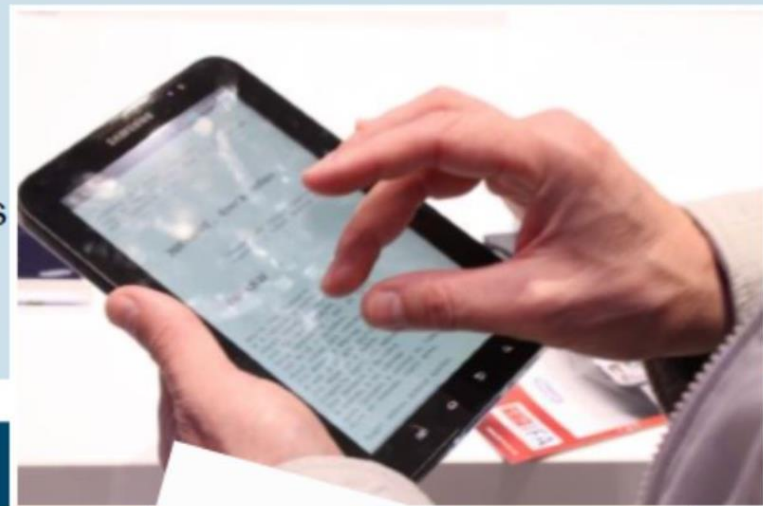


E-Connect TABLET Project

Our goal is to increase participation in virtual social and recreation programs by placing computer tablets and internet connection into the hands of individuals of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities who lack and cannot afford this technology.



During this pandemic individuals with developmental disabilities are feeling increasingly isolated from family and friends, are not participating in previously enjoyed activities, are experiencing a decrease in exercise and fitness, and have lost their social connections. Due to the lack of recreation programming, participant isolation and depression have become significant issues for many individuals who lack technology used by their peers on a regular basis.



HOW IT WORKS:

1. Agencies and Individuals complete an application found at www.recreationcouncil.org
2. Individual must have a developmental disability and be eligible for Senate Bill-40 board services.
3. Application goes through an approval process.
4. Tablet is picked up by agency staff or individual along with training manual to teach the recipient how to connect to virtual recreation and social opportunities.
5. After the tablet has been in the person's home for a while, the Recreation Council staff will follow up with the recipient to ensure that virtual connections have been successful.

Information at www.recreationcouncil.org

For questions, contact the Recreation Council at 314-726-6044.

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COST: \$30 co-pay is required at pick up

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