# Capital Region Coalition for Digital Inclusion Quarterly Meeting

### September 23rd | 11:00 - 12:30 PM



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# Ice Breaker

# Please introduce yourself, your organization, and share one highlight of your work in the digital inclusion space!



# Welcome & Introduction

Caitlin Blockus Project Manager - *Broadband & Digital Equity* Valley Vision



# Housekeeping



Place any direct questions in the chat or raise your virtual hand, and you will be called on



This meeting will allow time for Q & A



This meeting will be recorded and will be provided within the post-meeting materials





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11:10 AM	Digital Navigator Panel D
12:10 PM	Digital Inclusion Week
12:20 PM	Next Quarter's Coalition
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### Discussion

### Meeting

# About Digital Navigators

### Definition

Digital Navigators are trusted guides who assist community members in internet adoption and the use of computing devices. Digital navigation services include ongoing assistance with affordable internet access, device acquisition, technical skills, and application support.

### Importance

Digital Navigators' crucial role in the digital inclusion ecosystem centers on providing direct support to communities to help bridge the digital divide, specifically in the areas of affordable connectivity and digital skills building.



<u>https://www.digitalinclusion.org/definitions/</u>

## Meet our Digital Navigator Panel!







Danielle Stephen MoHuman Community Resilience Director Jerry H. Yamashita, Ed.S. Highlands Community Charter and Technical Schools Instructional Technologist <u>Carolyn Glauda</u> Southeastern NY Library <u>Resources Council</u> Librarian for Education and Outreach



### <u>Abi Waldrupe</u> National Digital Inclusion <u>Alliance</u> Digital Navigator Manager





### **Digital Inclusion Week**

Digital Inclusion Week (DIW) is **October 3rd - 7th**! It is a week of awareness, recognition, and celebration of organizations and individuals who are passionate and determined in achieving digital equity goals in their communities through promotion of digital inclusion activities and events across the country.

### Be a part of #DIW2022!

- Complete the interest form to be featured by Valley Vision for Digital Inclusion Week HERE
- Look out for the CRCDI's Digital Inclusion Week Toolkit coming next week!



### Next Quarter's Coalition Meeting

### Friday December 9th | 11:00-12:30 P.M.



Join us as we discuss the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), a federal program which provides eligible households with a \$30 monthly discount towards internet service and a one time \$100 discount towards an eligible device, along with funding opportunities related to ACP outreach.

### **Register here**

# Thank you for joining!

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