

## **LinkIDAHO RPT Orientation – Investment Priorities Summary (no detail)**

### **Region 2 Broadband Investment Priority Brainstorm**

#### Economic Development—

- Improve broadband to support small manufacturer production, entrepreneurial businesses, and develop application awareness.
- Grassroots-led adoption effort to develop awareness about the possibilities and resources associated with the Internet.
- Leverage technology to support tourism (promotion, bookings, and visitor connectivity)
- Interest in work at home initiatives.

#### Education

- Increase access to distance learning resources through high school and college.
- Implement workplace specific training efforts, such as certification and accreditation in local communities for trades to teachers. Increase training of manufacturers in LEAN practices via webinar/remote training.
- Improve access to broadband technology by opening schools for community after school

#### Healthcare

- Educate doctors about using technology (EMRs), etc. EMTs could receive training via videoconferencing.
- Consider developing a community videoconferencing room that has extended-hour access.
- Implement home-based health care, health monitoring (especially in Lewiston and Clearwater county--region has an aging population.)
- Network health related services, to support senior's adoption of technology, including for healthcare. Could include networking and marketing. Include a work-at-home component to enable people to work at home and take care of the elderly.

#### Public Safety and Other

- Increase remote access of public safety records to increase officer safety and improve response to incidents. Implement other emergency management tools.
- Increase adoption of real-time video for law enforcement, fire and emergency response.