



BROADBANDUSA

CONNECTING AMERICA'S COMMUNITIES



- > This month we held an Open House to showcase our BTOP equipment. It included a Technology Petting Zoo, provided by Lauren McMullen of the State Library. Laptops continue to circulate well, and continue making our wait times non-existent!
- > Provided materials from the Outreach Toolkit to those patrons who needed additional internet assistance.

Livingston-Park County Public Library

BTOP Public Computing Center Goals and Objectives

Montana’s project promotes three BTOP statutory purposes:

- 1) provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in under-served areas of the country;
- 2) provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to libraries; and,
- 3) stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

Objectives

- 1) increase broadband speeds at participating libraries up to 21 mbps;
- 2) cut wait times in half by increasing the total number of workstations and expanding library operation hours;
- 3) improve access by purchasing ADA compliant software, hardware, and furniture, and through minor renovation projects aimed at increasing accessibility of computing center facilities;
- 4) offer courses to increase computer literacy; and
- 5) provide Internet and library resources to rural Montana using a mobile computer lab.

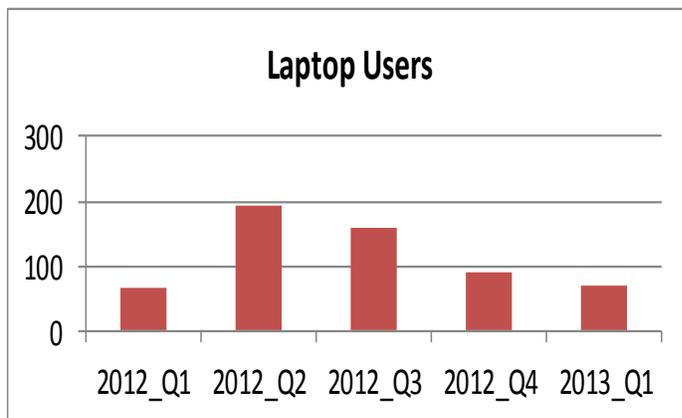
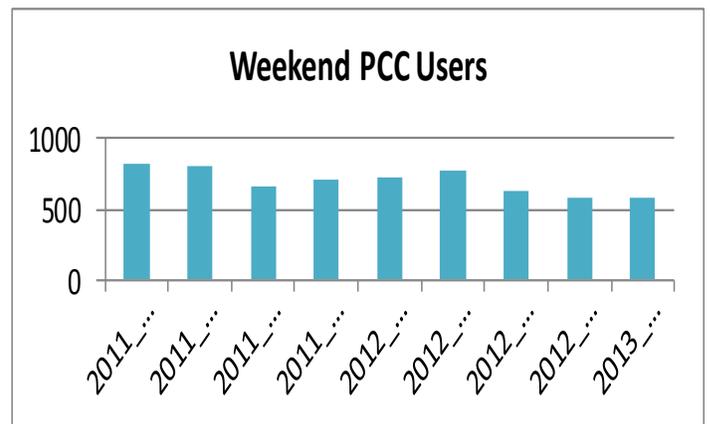
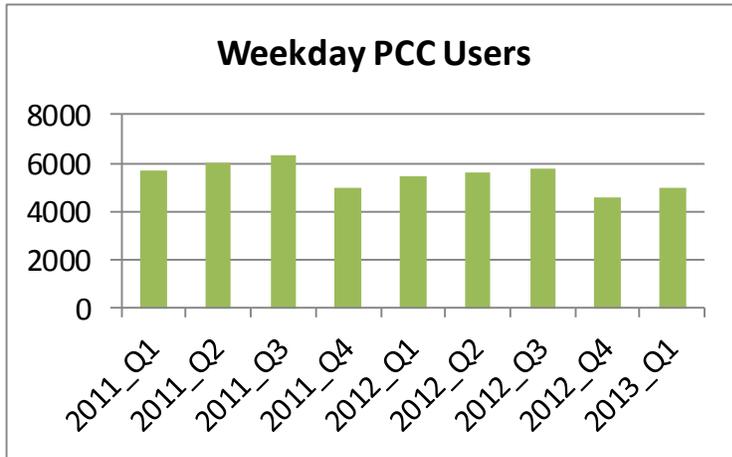
Successes

Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
CenturyLink	3.00	7.00

Livingston-Park County Public Library Computing Center Now Offers...

- ◆ 4 desktop computers
- ◆ 8 laptop computers
- ◆ 2 ZoomText 10 low vision software
- ◆ 1 ZoomText Camera with stand
- ◆ 2 low dexterity mice
- ◆ 2 low vision keyboards
- ◆ 2 Bierley magnification mice
- ◆ 4 privacy screens
- ◆ 1 LaserJet printer
- ◆ iPad
- ◆ Kindle Keyboard
- ◆ Kindle Fire
- ◆ Nook Tablet
- ◆ Samsung Galaxy Tab
- ◆ Google Nexus
- ◆ Coby Snapp digital video camera

Public Computer Center Usage



Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
52.50	179	12