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Host Site Approach
Illinois chose to place their 9 Members individually in regions across the state; each Member’s host site was a state university branch (NIU, SIU, WIU, etc).

Funding & Contracting Approach
The convening and funding partner leading the charge in Illinois was the Illinois Broadband Lab (a quasi-government entity) and the University of Illinois Extension system.

Training & Management Approach
While university chapters supervised Members’ day-to-day activities in their communities, training was predominantly provided by the Illinois Broadband Lab team.
Host Site Approach
Idaho chose to place 10 Members across the state, each serving with a branch of the University of Idaho Extension System. All Members served either rural or tribal communities.

Funding & Contracting Approach
The University of Idaho Extension System fully funded all 10 Members.

Training & Management Approach
All training was conducted centrally, administered by the Digital Economy branch of the Extension System.
Host Site Approach
Massachusetts chose to place 15 Members at a mix of host sites statewide - some hosts were nonprofits, while others were municipalities.

Funding & Contracting Approach
All Members were funded by the Massachusetts Broadband Initiative (MBI), which functions as the state broadband office. MBI also raised private funding from Comcast to support the statewide corps effort, adding an additional 5 Members.

Training & Management Approach
Given the large number of Members, most training was community-specific and conducted by each host site. However, MBI did provide some central training, while also marketing Members' efforts statewide in the press/media.