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Organization:	Tampa Housing Authority
Project Name:	AccessALL Tampa
Project Type:	Sustainable Broadband Adoption
State:	Florida
Federal Award:	\$2,131,322

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The goal of the **Tampa Housing Authority's** project is to create "technologically smart communities" within 23 public housing sites in order to increase the employability and life circumstances of residents. The AccessALL Tampa project plans to initiate subsidized broadband service to the public housing sites and offer on-site certified computer technician training and basic Internet, job search, GED, and ESL classes. The project also intends to implement a pilot program in which touch-screen computers are installed in almost 200 households in "self sufficiency communities," which are communities partnering with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to enhance residents' employability. An additional 2,000 households participating in training will be offered discounted computers.

AccessALL Tampa also proposes to:

- Encourage broadband subscribership and train as many as 1,400 residents over the life of the project, offering approximately 26,000 training hours.
- Ensure and measure success by deploying a very active Resident Outreach Team; collaborating with project partners to ensure high visibility, accessibility, and available childcare during training; and developing personalized sustainability plans for households adopting broadband.

ORGANIZATION'S HISTORY

Founded in 1937, the Tampa Housing Authority, a government entity, promotes the development and professional management of a variety of affordable housing opportunities, facilities, and supportive services. The Authority seeks to nurture neighborhoods, provide economic development and self-sufficiency activities for Tampa residents, and assure equal access to safe, quality housing for low and moderate income families throughout the community.

PROJECT PARTNERS

- Bright House Networks (Tampa Bay Division)
- Hillsborough Technical Education Centers
- Tampa Bay Workforce Alliance
- Center for Affordable Homeownership
- Computer Mentors Group
- ReyO Enterprises, LLC
- Interface Network Systems
- Corporation to Develop Communities in Tampa
- Hillsborough County Health Department
- Tampa Metropolitan YMCA
- We Care Services, Inc.
- Hillsborough County Head Start
- Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority
- Hillsborough County Health & Social Services
- Boys & Girls Club of Tampa Bay
- Precious Bundles Childcare

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