

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT FOR SUSTAINABLE BROADBAND ADOPTION

General Information		
1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration	2. Award Identification Number 50-43-B10511	3. DUNS Number 137761792
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5. Current Reporting Period End Date (MM/DD/YYYY) 09-30-2012	6. Is this the last Report of the Award Period? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
7. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.		
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7b. Signature of Certifying Official Submitted Electronically	7e. Date Report Submitted (MM/DD/YYYY): 10-10-2012	

Project Indicators (This Quarter)

1. Please describe significant project accomplishments completed during this quarter (600 words or less).
 e-Vermont is in its wrap-up phase - as this progress report shows VCRD and subrecipients have dialed back their staffing and several have completed their work. Subrecipients with active projects include:
 VT Small Business Development Center, which continues to offer one-on-one advising (6 businesses are currently receiving assistance).
 The Vermont State Colleges and Vermont Department of libraries, which have extended their Internet Interns program into this fall semester, placing students at 10 libraries throughout the state.
 Front Porch Forum participation continues to grow, with an average household subscription rate of 34% or 15,130.
 Some e-Vermont communities are finishing their independently selected projects, for example installing Wi-Fi zones and opening a school computer lab - these communities now work with the e-Vermont Project Director.
 Toolkits on best practices have been completed and are available at www.e4vt.org. Printed public reports on lessons learned, best practices, and community impact have been approved by the partners and now await printing prior to distribution. The focus of e-Vermont work is outreach throughout the state so that every town can learn from the e-Vermont communities' experience.

2. Please provide the percent complete for the following key milestones in your project. Write "0" in the Percent Complete column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. If you provided additional milestones in your baseline report, please insert them at the bottom of the table. Figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the percent complete is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

	Milestone	Percent Complete	Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or any other relevant information)
2.a.	Overall Project	95	n/a
2.b.	Equipment / Supply Purchases	-	Progress reported in Question 4 below
2.c.	Awareness Campaigns	-	Progress reported in Question 4 below
2.d.	Outreach Activities	-	Progress reported in Question 4 below
2.e.	Training Programs	-	Progress reported in Question 4 below
2.f.	Other (please specify):	-	Progress reported in Question 4 below

3. Please describe any challenges or issues faced during this past quarter in achieving planned progress against the project milestones listed above. In particular, please identify any areas or issues where technical assistance from the BTOP program may be useful (600 words or less).
 No challenges to report.

4a. In the chart below, please provide the requested information on your BTOP grant-funded SBA activities. Please also provide a short description of the activity (600 words or less). Figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please ensure that the numbers of new household subscribers and business or community anchor institution (CAI) subscribers reflected in the "Total" row represent the unduplicated number of new subscribers that can be attributed to your SBA project as a whole.

Name of the SBA Activity	Location of SBA Activity	Description of Activity (600 words or less)	Size of Target Audience	Actual Number of Participants	New Subscribers: Households	New Subscribers: Businesses and/or CAIs
Advanced Social Media Marketing Workshop	Cambridge, VT	Workshop delivered by VtsBDC	10	12	0	0
Total:			10	12	0	0

4b. Please describe your method for determining the number of households, businesses, and/or (CAIs) subscribing to broadband as a result of your SBA programs (600 words or less).

We have no additional subscriptions to report for this quarter (see 4c)

4c. Please provide a narrative explanation if the total number of new subscribers is different from the targets provided in your baseline plan (600 words or less).

Although e-Vermont, the Department of Public Service and the Internet service providers reached agreement on providing aggregate subscription information for towns on a quarterly basis, we were only able to establish this agreement for 4 quarters per town. We have now exceeded the 4 and have not yet been successful in negotiating for additional updates to the information.

4d. Please provide the number of households and the number of businesses and CAIs receiving discounted broadband service as result of BTOP funds.

Households: 0	Businesses and CAIs : 0
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Project Indicators (Next Quarter)

1. Please describe significant project accomplishments planned for completion during the next quarter (600 words or less).

Next quarter is the final quarter of the e-Vermont Community Broadband Project. We will have spent down our budget, with all projects complete. We will be reviewing our work of the last two years, providing both a formal assessment in our performance reports and a public assessment for Vermonters and others interested in the e-Vermont experience. Questions answered (in addition to required forms) will be what lessons were learned for communities interested in improving their use of online resources, which aspects of the programs are sustainable beyond the completion of this phase, what larger lessons were learned for statewide organizations serving rural communities, and recommendations for future projects focused sustainable broadband adoption in Vermont. We also are reaching out to organizations in other states to compare experiences and best practices.

2. Please provide the percent complete anticipated for the following key milestones in your project as of the end of the next quarter. Write "0" in the second column if your project does not include this activity. If you provided additional milestones in your baseline report, please insert them at the bottom of the table. Figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the next reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the planned percent complete is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

	Milestone	Percent Complete	Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or any other relevant information)
2.a.	Overall Project	100	n/a
2.b.	Equipment Purchases	-	Milestone Data Not Required
2.c.	Awareness Campaigns	-	Milestone Data Not Required
2.d.	Outreach Activities	-	Milestone Data Not Required
2.e.	Training Programs	-	Milestone Data Not Required
2.f.	Other (please specify):	-	Milestone Data Not Required

3. Please describe any challenges or issues anticipated during the next quarter that may impact planned progress against the project milestones listed above. In particular, please identify any areas or issues where technical assistance from the BTOP program may be useful (600 words or less).

No challenges anticipated.

