



BROADBANDUSA

CONNECTING AMERICA'S COMMUNITIES



- > Posted article in Valley Journal to promote library technology up-grades. Similar article posted in Lake County Leader. Distributed flyers to nearby businesses to promote technology class offerings.
- > Took part in Big Arm Community event; handed out flyers and notified people of technology upgrades at Library during event. Talked to Patti at Job Service in Polson about available computer classes, posted flyers/schedule at Job service.
- > Attended Polson Chamber of Commerce Monthly luncheon to promote technology class offerings and national library card sign-up month.

North Lake 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.

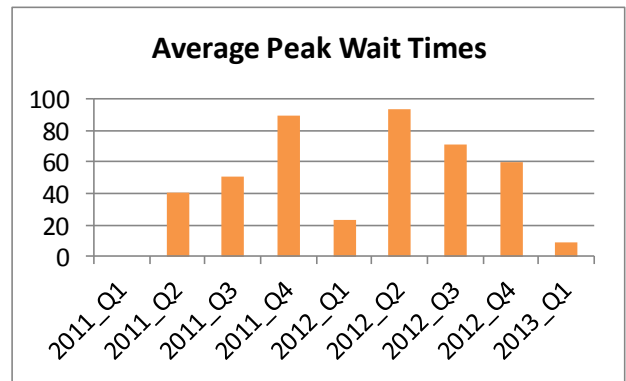
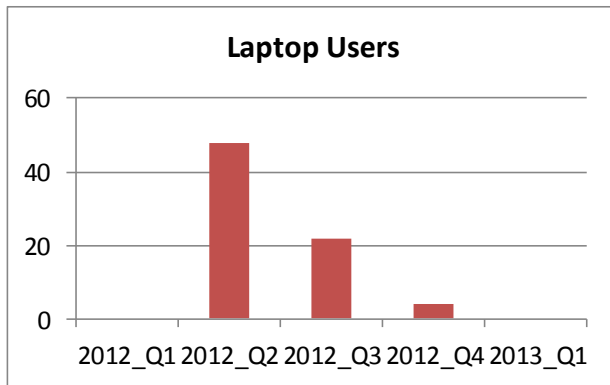
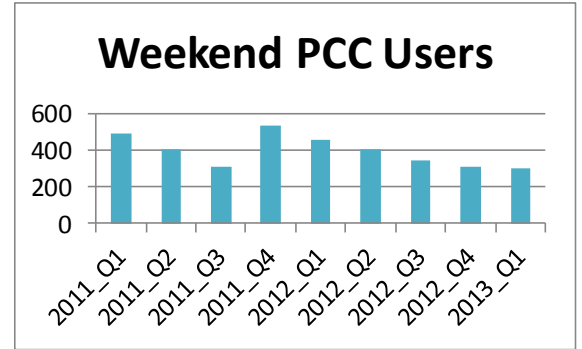
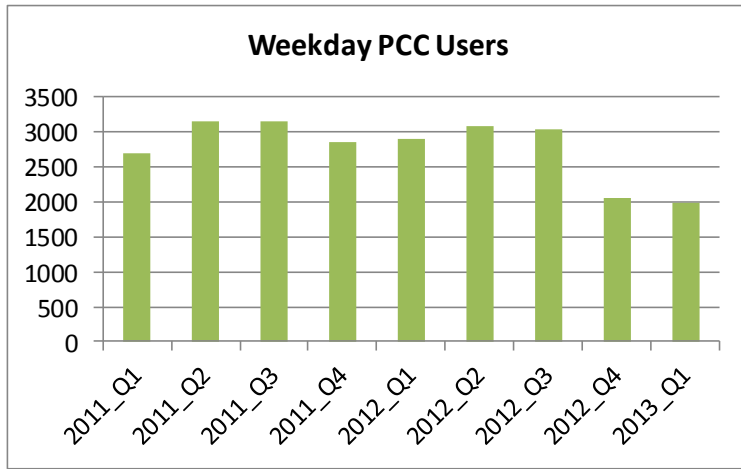
Successes

Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
CenturyLink	1.00	30.00

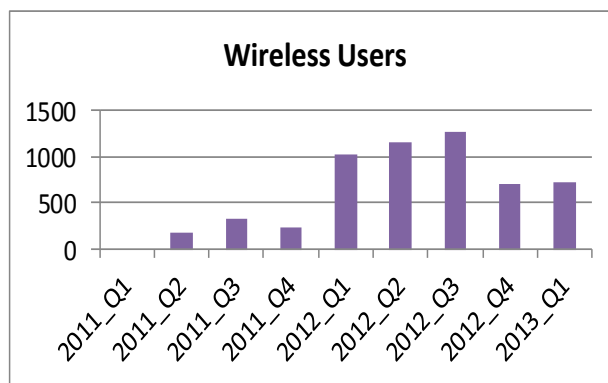
North Lake County Public Library Computing Center Now Offers...

- ◆ 7 desktop computers
- ◆ 11 laptop computers
- ◆ 1 laptop cart
- ◆ 3 children's computers
- ◆ 1 ZoomText 10 low vision software
- ◆ 1 ZoomText Camera with stand
- ◆ 1 low dexterity mouse
- ◆ 1 low vision keyboard
- ◆ 1 Bierley magnification mouse
- ◆ 6 headphones sets
- ◆ 6 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



Patrons who have taken advantage of public wireless access



Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
261.08	981	48