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**Applicant Name:** ROADRUNNERIT

**Project Title:** South Valley Computer Center

**Project Type:** Public Computer Center

_______________________ Executive Summary_______________________

The South Valley of Albuquerque is ranked number two on the poverty list for New Mexico. There is a lack of access to the internet by the majority of the community. This can be rectified with the creation of the South Valley Computer Center. The center will be sustainable by membership fees and hourly rates and a community website. There are 60,000 in the Valley & an additional 240,000 in the surrounding areas. In addition to these communities living below the poverty level, the area is disadvantaged and under-served by all members of the community. We estimate that we will have a potential number of 30,000 users. Velia Silva will be the Executive Officer in charge of the project. Mrs Silva has over thirty five years experience directing and implementing projects of this scope and larger, such as hands across America, where she was State and Regional Director. Mrs Silva recently was Director of Cultural Services for the City Of Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she was responsible for a $110,000,000 dollar budget, 700+ employee's, various capital improvement projects, budget development and planning, all cultural facilities, planning and events.