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Organization:	Lyon County School District
Project Name:	Computing Centers for Rural Nevada
Project Type:	Public Computer Center
State:	Nevada
Federal Award:	\$745,005

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Unemployment in Lyon County, Nevada is well above the national average and many residents rely on public computer centers for access to job information and education, greatly increasing the demand for these critical public facilities. The **Lyon County School District** plans to help improve economic opportunities for residents of Lyon and neighboring Mineral County through its Computer Centers for Rural Nevada project. In addition to creating public computer centers, the project proposes to provide instructors and volunteer trainers for basic computer literacy, GED preparation, and ESL training, while local schools plan to offer college credit and advanced placement classes to high school students and community members. Several local small businesses have also committed to use the centers to train local residents in specialized skills pertinent to their industries. The Walker River Paiute Tribe and Yerington Paiute Tribe plan to utilize the public computer centers to view or participate in national tribal events.

Computing Centers for Rural Nevada also proposes to:

- Establish six new public computer centers to serve an over 2,000 square mile area in rural northwest Nevada, deploying up to 120 new computer workstations to the Silver Springs GED Center, Dayton Community Center, Jeanne Dini Cultural Center, Smith Valley Library, Fernley City Hall, and the Walker River Paiute Tribal Center.
- Enable access for as many as 1,700 users each week.
- Train as many as 7,500 residents with approximately 10,000 hours of teacher-led training over the three years of the project.

ORGANIZATION'S HISTORY

The Lyon County Board of School Trustees, Administrators, Teachers, and School Staff aim to assure that every student can learn and achieve the skills necessary to be proficient in academic, vocational, and social disciplines. The District has been a recipient of multiple state and federal grants.

PROJECT PARTNERS

- Lyon County Human Services Department
- City of Yerington
- City of Fernley
- Boys and Girls Club of Mason Valley
- Yerington Theatre for the Arts
- Western Nevada Development District
- Lyon County Sheriff's Office
- Lyon Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs
- South Lyon Medical Center
- Nevada Copper
- Walker River Paiute Tribe
- Western Nevada College
- Yerington Paiute Tribe

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