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What has the nominee accomplished qualitatively and quantitatively to help close the Digital Divide and what has been the magnitude of the impact?

- ❖ Deployed 13 broadband networks
 - E.g., *Little Tokyo Unplugged*, a free public Community WiFi network within Little Tokyo neighborhood.
 - Provided fiberoptic bandwidth to help build LAPD advanced wireless security camera network.
 - 9 of 13 are in Little Tokyo Service Center (LTSC) affordable housing developments
 - Reached approximately 2,479 housing units, with over 300 subscribing to LTSC free Wi-Fi.
- ❖ Little Tokyo Community Blog with over 41,000 hits launched in tandem with Wi-Fi networks.
- ❖ Built out public computer centers throughout Greater Los Angeles.
 - Provided digital media classes to over 1200 students who would otherwise find computer access prohibitively expensive.
- ❖ Lent expertise to All People's Christian Center to build out a 15-workstation computer lab.
 - Enabled APCC to provide professional IT-based workforce development training to youth aged 18-25 whose career path would otherwise be greatly limited.
- ❖ LTSC Computer Adoption Program
 - Computer refurbishment program

How has the nominee made an exemplary contribution towards Digital Inclusion that distinguishes the effort from others?

- ❖ Culturally adept at providing digital literacy training and broadband adoptions assistance to diverse neighborhoods.
 - Extensive experience collaborating with numerous community-based organizations to provide neighborhood-tailored, culturally and linguistically appropriate sessions.
- ❖ LTSC programs sustainable and replicable
- ❖ LTSC fully plans to continue expansion of broadband access and education through underserved neighborhoods via building more strategic partnerships throughout the region.

How is the nominee regarded and respected by colleagues and the community?

- ❖ LTSC and its DISKovery Centers have a very positive, decade-long reputation throughout multiple sectors of its region, continuing to act as a trusted partner with the community, public agencies, public officials and community-based organizations. Amongst them are;
 - The Federal Communications Commission
 - Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard sent on LTSC's behalf her member's request to the Congressional Appropriations Committee to fund LTSC's technology programs
 - Councilwoman Jan Perry
 - The Asian Pacific Islander Small Business Program

What does the nominee do to inspire, enlist and assist others in promoting Digital Inclusion, especially harnessing market forces to serve the public good?

- ❖ Along the lines of its principles that everyone must be stakeholders in promoting Digital Inclusion, LTSC has actively built partnerships across many sectors, yielding good results and legitimizing broadband adoption as a key community issue.
 - E.g., *Little Tokyo Unplugged* was a direct product of the relationship LTSC has with the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles.

- E.g., the LAPD advanced wireless security camera network came from small business' interest in increased security.
- ❖ LTSC committed volunteers are developed with the goal of providing volunteers with applicable, marketable skills that can be used towards serving the public good and are typically also current or former clients of the DISKovery Center.
- ❖ LTSC recognizes the importance of internet-based communications strategies to recruit partners, educate the community, and promote broadband adoption.
 - E.g., The Little Tokyo Community Blog served to generate interest in *Little Tokyo Unplugged*.
 - E.g., website development and social network training workshops with small businesses have helped them to recognize the key role broadband plays in a thriving business.

How does the nominee capture the spirit and legacy of Don and Rosemary Vial?

- ❖ LTSC deploys and promotes broadband wireless networks as both a community utility and as services in its affordable housing developments. LTSC ensures that all can benefit via its training and classes specifically tailored to traditionally underserved audiences. Also, LTSC utilizes unlikely synergies to produce results exemplifying how broadband untie very dissimilar entities in the common aim of using technology for the greater good.