PENNSYLVANIA BROADBAND INNOVATION CONSORTIUM

COLLABORATIVE BROADBAND ARCHITECTURE SUPPORTING BROADBAND FORPA

WHO WE ARE

A consortium of key partners including municipalities, anchor institutions, and industry across Pennsylvania coming together to propose a visionary and collective solution to address the infrastructure component of Pennsylvania's digital divide.

INITIAL MEMBERSHIP

Carnegie Mellon University, Cities of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, Penn State University, Temple University, and the University of Pittsburgh

WHAT WE'LL DO

We will work with partners to develop a single, inter-connected end-to-end infrastructure that is shareable across the Commonwealth, connecting Pennsylvanians within PA.

HOW WE'LL DO IT

Collaboration and smart sharing can be transformative and cost-effective. Balancing open access with private investment allows the following:

- Creating partnerships among a variety of entities to create an open network
- Leveraging existing infrastructure to create transformative opportunities to reach the un/underserved
- Fostering collaboration between multiple broadband providers to utilize the network and serve the end user equitably

VALUES AND PRINCIPLES



COLLABORATION

Sharing resources like rights of way, conduit, and data allows Pennsylvania's allocated funds to go further - serving more people and doing so cost-effectively.



OPEN, TRANSPARENT, COMPETITIVE

All qualified providers will be able to access and fairly compete for shared resources, creating a more competitive broadband market and ensuring households can choose a provider that best meets their needs.

The Consortium will report on baseline speeds and pricing across the broadband landscape in PA.



BARRIER-FREE CONNECTIONS

The Consortium will work to ensure universal baseline connectivity for all who wish to have it - regardless of the price they are able to pay, with a simple sign-up process.



SELF-SUSTAINING

A sustainable business model will be constructed to ensure networks are maintained and renewed to keep up with changing norms and needs.

INTERESTED? SCAN THE CODE TO FILL OUT THE FORM AND WE'LL BE IN TOUCH

