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Tablet and Laptop Lending Project Stoughton Area Senior Center, WI

Reference:
https://www.arts.gov/grants/american-rescue-plan-grants/american-rescue-plan-grants-to-organizations/how-to-apply#p50421

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WI-002

Project Title

Tablet and Laptop Lending Project, Stoughton Area Senior Center, WI

Project Description

Tablet and laptop lending services supplement other programs to support connectivity, such as the Affordable Connectivity Program. The purpose of this project is to make internet services available to people who need them for access to online communications, including medical appointments, video previews of medical procedures, online shopping, and food deliveries. Tablets and laptops also support inexpensive exploration and practice as a step toward learning to master smartphones. Three key elements for offering device lending services are (1) internet access, (2) availability of wifi-enabled devices, and (3) outreach for information and coaching. A program for tablets was implemented at Stoughton Area Senior Center, Stoughton, WI, in September 2021. The Stoughton Area Senior Center tablet lending program was inspired by (1) the Tablets2Go and EveryoneOn Madison programs available at Madison Senior Center and administered by the City of Madison and DaneNet, and (2) the Maydm organization lending program for educational electronics. The Stoughton Area School District Chromebook lending service was a key, highly developed model.

Proposed Project Start/End

[January 2023/December 2024]

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Project Plan

Project summary:

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The Stoughton Area Senior Center tablet lending program was inspired by (1) the **Tablets2Go** and **EveryoneOn Madison** programs available at **Madison Senior Center** and administered by the City of Madison and **DaneNet**, and (2) the **Maydm** organization lending program for educational electronics. The **Stoughton Area School District** Chromebook lending program was a key, highly developed model.

Purpose: To make internet services available to people who need them for access to online communications, including medical appointments, video previews of medical procedures, online shopping, and food deliveries. Tablets also provide inexpensive exploration and practice as a step toward learning to master smartphones.

Eligibility at Stoughton Area Senior Center

Participants are asked to fill out a brief rental agreement form. The rental term is 90 days and is renewable without a standard limit for additional 90-day terms.

Key project elements

- **Wifi access:** Local sources of free wifi are shared, and free assistance is available to apply for reduced device and wifi fees through the Affordable Connectivity Program.
- **Wifi-enabled devices**: A free computer lab and a free lending program for inexpensive refurbished Samsung and Apple tablets are available. Donations fund the tablets.
- **Outreach**: Volunteers provide four services; (1) free tech support, (2) coaching, (3) classes, and (4) device maintenance. Stoughton Area Senior Center staff oversee the program.

Estimated cost: $1,100.00

2 Samsung Galaxy Tab A7 Lite 8.7" Tablets with 32GB Storage, and cases: $300
2 Samsung Galaxy Tab A8 10.5" Tablets with 32GB Storage and cases: $300
1 Google Chromebook, $350
1 Apple iPad, 10.2" (9th gen. 2021, refurbished) , $350
1 Charging Rack (13.75" L, 10: W,6.5" H for 10 tablets), $150

Information resources

Stoughton Area Senior Center: https://stoughtonseniorcenter.com/	**Affordable Connectivity Program**: https://www.fcc.gov/acp
Stoughton Area School District: https://www.stoughton.k12.wi.us/our-district/departments/technology/student-technology/chromebook-addendum	**National Assistive Technology Act Technical Assistance and Training Center**: https://at3center.net/device-lending/
Stoughton Public Library: https://www.stoughtonpubliclibrary.org/	**National Telecommunications and Information Administration**: https://ntia.gov/page/about-ntia
Tablets2Go, free tablets for adults 55+ who are registered for a Madison Senior Center program: https://www.cityofmadison.com/calendar/tablets2go	**Internet for All**: https://www.internetforall.gov/
DaneNet: https://www.danenet.org/	**Wikipedia**: Broadband Universal Service