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## Computers 4 Kids:

Preparing Tennessee's Next Generation for Success

**Connected Tennessee's Computers 4 Kids program received \$2.3 million in federal funding in an effort to increase sustainable broadband adoption and provide computers and training to over 60,000 disadvantaged youth across the state.**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) matching grant is awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA) Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP). BTOP provides grants to support the deployment of broadband infrastructure, enhance and expand public computer centers, and encourage sustainable adoption of broadband service.

The Computers 4 Kids "Preparing Tennessee's Next Generation for Success" project intends to focus on economically vulnerable youth in Tennessee by deploying laptops, academic support programs, and workforce training to two different, but especially at-risk populations: those "aging out" of the state's foster care system (as they turn 18) and youth who are active in the state's 76 Boys & Girls Clubs. The project plans to provide younger children in the Boys & Girls Clubs with broadband access in a safe environment via its Club Tech program, supported by software provider Microsoft.

### Computers 4 Kids also proposes to:

- ★ Encourage broadband subscribership and train as many as 58,000 youth over the life of the project, offering approximately 9 million training hours.
- ★ Provide older youth in the foster care system with laptop computers and support with high school completion and workforce training through the state's network of Career Centers.
- ★ Organize community events to build awareness of the program and the benefits of broadband access for education and career preparation at all ages.

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