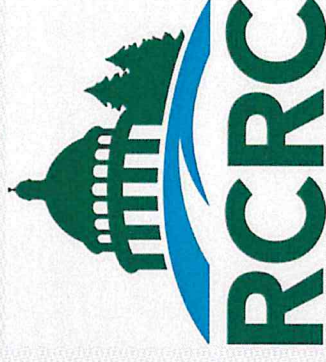




1 Laptop Program for Foster Youth

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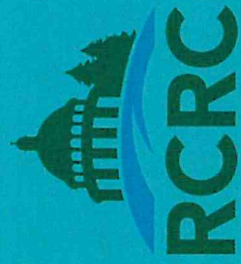
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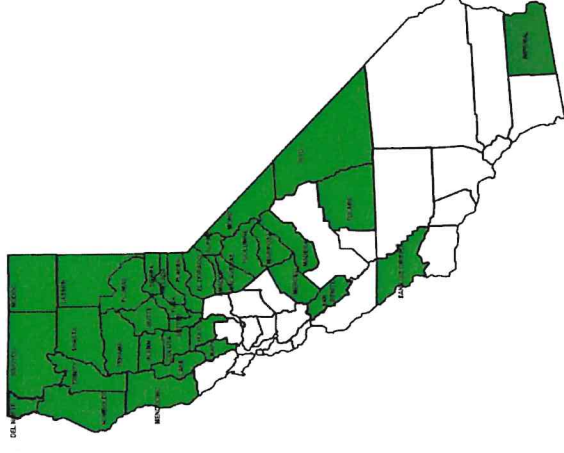
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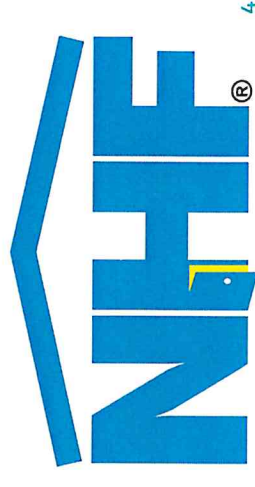
Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC)

- Founded in 1972
- 35 member counties
- Committed to improving the ability of small, rural California county government to provide services by reducing the burden of state and federal mandates, and promoting a greater understanding among policy makers about the unique challenges that face California's small population counties



National Homebuyers Fund, Inc. (NHF)

- Founded in 2002
- Assisted 38,100 individuals/families purchase a home
- Provided over \$322.6M in down payment assistance



Veterans Housing (NHF)

- 12-Unit Homeless Veterans Housing Program

Human Trafficking Education (RCRC/NHF)

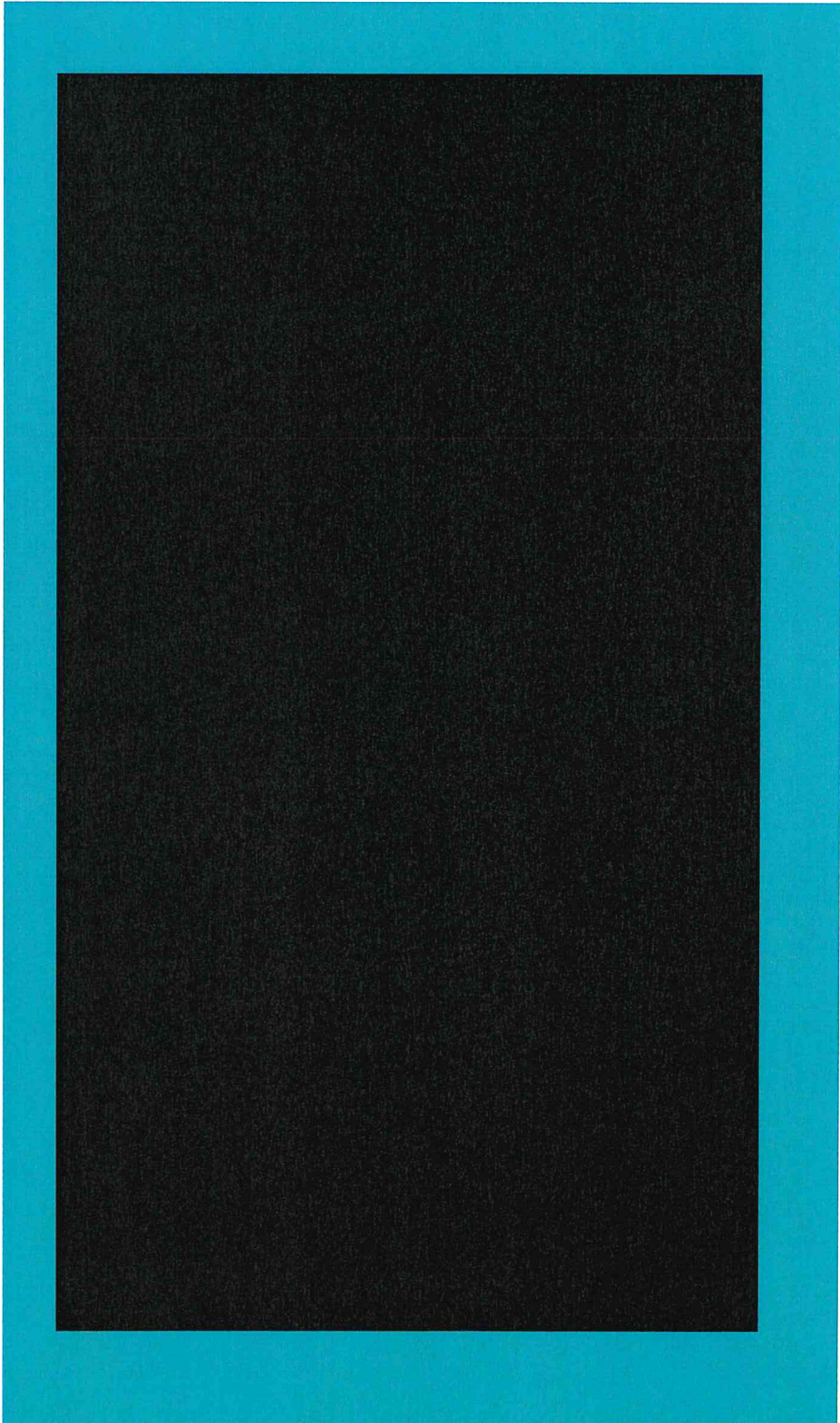
- PROTECT
- 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th grade curriculum

Emergency Disaster Assistance (GSFA)

- Butte Fire Rebuild (Calaveras County)
- Valley Fire Rebuild (Lake County)
- Detwiler Fire Rebuild (Mariposa County)
- Northern California Fires (Butte, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada and Yuba Counties)

NEARLY \$4 MILLION IN FINANCIAL
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California's Rural Counties Provide Laptops to Foster Youth

SACRAMENTO, CA – January 29, 2018 – Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) and National Homebuyers Fund, Inc. (NHF) have joined forces to contribute \$400,000 to provide an iFoster laptop computer to all eligible foster youth and former foster youth aged 16-21 within RCRC's 35 member counties.

RCRC and NHF's Boards of Directors each approved providing \$200,000 to support the iLaptop Program for Foster Youth. Through this one-time contribution, more than 1,100 eligible foster youth and former foster youth in care will receive laptops within RCRC's 35 member counties.

In December 2017, RCRC and NHF joined forces to contribute \$400K to support the iFoster Laptop Program in RCRC's 35 Member Counties

*This one time contribution will provide a laptop to 1,139 eligible foster youth aged 16-21 within RCRC's 35 member counties

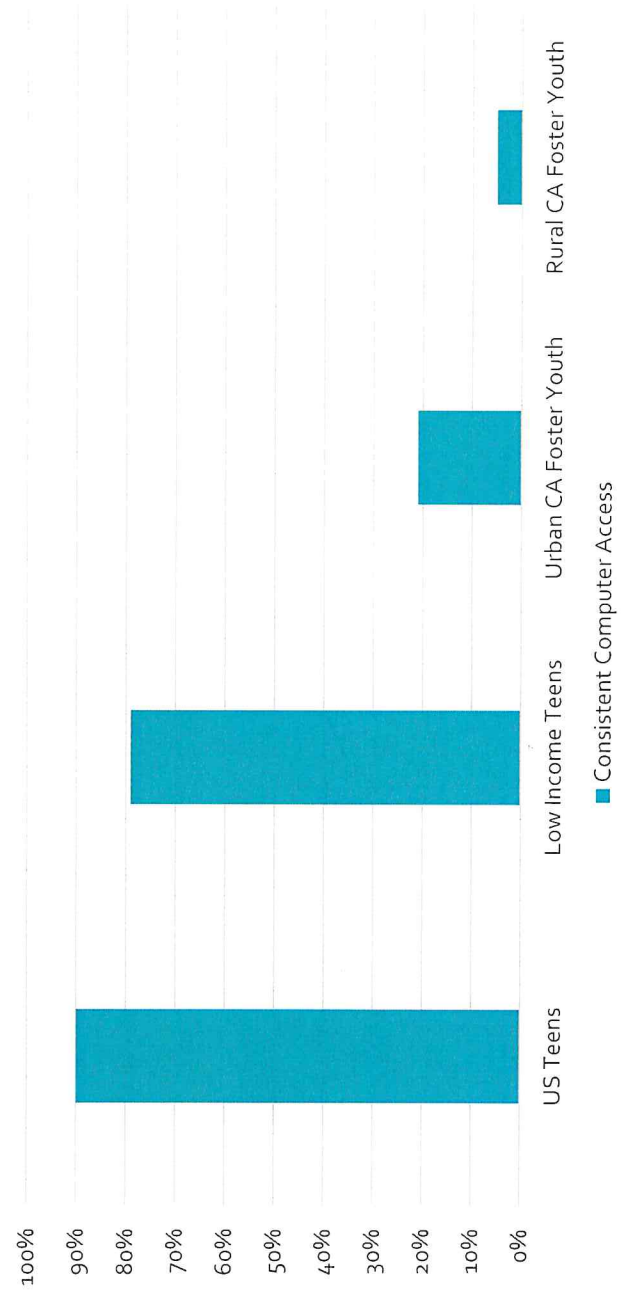


iFoster

- Non-profit serving the child welfare community, including formal foster care, guardianship, informal kinship care, transitional-age youth (16-24) and probation.
- Over 45,000 members across all 50 states
- Committed to ensuring that every child growing up outside of their biological home has the resources they need to become independent adults and have access to the opportunities to reach their full potential
- Delivered over 12,000 laptops to foster youth nationwide



Digital Deficit for California's Foster Youth



Consistent computer access as measured by access to a computer at home.

Source: *Pew Research Center, 2014; iFoster survey of 3,063 foster youth in Fresno, Los Angeles, Madera and Placer Counties*

LAPTOP OWNERSHIP IMPACT ON CALIFORNIA YOUTH

Research shows having access to a computer at home impacts three key measures:

Improved Academic Performance

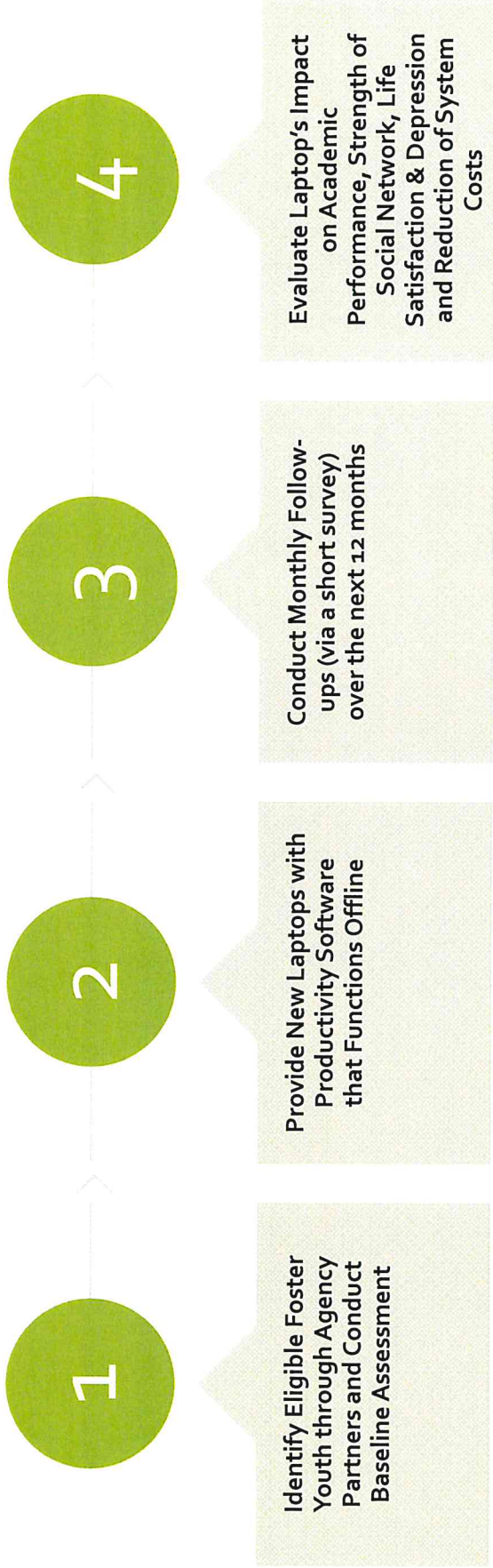
- ✓ Improved grades
- ✓ Reduced missed days of school
- ✓ Increased pursuit of college and employment

Stronger Social Network

- ✓ Improved Relationship with biological family
- ✓ More likely to connect with support network

Increased Life Satisfaction

- ✓ Increased life satisfaction and self-esteem
- ✓ Reduced depression and suicidality
- ✓ More likely to report freedom; that they fit in more



1 Laptop Program Model

iFoster Laptop

- Designed by Microsoft/Intel
- Semi-rugged, ultra-slim design
- Fully loaded with donated Microsoft Windows, Office Suite, and Adobe Reader
- 11 hour battery life
- 64Gig hard drive and fast processor
- Internet/HDMI ready
- Webcam

Tay Assistant

- Concierge service integrated into iFoster's portal of over 500 curated resources and opportunities for foster youth
- Free, secure HIPAA compliant locker to save and access vital life documents
- Resulting in fewer vital documents lost, increased connection to needed resources, improved youth support network

El Dorado County

- 45 laptops delivered to foster youth

QUESTIONS?

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