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If you are affiliated with an organization, please provide the organization name LIDO - Leaning Into Digital Opportunity

If you are affiliated with an organization, please share a brief paragraph about your organization and its work in promoting digital equity LIDO - Leaning Into Digital Opportunity - is a Kansas City based program providing internet services, computer devices and meaningful connectivity to the Kansas City entrepreneur support community. This program is available to income eligible entrepreneurs who are starting or operating a small business anywhere in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa or Nebraska. LIDO is a partnership of PCs for People Kansas City, No-Where Consultants and The Usher Garage LLC.

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Who is your main point of contact if we have further questions? Please provide their name and the best method to communicate with them if they are not the commentor on this form

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Is there any additional background information you would like our office to know?

Please rank the Kansas digital equity plan on how it accomplishes the following:

Question 1: Outlines the current state of digital equity in Kansas Well

Question 2: Outlines a vision for digital equity in Kansas that recognizes the state's unique social and economic circumstances Well

Question 3: Identifies the barriers to digital equity faced by each of the state's covered populations Well

Question 4: Establishes an implementation strategy to achieve digital equity Well

<p>Question 5: Describes how Kansas will coordinate and conduct outreach amongst digital equity partners and stakeholders</p>	<p>Well</p>
<p>Question 6: Describes how Kansas will coordinate its use of DEA funding with any funds it will receive in connection with BEAD or other digital equity funding</p>	<p>Well</p>
<p>Question 7: Identifies the assets available to help connect Kansas' covered populations</p>	<p>Well</p>
<p>Question 8: If there are any digital equity assets that you feel have not been listed in the digital equity plan, please list them here</p>	<p>LIDO - Leaning Into Digital Opportunity - is a Kansas City based program providing internet services, computer devices and meaningful connectivity to the Kansas City entrepreneur support community. This program is available to income eligible entrepreneurs who are starting or operating a small business anywhere in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa or Nebraska. LIDO is a partnership of PCs for People Kansas City, No-Where Consultants and The Usher Garage LLC.</p>
<p>Question 9: Please indicate which sections of the Kansas digital equity plan you are providing comment on</p>	<p>Section 7: Appendices</p>
<p>Please provide comment on Section 7: Appendices</p>	<p>Please add LIDO to Appendix 2. We are seeking to serve all of the Covered Populations in the Inventory list.</p>

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