



Technology Committee

Digital Growth Initiative Team August 29th, 2025



Overview





Strategy 5-1: Digital Navigator Program

- June 2024 to July 2025 Metrics
- Summer Youth Employment Program
- Recent Basic Computer Skills Cohorts

Strategy 5-2: Digital Literacy Programming

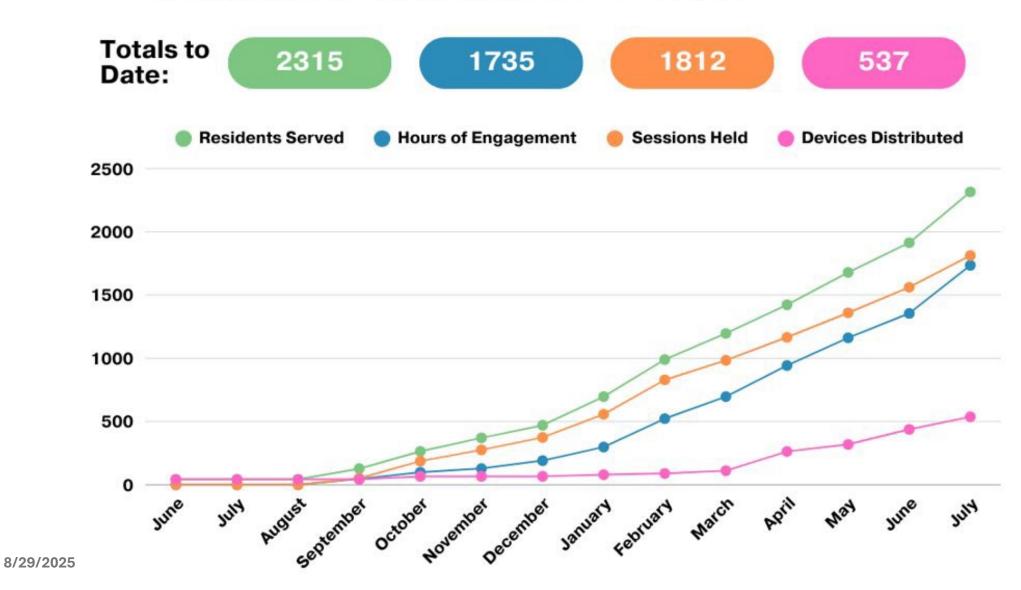
- Northstar Online Learning Metrics
- Licenses Awarded

Strategy 6-2: Digital Equity Coalition

- August 2025 Meeting
- Upcoming Meetings

Digital Growth Initiative Cumulative Metrics 2024 - 2025





Summer Youth Employment Program





The Lake County Digital Growth Initiative (DGI) partnered with the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) to deliver a focused digital training experience for participating youth. Digital skills topics covered in the training included:

- Responsible Internet Use
- Misinformation Awareness
- Tech-Life Balance

As part of this initiative, over 100 youth earned laptops through digital skills workshops to support their ongoing learning and digital access.

Recent Learn to Earn Cohorts









Patricia A. Jones Center
Cohort 2 – English Led Instruction
8/29/2025

Job Center of Lake County Cohort 5 – English Led Instruction

Northstar Online Learning







Lake County Illinois Network

March - August 2025	
Unique Users	289
Assessment Time (hours)	141
Total Basic Comp Tests	634
Assessments Passed	331
Assessment Pass Rate	52.2%

Last 30 Days (Including July and August 2025)		
Unique Users	142	
Assessment Time (hours)	24	
Total Basic Comp tests	142	
Assessments Passed	81	
Assessment pass rate	57%	

Northstar Online Learning Licenses





- Northstar Online Learning (NSOL) Accounts for Proctoring assessments
- Classroom Curricula
- Account set-up

- Train the Trainer Session on all the above
- Unlimited seats for eligible residents

- Reporting
- Marketing

Application to Receive a Northstar Digital Skills License



Lake County Digital Equity Coalition Meeting August 26, 2025

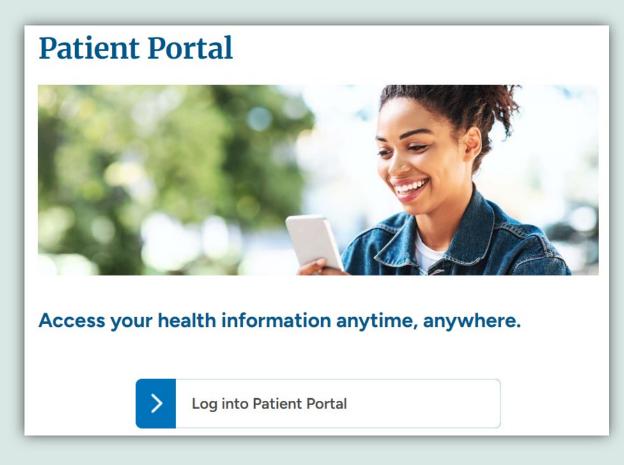




- Number of attendees: 45
- Number of organizations represented: 22

Agenda:

- What can DGI do for you?
- Welcome and Digital Literacy Teaching Strategies
- Member Spotlight Lake County Health Department
- Overview Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)
- Northstar Digital Literacy / License Update
- DGI Metrics / Accomplishments
- Upcoming Programming
- Monthly Coalition Toolkit
- Next Steps



Member Spotlight – Midlakes Health Center, Lake County Health Department

Digital Equity Coalition Meetings



- Upcoming In-Person Coalition Meeting Save the date!
 - Tuesday, September 23rd 2:00 4:00PM



Register Here for the September – In-person Meeting

Tuesday, October 28th – 12:30 – 1:30PM on Zoom



Register Here for the October – Virtual Meeting





Questions