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Library Computer Centers and Broadband Project Webinar

Nebraska Library Commission
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Agenda


- About the Award
- Nebraska Library Computer Centers Kickoff
- What we know now
- NLC—Next steps
- Libraries—Next steps
- Website tour
- Questions



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About the Award

- We got it!
 - Department of Commerce, NTIA: \$2,416,403
 - Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation: \$1,251,786
 - Total: \$3,668,189
 - Broadband
 - Equipment
 - Programming/Training
 - Communications assistance
 - nlc.nebraska.gov/statistics/librarymapbtop.html



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Nebraska Library Computer Centers Kickoff

- November 9, 2:00 p.m. through dinner and working dessert
- November 10, breakfast through lunch
- Embassy Suites, Lincoln
- Funded by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation



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Nebraska Library Computer Centers Kickoff


- All 140 library directors invited
- Program partners
- State, community and organization leaders
- Nebraska Library Commission



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Nebraska Library Computer Centers Kickoff

- Sally Reed, keynote speaker
- Peggy Barber, facilitator
- Agenda will include a variety of activities:
 - Project goals and processes
 - Panel and group discussions
 - Next steps
 - Library stories
 - READ® posters



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Nebraska Library Computer Centers Kickoff

- Connected Nation
 - Invitations
 - Registration
 - Expense reimbursement

...through a contract with the
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What we know

- Phased implementation of equipment and broadband
- No direct cash to libraries
- Programming/training for staff and customers



NLC— Next steps

- Communication about the project
- Project staff
 - Project and Program Coordinator
 - IT Support Manager
 - Grant Compliance Officer
- Webinars as needed



Libraries— Next steps

- Register for Kickoff
- Communicate with constituents
 - News release template
- Think of stories for interview opportunity
- Pick out your favorite book for your poster
- Have patience!



Website tour

Check out our Website:
<http://nlc.nebraska.gov/lbnc/>



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