

Community Council Meeting
May 27, 1999

Common Themes--expanded

1. Ensure access to healthcare, education, and government services to citizens of the state of Nebraska regardless of location through the appropriate and efficient use of information technologies.
2. Promote the development of an infrastructure of sufficient bandwidth that is secure, affordable, and meets the specific needs of various sectors. Efforts should be made to ensure that systems established across the state are compatible.
3. Develop a workforce fluent in the use of information technology. In addition to competencies in specific applications, fluency in information technology should include a broad understanding of information technology concepts, and the development of critical thinking skills. Efforts should also be made to promote the recruitment and retention of IT professionals within the state.
4. Facilitate IT development by encouraging the sharing of information, collaboration, and the development of partnerships. Collaborative efforts should be encouraged among public sector entities as well as public-private partnerships. In the private sector, facilitating interactions among firms and establishing synergistic clusters should also be encouraged.
5. Foster a political and regulatory environment conducive to IT development.
6. Ensure equitable access to information technologies.
7. Encourage the use of appropriate information technologies and the development of innovative applications.