Executive Summary of Overall Proposal

a) A statement of the problem or need your project addresses with regard to improving broadband service adoption rates.

A large majority of youth and young adults in inner city and outer suburban metro Atlanta areas lack access to computer and the internet that would also provide a venue for arts which will increase their awareness of the richness and history of the arts and the importance of pursuing a higher education.

b) Your overall approach to addressing the need and [for Sustainable Adoption projects] how your approach is innovative.

The Atlanta Fisk Club, Inc. seeks to offer computer service access to youth and young adults in underserved areas who have little to no access to the internet either in their homes, at school or at public libraries. We will provide programs, speakers and mentors for students and participants and also introduce information on the arts in the areas of history, music, literacy, dance and the visual arts. Students will participate in a structured program which will educate motivate and encourage them to achieve more and also learn how to access information via the internet that will assist them with reaching their goals and objectives. These goals will be outlined and identified in the curriculum and during the sessions.

c) Area(s) to be served; population of the target area(s), including demographic information; and [for Public Computer Centers] the estimated number of potential users of your public computer center(s) or
The estimated number of potential broadband subscribers your project will reach.

The area to be served is metro Atlanta which will include the inner city areas surrounding and bordering the downtown, southern and eastern areas including but not limited to Vine City, College Park, Mechanicsville, East Point, Cascade, and Bankhead communities, specifically focusing on offering services to students in public housing and/or low income areas.

d) Qualifications of the applicant that demonstrate the ability to implement the project and achieve its intended results.

Over the last five years, the Atlanta Fisk Club has provided cultural activities and programs for youth throughout the metro Atlanta area and has committed itself to scholarship, recruitment and service to the community. Our executive Board consists of Attorneys, CPA’s, Educators, Doctors and a host of other professionals who have volunteered and are committed to serving the youth in the Atlanta community. We will further explain in detail the plan and program that we are proposing to implement which will assist our youth in achieving their dreams and accomplishing their present and future goals.

e) Jobs to be saved or created.

The Atlanta Fisk Club Inc., Technology and Arts Network Computer Center(s) will create positions for no less than 20 individuals including consultants and will also involve volunteers who will donate in-kind service to the project as well. We are proposing to open a total of four centers in the underserved areas mentioned above.

f) Overall cost of the proposed project.

The overall proposed cost of the project is estimated to be $500,000. A detailed budget is attached.