Expanding connections to workforce training and learning in Idaho libraries

State wide Partners
- Department of Labor
- Idaho Public Television
- Professional-Technical Education (PTE)/Adult Basic Education (ABE)
- State Board of Education
- State Department of Education
- Department of Administration
- Idaho Regional Optical Network (IRON)
- Idaho Office for Refugees
- Community Colleges

Leveraged Training
- 229 librarians: how to sustain library Internet access with federal E-Rate support
- 232 community partners: statewide workshops on new online resources with libraries/ABE/Labor
- 166 librarians and trustees: digital skills workshops
- 2,193 refugees: digital literacy to connect to jobs, education, citizenship online
- 11,264 GED preppers: online study and practice tests
- 3,437 college-bound students: online SAT and ACT practice tests
- 1,851 workers: online practice tests for licensing and certification
- 16,751 hours: digital literacy training provided through libraries

At 55 of Idaho’s least connected libraries
11 Mbps Internet connectivity average, up from 1.5 Mbps
24 hr Wi-Fi

100% match: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and local in-kind resource contributions
80% from American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds (BTOP)

$2.8M
+$2.1M Public Information In-Kind

Statewide Online Resources
- LearningExpress Library online learning center
- Scout, Classroom Edition Scout, Video Collection
- Maximize Your Job Search workbook and online workshop
- Media online@yourlibrary guide to accessing Idaho news
- - Resources for mid-life adults
- - Portal for Idaho citizens

Access to computers/ broadband at the library is our connection to:
- "The job I want"
- "Business related information"
- "Study for my CDL [commercial drivers license]"
- "GED prep"
- "Interview online for a new job"
- "Scholarships"
- "Information on health/wellness"
- "Homework help"
- "Getting my college degree"
- "Practice test that is a lifesaver"

2 of 3 users of library computers get help.

An Idaho Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP)

20 Mbps Internet connectivity average, up from 1.5 Mbps

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See more about “online @ your library” at http://libraries.idaho.gov/online