

## Lancaster County Broadband Authority Report to the Board of Supervisors February 28, 2019

Since the last report on January 31, the Broadband Authority has continued to provide assistance concerning the Atlantic Broadband renewal matter. Complete minutes of the Authority's meetings are available, but this report will update you on the important items that are in process.

- 1. The Authority successfully completed and submitted its application for a federallyfunded Telecommunications Planning Grant. In the process of submitting this application, the County's CAMS registration was updated with the assistance of Gary Silverman. We do not yet know whether we have been selected for the grant, but we hope to hear sometime in March.
- 2. The Authority made a budget submission for FY 20, principally to fund a professional project design study, which will be done when the planning work funded by the EDA and Planning Grant are complete.
- 3. The Authority has again been in contact with the Center for Innovative Technology, which is providing start up assistance and will aid in circulating and evaluating the results of a needs assessment survey. CIT is very familiar with the specific actions required to complete the planning process outlined for the Telecommunications Planning Grant. CIT has also finished revising the survey, and it will be distributed at the appropriate point within that planning framework.