

WILL YOU HELP US?

Corporate/Personal Contributions

Provide Centers with State-of-the Art
Equipment

Donate Hardware and Software

Sponsor Field Trips

Approve Release Time for Your Employees
to:

Help Develop a Center

Provide Technical Support and Training

Serve as Instructors/Tutors

Offer Internships and Employment
Opportunities

Serve on the Advisory Council



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The CLCP is a community initiative whose mission is to provide technology and literacy access to bridge the digital divide. The CLCPs serve as a model program consisting of eight components that promote project based, experiential learning. This innovative partnership goes a step further than merely providing access to computers and the Internet. The CLCP program is a comprehensive approach that offers both access to high-tech hardware and software, as well as addressing the socio-economic, educational and cultural disparities that characterize the entire spectrum of the digital divide in our global economy.

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**Computer Learning Centers Partnership
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**Providing Technology and Literacy
Access to Bridge the Digital Divide
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Office of Partnerships**

THE CHALLENGE

In our fast-paced, ever-changing technological age, learning and keeping up with advances in the computer field is vital. The ability to work competitively and succeed depends upon the ability to learn and achieve.

Hundreds of children who live in or near subsidized housing developments in Fairfax County do not have access to home computers.



Our challenge, as a community is to ensure that residents are afforded the same opportunities by providing:

- Computer Centers near each housing development
- Instructors and classes
- Access to the Internet
- Enrichment Activities

THE SOLUTION

The Fairfax County Office of Partnerships (OOP) provides access to computers by developing computer learning centers to serve children and their families in Fairfax County.

Professional staff, with corporate and community volunteers, give each child specific personalized instruction in software applications.

This partnership succeeds because of the collaboration, dedication and contributions of its partners and Advisory Council.

- Corporate partners provide capital funding for state-of-the art computers, equipment and software.
- Community based organizations and stakeholders provide vital links to the partnership.
- Schools and universities engage in program development and evaluation.
- Businesses provide funding and in-kind support.

Computers

... have become an integral part of our daily lives... many households have at least one personal computer that family members use for work, education, and entertainment. Ready access to computers along with computer literacy enhances our children's education, making the learning process more engaging and effective.

THE OUTCOME



The Fairfax County CLCP centers offer children and families free access to state-of-the art equipment.

This broad based community effort is changing lives and futures. The benefits include:

- Youth trained in technology
- School attendance improves
- Academic achievement soars
- Self esteem increases
- Students earn computers for home use
- Opportunities for internships and employment for youth
- Smooth school to work transitions
- Enhanced career choices