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#### **Goals & Strategies**

# Goal 1: Build/upgrade affordable and adequate broadband connectivity throughout the community and improve adoption

Strategy 1a) support ongoing efforts by RTC Communications and Daviess County Economic Development Corporation to expand broadband access as part of the county wide Infrastructure Development Zone. (All CDAT members)

Strategy 1b) support future efforts by other providers to expand broadband access, as opportunities arise.

#### Goal 2: Ensure residents, in particular students, have access to quality and reliable devices.

Strategy 2a) Collect GEER Grant and other relevant data from county schools to assess student access to technology (Community Foundation)

Strategy 2b) Identify best approaches to ensure all students have access to necessary devices for learning (CDAT)

### Goal 3: Improve digital literacy and skills among all residents.

Strategy 3a) Collect information from Daviess County schools regarding digital literacy skills of students and families (Community Foundation)

Strategy 3b) Collect feedback from existing literacy workshops to identify gaps, niches, and opportunities for additional digital literacy education (RSVP program)

# Goal 4: Integrate digital inclusion strategies into community, economic, and workforce development.

Strategy 4a) Through the expansion of the digital advisory team into a broader coalition of digital inclusion stakeholders in the community, implement a strategy to assess the community's online presence, particularly, to determine the level of local business' online presence beyond social media and, as appropriate. (CDAT)

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Strategy 4b) Develop and implement a digital engagement plan to a) improve online presence; b) leverage digital platforms to increase civic engagement, trust and responsiveness. (CDAT)

Goal 5: Strive to establish and sustain a digital equity ecosystem (Note: digital equity ecosystems are defined as the interactions between individuals, populations, and their larger socioeconomic and technical environments that play a role in shaping digital inclusion work).

Strategy 5a) expand the digital advisory team into a broader coalition of digital inclusion stakeholders in the community. This coalition will monitor implementation of the plan and review progress, coordinate networking around digital inclusion, and serve as a liaison to additional community coalitions. (CDAT)

Strategy 5b) ensure that digital inclusion is a community and economic development priority in addition to a social justice issue. (CDAT)

