DID YOU KNOW?

Minnesota libraries offer vital digital access and resources to their communities.

- 99% of Minnesota libraries offer access to online job and employment resources
- 97% of Minnesota libraries provide access to online homework assistance
- 99% of Minnesota libraries provide access to E-books

Minnesota has 356 libraries, which were visited 26,211,333 times, with 6,439,576 public Internet computer uses.
**DIGITAL INCLUSION** is the ability of communities to provide opportunity for all in a digital age, and is comprised of 3 overlapping aspects:

- **ACCESS** to infrastructure
- **ADOPTION** of digital technologies
- **APPLICATION** of those technologies for community benefit

Public libraries build digitally inclusive communities through access to broadband, technology, training, and services.

- **[ACCESS]**
  - 99% of libraries offer free WiFi

- **[ADOPTION]**
  - 97% of libraries offer technology training

- **[APPLICATION]**
  - 100% of libraries offer education programming
  - 99% of those provide summer reading programs
  - 96% of libraries offer workforce development
  - 73% of those assist patrons with applying for jobs
  - 62% of libraries offer civic engagement programs
  - 97% of those assist patrons complete government forms
  - 28% of libraries offer health and wellness programs
  - 16% of those assist patrons with healthy lifestyle development

Data collected in 2013. For more information and citations:
digitalinclusion.umd.edu/references

*Percentages are derived from percentage of libraries that indicated that they offered programs in respective domain areas.