## MEMORANDUM

TO:             Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission

FROM:        John Speirs, Program Coordinator
                   Office of Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs

DATE:         January 12, 2011

SUBJECT:    Grant for Technology Opportunities (GTOPs) Update


GTOPs is currently in the middle of the 2010 grant cycle, two of nine GTOPs recipients have successfully completed the grant:

American YouthWorks – Provides computer repair training, refurbished computer distribution, and Monthly Communication Workshops.

| Program Objectives | Goal | TOT | % |
|---|---|---|---|
| Enroll 10 new (unduplicated) Computer Corps members in program | 10 | 10 | 100% |
| Train 10 Computer Corps members in computer repair | 10 | 10 | 100% |

Girlstart – GTOPs aided in scholarships for Girlstart Summer camp is designed to increase interest in STEM (Science, Technology, engineering, and math) subjects and careers.

| Program Objectives | Goal | TOT | % |
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| 224 students will attend summer camps | 224 | 340 | 152% |
| Conduct 8, week-long summer camps | 8 | 14 | 175% |
| Provide 15 full scholarships to campers | 15 | 131 | 873% |

For the 2011 GTOPs cycle, 35 organizations applied.  Below are some key dates in the 2011 grant process:

**January 20, 2011**- Responses to Written Questions Due

**February 1, 2011** – First Round of Scores Due

**February 17, 2010** – Oral Presentations
Grant applicants will be selected to give a five-minute presentation followed by Q&A.

**March 9, 2010** – Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission Regular Meeting.  The final awards recommendations are presented to the Commission for a vote at the regular March meeting.