

A STEM Alliance Initiative to end the Digital Divide

WESTCHESTER COUNTY'S DIGITAL DIVIDE:

30,000

households in Westchester County alone have no computer

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households have no internet subscription

APPROXIMATES BASED ON DATA FROM: 13 CONNECTIVITY EXPLORER - A BROADBAND VISUALIZATION TOOL FROM INTERNETASINFRASTRUCTURE.ORG

THE EFFECT OF THE DIGITAL DIVIDE:

43%

of low income parents report that their children have to do their schoolwork on a cellphone

40%

of low income children have to use public wifi to finish their schoolwork because they don't have a reliable connection at home

36%

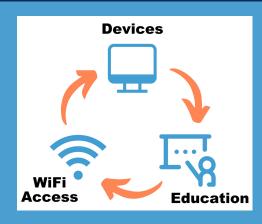
of low income children are not able to complete their schoolwork because they have no computer

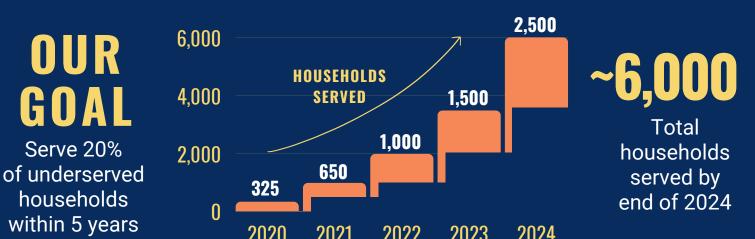
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A SIMPLE SOLUTION:

Provide low and moderate income Westchester County residents & children with:

- 15 hours of tech education
- A free device
- A free WiFi access starter package





2020 2021 2022 2023 2024

INVEST IN OUR WORK TO END THE DIGITAL DIVIDE



\$245

12 months of WiFi connectivity for a family or a new Chromebook for a client



\$500

A new Chromebook and 12 months of WiFi for a client



\$750 A full Digital Equity Now package - device, education & WiFi - for one client



\$1,250 Training costs for one cohort of educators



\$15,000 All costs for one cohort of students

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