 ABOUT THE PROJECT

Nevada has seen a 45 percent increase in public library computer usage in the past two years for job searches and other training opportunities. To meet this growing demand, the Nevada Department of Cultural Affairs proposes to expand the training and educational capacity at libraries and other hubs for free computer access in each of 15 counties throughout the state. The Nevada One Click Away project plans to upgrade 34 public computer centers and create one new center. The project also proposes to enhance existing computer training programs, including computer skills training provided by librarians and volunteers, and adding accessible technology and computer classes in Spanish in the larger participating library branches. Additionally, some libraries plan to partner with the local Chambers of Commerce to host small business workshops focused on best practices, customer creation and retention, and marketing practices.

The One Click Away project also proposes to:

- Install as many as 263 new workstations and upgrade 260 existing ones, increasing the available number of workstations by 85 percent.
- Serve as many as 12,200 users weekly, including 2,600 new users.
- Train as many as 3,650 people over the life of the project.

 ORGANIZATION’S HISTORY

The Nevada State Library and Archives, a division of the Department of Cultural Affairs, has provided public access computers as a regular part of library services for over a decade. The State Library and Archives has extensive experience with federal funding regulations and requirements, managing $1.7 million in Library Services and Technology Act funds for Nevada and administering e-Rate funds within the state.

PROJECT PARTNERS

- Cooperative Libraries Automated Network
- Henderson District Public Libraries
- Carson City Library