



**Federal Stimulus Bill
 “Shovel-Ready” Projects
 CETF Urban/Rural Regions**

WHO – APPLICANT	WHAT – PROJECT DESCRIPTION	HOW MUCH – PROJECT COSTS/BUDGET	BEGINNING END DATE
<p>Amador-Tuolumne Community Resources, Inc Shelly Hance, Executive Director shance@atcaa.org 209-533-1397 EXT 236</p>	<p>Project Scope: A-TCAA Central Sierra Connect (CSC) formed to address a common lack of technology resources in our rural, remote region. More than 50 local public, private and government partners have teamed up with ATCAA CSC on this effort. The ATCAA Central Sierra Connect Rural Access Model provides greater access to technology-based cultural, health and human services and connectivity in isolated outlying communities distinguished by a high level of low income and a low level of technical skills. This project will increasingly meet current basic survival and quality of life needs and will lay the foundation for future communication and economic well-being. A trilogy of infrastructures--emerging wireless (Wi-Fi) technology, a regional Information and Referral (I&R) network of computer labs, digitally literate staff and volunteers, and skills training for service providers and residents--is the backbone for progress in an isolated environment. The strategy will be to upgrade and expand the existing network of drop-in Neighborhood Information Centers (NICs) through creation of dedicated computer labs in both outlying communities and high-traffic agencies that target unserved and underserved populations to provide improved access to computers and the internet; expand trained staff and volunteers who provide outreach and teach technology skills; provide computer literacy training including internet skills, basic computer instruction, youth-focused digital life skills, certification in applications in demand by local employers, and internships in partnership with the local Workforce Development Board; bring in public and private partners to strengthen local web content as well as establish programs for low and no-cost equipment, broadband service and technical support. Each county will have stronger public-private partnerships, heightened community interest and access in technology, broadband and the internet, current and complete information on needs, options and costs for broadband service and training, and a prioritized course of action to make dramatic strides to close the rural “digital divide.” Residents in all parts of our rural region will have comprehensive access to affordable broadband technology and support services, so that they can be prepared to make full use of emerging technology in all aspects of their lives to connect, communicate and compete.</p> <hr/> <p>Work Plan: Select 5 centers for expanded computer labs Purchase computers and peripherals for 5 computer labs Purchase tracking software Purchase certification courses Hire center coordinators Develop training plans for CBO staff Recruit and train 200 CBO staff for job creation/retention</p>	<p>Budget: \$1,125,680 \$1,100,000 \$1,000,000 ARRA Request \$ 100,000 CETF \$125,680 ATCR match Matching funds: Behavioral Health Innovation funds, Sonora Area Foundation, CCPF, Cowell Foundation, Zero Divide, public-private partnerships</p> <p>Personnel: \$275,500 Fringe: \$ 126,355 including health & W/C, Accrued Leave, SUI, Retirement Consultants/contractors: \$232,900 (\$50k in-kind Interns/County consultants) Travel: \$36,000 regional Equipment/hardware \$55,045</p> <p>Supplies: Meeting costs \$6,000 Program supplies \$6,000 Small Office Equipment \$7,500</p> <p>Other: Communications \$6,600 Maintenance \$50,000 New space /Utilities \$14,400 Media/postage \$24,000 Copying \$4,000 Phone \$10,200 Facilities \$43,500 Insurance \$6,000 Administration \$101,680 (\$25,680 admin in-kind) Other In-kind- NIC operations \$50,000</p>	<p>10-1-09 to 3-31- 2011</p> <p>Please note the start date is flexible</p>

	<p>Recruit and train 50 interns through MLJT and other agencies Increase positions retained in CBO's by 40% Increase technology adopters at CBOs by 25% Develop and implement broadband training public awareness campaign Recruit and train 500 adults in certified course Recruit and train 500 adults in increased computer proficiency Develop youth "digital life skills" curriculum Train 250 youth in digital life skills Conduct surveys and self assessment Create agreements with ISPs and provide low cost BB to targeted residents Track adoption in targeted population with ISP assistance Develop and implement broadband availability public awareness campaign Distribute 500 computers to low income households over the 5 county region Increase the number of targeted regional residents adopting technology by 25% Increase connectivity of targeted regional low income users by 10% Recruit local tech group to provide low cost tech support Provide ongoing tech support for distributed computers</p> <p><u>Jobs Created:</u> 100 low wage earners placed 100 internships 10 FTE CBO positions 40% increase in CBO positions retained</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u> (Include items related to NTIA's goals and how many people you think will adopt broadband.) 1000 Low-income persons trained for living wage jobs in the digital workforce. 100 Low-income persons placed into, full-time, living wage jobs in the digital workforce Create 10 FTE jobs and train 100 CBO staffers in community-based organizations enabling digital literacy; 40 % increase in retained jobs in community-based organizations enabling digital literacy 25% increase in technology adopters at CBO's 100 interns trained for jobs in low-income communities 500 Low-income youth gain digital literacy. 500 Low-income adults gain digital literacy. 500 computers distributed 25 % increase in low-income households utilizing broadband services and adopting technology 10% increase in low income HH with high-speed connectivity</p>		
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