

# GIGABIT LIBRARIES AND BEYOND: IMPROVING BROADBAND ACCESS WORLDWIDE

A WEBINAR WITH



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**FREE registration and more info at: <https://tinyurl.com/isldbroadband>**

Libraries worldwide are a key resource in supporting and providing broadband access to their communities, which continue to experience inequitable access to the internet and information and communication technologies (ICTs). The Toward Gigabit Libraries toolkit is a free, self-service guide created to help libraries understand and improve their IT capacities and broadband resources. Join this webinar that will first introduce internet access globally and the role of libraries in providing internet access, followed by an interactive discussion on IT and broadband challenges your libraries face and learn about how the toolkit can help libraries beyond the US, understand and address them. While the toolkit was originally created for United States libraries, this session will focus on areas that can be applied and adapted to an international audience. Participants are encouraged to describe their technology challenges and work with the facilitators and other attendees to seek solutions.

Prior to attending the session, attendees can download and review a free version of the Toward Gigabit Libraries Toolkit at <http://internet2.edu/tgl> and also watch the short explanatory video on the site.

A follow-up interactive, hands-on session is scheduled on **January 19, 2022; 8-10 am CT** for participants to virtually “workshop” possible approaches to localizing the toolkit for communities across the globe.

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