Centers Enablement

Vision

Provide access to computers and broadband service to those who do not have access at home.

Mission

Expand the number of community technology centers in the county and update existing community technology centers in order to provide access to computers and broadband service to those who currently do not have access at home.

Actions

- Evaluate facility and hardware needs at existing community technology centers to determine if updates are required.
- Determine whether additional locations are needed in the county.
- Apply for funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for existing and or new locations.
- Work with higher education institutions and schools districts to determine if such facilities could be made available for use as community technology centers.

Measurement

Increase number of publicly available computers to equal 1 per 80 Broadband non-adopters. At the current adoption rate of 50%, this equates to 21,162 non-adopting households, equaling a need for 265 publicly available computers supported and maintained by public computer centers dispersed within the county geographically.

Increase Broadband Adoption from 50% to 80% within 18 months. Increase equates to 12,521 additional households adopting service, from 21,162, for a total of 33,683 by June 2011.

Timeline

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



Implementation Team

Project Leaders: To be determined by the project team

Project Team: Representatives from the Wayne County and Orrville Public Libraries.