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**To:** NITC Commissioners  
**From:** Anne Byers  
**Subject:** Community Council Report

**Developing Websites for Community Growth Project.** The Community Council continues to move forward with the Developing Websites for Community Growth project. Over twenty applications to participate in the program were received. Eleven communities have been selected to participate. Participating communities include:

- ◆ Burwell
- ◆ Butler County
- ◆ Elwood
- ◆ Gering
- ◆ Grand Island
- ◆ Laurel
- ◆ Pender
- ◆ Scribner
- ◆ South Sioux City
- ◆ St. Paul
- ◆ Valentine

Train the Trainer Sessions have been held in Lincoln and Columbus. Additional training sessions will be held in North Platte and Sidney on Sept. 29 and 30. Materials for the program are being revised based on feedback from participants in the train the trainer sessions.

Partnering agencies include the NITC, Department of Economic Development, Nebraska Public Power District, Twin Cities Development - Scottsbluff/Gering, AIM Institute, and University of Nebraska Lincoln Extension. Steering Committee members include Anne Byers, Nebraska Information Technology Commission; Tim O'Brien, Nebraska Department of Economic Development; Jenny Overhue, Nebraska Public Power District; Darla Heggem, Twin Cities Development; Rod Armstrong, AIM Institute; Connie Hancock, University of Nebraska Lincoln Extension; and Norene Fitzgerald, NITC Community Council.