

## **Community Accelerator Program Orientation Week Worksheet**

### **1. Community Needs Assessment**

- a. *What are the most pressing internet needs in your community? Consider aspects such as access, affordability, and digital literacy. How do these needs vary across different areas or populations within your community?*

### **2. Stakeholder Identification**

- a. *Who are the key stakeholders in your community when it comes to broadband deployment and digital inclusion? List stakeholders across sectors such as government, business, education, and non-profits.*

### **3. Community Anchor Institutions**

- a. *Identify the community anchor institutions (CAIs; where do people physically gather on a regular basis?) in your region. How are they currently utilizing the internet? How could enhanced broadband connectivity improve their services and outreach?*

#### **4. Local Workforce Development**

- a. How could improved broadband access impact workforce development in your community? Consider remote work opportunities, job training programs, and the role of broadband in supporting local businesses.*

#### **5. Economic & Educational Opportunities**

- a. Explore the potential economic and educational benefits of expanded broadband access in your community. What types of new businesses or educational opportunities could broadband enable? How can we prepare students for lifelong internet and technology learning?*

#### **6. Long-term Community Engagement Strategies**

- a. What strategies could be effective for engaging your community in broadband initiatives over the long term? Think about communication methods, events, or programs that could raise awareness and participation.*

#### **7. Barriers to Broadband Expansion**

- a. What are the major barriers to improving broadband access in your community? Consider technical, financial, and regulatory obstacles. How might these barriers be overcome?*