An Average of 3,000 gigabytes of Data Accessed Every Month

100 Hotspots Provided to 20 Participating Rural Libraries

105 Patrons Surveyed 7 Library Staff Interviewed

Patrons experienced improvements in their quality of life and internet skills.

- 84% Improved their ability to access the internet
- 79% Improved their ability to access key online resources
- 69% Improved their quality of life
- 41% Improved their computer skills

“This program has been incredibly well received by our community... We currently have a waiting list and patrons have been asking when we are going to get more... We have had patrons' use them for work, homeschool, and college classes... We wouldn’t have been able to introduce hotspots to our community without this grant as we have been struggling with budget cuts. We have been so grateful to be a part of this program and this program has now given us the confidence to pursue the new federal funding for more hotspots.” - Library Staff

How patrons use the hot spots:

- 86% Entertainment
- 77% Connecting with family & friends
- 77% Education
- 52% Employment
- 49% Online Shopping
- 46% Financial Services
- 45% Accessing Public Benefits
- 38% Healthcare Services