

Presentation for Potential Expansion Satellite Partners

- I. Introductions
- II. BRIEF History, Mission & Vision of the DuBois Learning Center
- III. DuBois LC Telehub – Purpose and History
 - a. The Model – satellites served by hub at DuBois LC
 - b. Phase 1 – Establish Satellite Sites in Swope Corridor
 - c. Phase 2 – Linwood Cluster and Beacon of Hope
 - d. Current Status – Number of Sites and Users
 - e. Applications and Programs Supported
 - i. On-line Educational Resources (STAR, Dr Cameron)
 - ii. Internet Access, Microsoft Office, Email
 - iii. After School Programs
 - iv. Wiring Programs and Computer Training
 - v. Summer Academic Camp
 - vi. Tutorial and Community Program Development

- IV. Phase 3 – Expansion to additional sites, improve infrastructure
 - a. Two-year goal to grow and involve 30 sites on the network
 - b. Looking for partnerships with community institutions/sites
 - i. Commitment to develop youth educational programs
 - ii. Commitment to provide structured access to technology
 - c. Pursuing delivery system to reach more of the community
 - i. Considering building additional beacons – Community resource development/ownership potential and self sufficiency, but more expensive and longer time to develop (2 yr minimum)
 - ii. Leasing tower access to install our own infrastructure - Offers fastest & cost efficient strategy (3-6 months)
 - iii. Leasing access AND building smaller repeater/relay beacons

V. WIIFM – Benefits to Satellite Partners

- a. Development of computer labs to serve congregation and community
 - i. Examples: Palestine Senior classes, Metropolitan Computer Ministry, St Louis Social Services, Swope Corridor After school programs
- b. Cost avoidance – no need for individual high-speed internet and email access – estimate savings over \$1,000 annually, plus software applications and licenses (priceless)
- c. Wyse terminals – inexpensive and low maintenance, no need to invest in and maintain personal computers
- d. Development of technology capabilities at sites (youth/adults)
- e. Intangibles

VI. WHAT'S the Hold Up

- a. Past expansions have been developed through grants and private contributions – at current time, no funding has been secured
- b. Need to develop own competencies for site construction/development (partnership vs contracting out)
- c. Decisions on best strategies to deliver service – build or lease

- d. Limitless imagination, but reality is what we can afford
- e. Cost for infrastructure (\$60 to \$90K)
- f. Estimated costs per site to develop (approx. \$30K)
- g. Funding possibilities
- h. Fundraising possibilities

VII. Questions and Answers