

Salt Lake City's Digital Equity Policy outline guiding principles for partnership development. Two examples of partnerships are Connect Home USA's relationship with our housing Authority and Google Fibers commitments to Salt Lake City's homeless resource centers and their housing partnerships which are providing over 200 free connections to low income housing.

The following is the outline Salt Lake City uses when developing partnerships and or guiding community impact investment partnerships in our community.

### **Guiding Principles for Digital Equity Policymaking and Partnership Development**

Groups who center their work on the following guiding principles of Salt Lake City's first formal digital equity policy will be essential partners in implementation by carrying out policy objectives in communities. Tasks related to each focus area are also listed below, and their completion will necessarily be a collaborative effort between Salt Lake City government and community partners.

- Leadership: Maintaining a current inventory of local actors who are involved with the issue of digital equity. Networking and building relationships with these stakeholders.
- Research and assessment: Gathering and analyzing data on information and communication technology access in Salt Lake City and the region
- Device access: Assessment of the types of information and communication technology devices used in Salt Lake City, and access to key hardware and software across city demographics
- Internet access: Data for the presence and strength of internet connectivity in Salt Lake City with comparison to the surrounding region and national averages
- Digital literacy training: Capacity, reach, accessibility, and quality of education about digital tools available to residents
- Safety: Information and education opportunities made widely available to residents – especially members of vulnerable communities - about staying safe on the internet, including: using public computers, sharing personal information online, protecting against identity theft, and recognizing scams or other criminal activities