The Digital Divide: How Does it Divide Hoosiers?
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Do families have access to sufficient technologies and devices? Communities may differ in the availability, affordability, and speed of broadband services. The number of people and the type of devices in households can impact the quality and speed of internet services.

Do families have the knowledge and skills to utilize the internet? Families may be not be fully utilizing broadband services due to income and educational inequalities, cognitive and physical functioning, geographic location, age, and language barriers.

What can be done? There are many solutions to the digital divide. Examples include: subsidies or grant-matching programs that can offset costs for internet service providers or for consumers; task forces with stakeholders at multiple levels; communities that can offer skills training and invest in digital education.

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