

2. Your local government has a digital inclusion plan or is in the process of developing a plan.

Best Practices and Resources:

Collective Impact Forum 3 Steps for Advancing Equity through Collective Impact Checklist (Must meet 2 of 2):

- ☐ Plan includes strategies to support affordable home broadband access, public computer centers, affordable devices, and digital literacy.
- ☐ Process for developing the plan included active participation of community stakeholders including communities who are in most need of digital literacy and home broadband Internet subscription.

Required Supporting Documentation (Must meet 1 of 2):

1. The plan.
2. Documentation for planning process.

### **Digital Equity Action Plan** (DEAP)

#### **The Process**

Note: Phase 2, or DEAP 2.0 planning has resumed after a pause in 2020 to focus on the urgent and critical needs at the height [and beyond] of the global pandemic in frontline communities which resulted in utilizing **\$5.0 million in CARES Act funding to distribute devices** including assistive technologies and LTE equipped computers, digital skills training, technical support and connectivity solutions to over 4,500 community members in collaboration with community-based organizations who focus on serving prioritized populations in Portland.

DEAP 2.0 is a digital inclusion roadmap for the City of Portland that will outline strategies, activities, and timelines for addressing digital inequities in the community. The Digital Equity Action Plan will include objectives, timelines, partners, and outcomes utilizing Results Based Accountability methodology and is slated to be presented to Council for approval in late 2022.

As in the previous DEAP, Office for Community Technology continues to engage community stakeholders in the development of the plan.

The DEAP 2.0 planning process coincides with the Digital Inclusion Network reimagining whereby this long-standing community and public agency coalition is undergoing a reimagining to examine its governance model. The future framework contains a re-

envisioned purpose and priorities based on a shared understanding of key digital equity needs, intentionally centering community leaders to lead the conversation, coalition and/or collective approaches and structures.