

Community Accelerator Program
Thursday, May 23rd Worksheet

1. What local resources or opportunities to raise funds locally do we currently have?

Consider all potential local resources that could be utilized to support broadband infrastructure development. Do we already have money dedicated towards broadband efforts? Would tax levies and/or bonds be necessary and possible?

2. How can existing funds for schools, emergency services and other community services be utilized to support broadband expansion?

Think about the existing budgets and funds for essential community resources like schools or emergency services, could and should we advocate for the use of a portion of these existing funds to support broadband expansion efforts? How would we do this?

3. What are some creative local funding methods we might not have considered?

Beyond traditional methods like taxes and bonds, what innovative or less conventional funding sources could be explored to support broadband development in our community?

4. How can we engage the community to support funding for broadband?

Discuss ways to rally community backing. Are there any local businesses, community groups or foundations that might be willing to partner with us or otherwise help fund broadband development efforts?

5. What role does our local government currently have in funding broadband projects and how can we effectively guide it?

Consider the current involvement of your local government in broadband initiatives. Discuss strategies for advocating for increased support and guiding the decision-making process. What actions can

community members and stakeholders take to ensure local government prioritizes and effectively allocates resources for broadband development?