

Resolution #2 on Community Benefit

The purpose of this resolution is to clarify the resolution passed at the Policy Committee meeting on April 6th regarding a commitment to overcoming the digital divide and setting up a community benefit fund for that purpose.

A Resolution Stating a Policy to Achieve Digital Equality in the UC2B Service Area

1. The Policy Committee hereby establishes a goal to achieve digital equality for all people in the UC2B service area, and adopts the following objectives to achieve the goal.
2. The Policy Committee will issue an annual public report on the digital divide in the UC2B service area (the area of the seven rings including all of Urbana, Champaign, and Savoy).
3. The Policy Committee will convene an annual meeting of anchor social institutions to discuss the above report and set general goals for overcoming the digital divide. This meeting will be open to the public, and be scheduled as a regular meeting of all UC2B committees.
4. The Policy Committee sets a goal to allocate 5% of its annual revenue and no less than 2% to a community benefit fund as a line item in the budget. Money from this fund will be dedicated to overcoming the digital divide, according to the general goals as above and the process as below.
5. Prior to the operational phase of UC2B, the Policy Committee will appoint an Advisory Committee for Digital Equality to help it achieve the goals as above. The Policy Committee will appoint two Advisory Committee co-chairs and at least seven committee members, including at least one member of the Policy Committee. All other committee roles will be decided upon by the Advisory Committee. A majority of the Advisory Committee members will be chosen from the anchor institutions which serve the underserved population of the UC2B service area. The Policy Committee states its desire and intention that the members of the Advisory Committee represent the diversity of residents in the UC2B service area.
6. The Advisory Committee for Digital Equality will propose a plan, including competitive grant awards from the community benefit fund to non-governmental agencies, to implement the general goals as above. If there is no available money in any given year,

no grants will be made. The Advisory Committee will forward to the Policy Committee its recommendations for spending the community benefit fund, and the Policy Committee will make the final decision.

(#1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 were approved April 20, 2011, #5 was approved May 4, 2011)