2010 Digital Inclusion Grant Awards

The Digital Inclusion Fund has awarded 11 grants totaling $100,000 to organizations across the city for programs to promote technology access and technology literacy.

The 11 grant recipients are:

- **Augustana Care**: $7,500 to support the Seniors Online program at Augustana Care's Minneapolis Campus. Funds will be used to upgrade computer equipment, and for technical support and assistive devices primarily for older adults with low vision.
- **Blindness: Learning in New Dimensions, Inc.:** $10,000 to teach technology access to blind persons in Minneapolis using synthesized speech and refreshable Braille displays.
- **Children's Hospitals and Clinics:** $8,505 to support the iPad Technology Inclusion Project. Funds will be used to integrate iPads in to three areas of patient care: education, distraction and preparation.
- **Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly:** $6,995 for technology improvements for elderly program participants in order to increase quality and efficiency of programs, assessment and implementation of computer training for staff, and replacement of key equipment.
- **Minnesota E-democracy.org:** $10,000 to introduce, engage and support online civic engagement by residents of the Powderhorn and Phillips neighborhoods.
- **Operation de Novo:** $7,000 to upgrade the Client Resource Room. Funds will be used to create an accessible computer lab to facilitate ongoing employment readiness and job search trainings and workshops to increase employability of adult program participants who owe restitution to their crime victims.
- **The Aliveness Project:** $10,000 to increase access to critical information and resources for disadvantaged people living with HIV/AIDS in Minneapolis.
- **Tubman:** $10,000 to support the implementation of a community technology center at Tubman's Chrysalis Center in South Minneapolis which will be open to Tubman participants, who are primarily women affected by domestic violence, and the public.
- **Twin Cities Community Voicemail (Open Access Connections):** $10,000 to establish a netbook lending library for low/no income people from Minneapolis who are currently or recently homeless.
- **Twin CitiesRISE!:** $10,000 to support a Minneapolis-based work skills development program offering computer and internet instruction for low income adults.
- **YMCA of Metropolitan Minneapolis :** $10,000 for additional computers and software programs for the North Community YMCA After-School Success Center which serves youth and teens from North Minneapolis.