

Community Accelerator Program
Thursday, June 6th Worksheet

1. Examine the primary models of broadband internet ownership and discuss how they impact community access and control.

Explore how each model affects issues like pricing, service quality, and community control. Consider which model might be most beneficial for your community.

	Strengths	Weaknesses
Pure private ownership with public financial support		
Electric or telephone cooperative ownership		
Public ownership with public operation		
Public ownership with private operation		

2. What are the key elements to consider when structuring public-private partnerships to ensure they meet community needs as well as offer fair benefits to all parties and stakeholders?

Examine the balance required in PPPs to effectively address community broadband needs while ensuring fair returns for private partners. Discuss factors such as risk sharing and ensuring public interests are safeguarded.

3. What considerations should be taken into account when exploring the formation of cooperatives for broadband deployment?

Discuss the logistical and strategic considerations of forming cooperatives with other localities or stakeholders. Evaluate how these models can leverage collective resources and discuss the challenges of managing multi-stakeholder operations.

4. How do ownership and partnership models affect long-term sustainability and scalability of broadband projects?

Consider the long-term implications of different ownership and partnership models. Discuss how these models can influence our community's ability to scale broadband deployment, adapt to new technologies, and maintain financial health.