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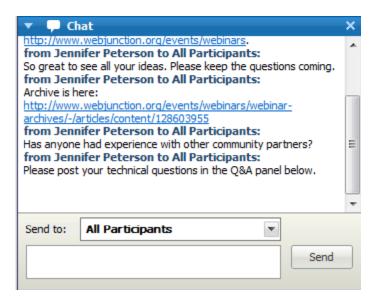
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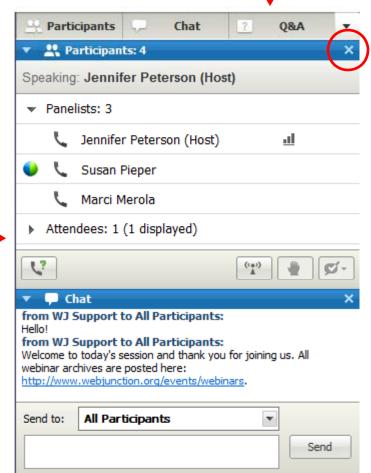


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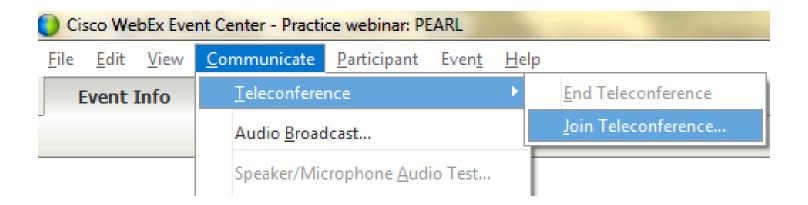
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### **Facilitating today**



#### Amy VanDeVelde





#### Hayley St. John-Ayre





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### Amp Up Your Technology Training





### OASIS Connections Mission: Bridge the Digital Divide



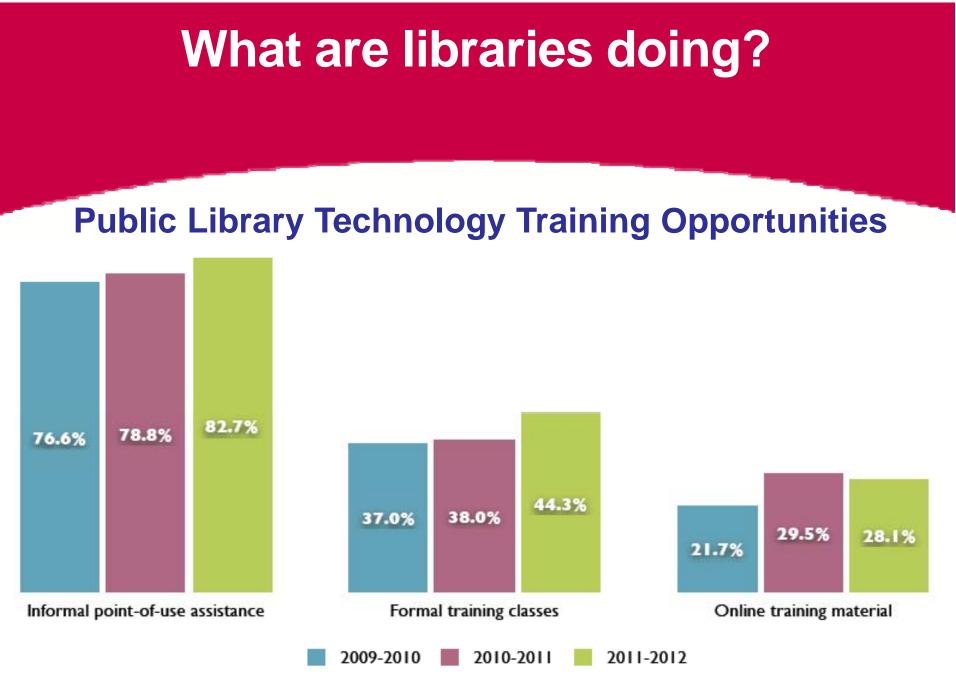




### Technology training is critically needed

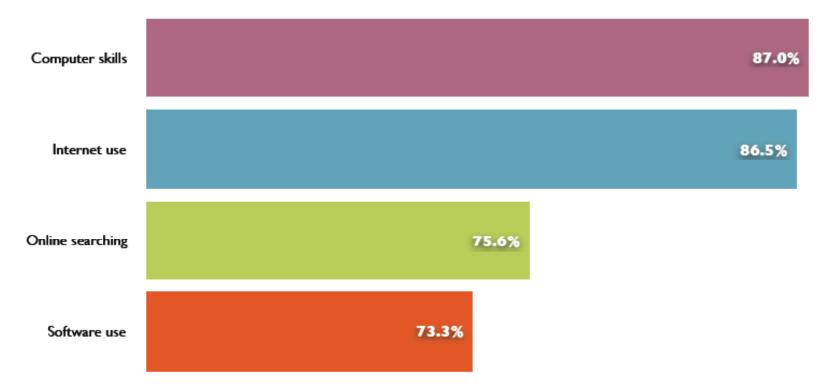
- Unemployment rate for 55+ is at 60 year high
- Fewer people can afford to retire
- 53% of adults 65+ use the Internet (up from 13%)
- Lack of current skills is top disadvantage for older job seekers
- Qualified adults will be needed in the workforce





Source: Public Libraries and the Internet





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### OASIS Connections addresses barriers

- Classes in public spaces with computer labs to increase access to technology
- Develop knowledge and confidence to reduce fear
- Build skills through success
- Learning in a group provides support



### **Evidence based program**

- Study by S. Czaja, University of Miami CREATE center
- Treatment and control group: 196 individuals in four cities, average age 70.5, ethnically diverse
- Results published in *The Gerontologist* March 2012:

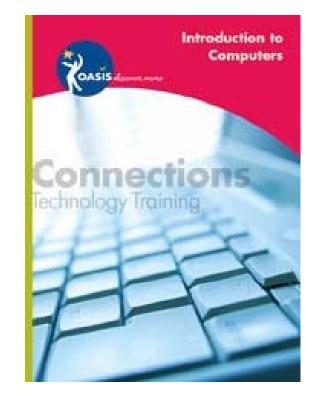
Computer and Internet courses effective in increasing knowledge, skills, comfort and use of computers



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### **OASIS Connections Curriculum**

- 36 courses
- Computer, Internet and Tablet skills
- Workplace applications
- Job search and resumes
- Social media, online safety, digital photography, genealogy and more
- Flexible course offerings
- Content updated annually

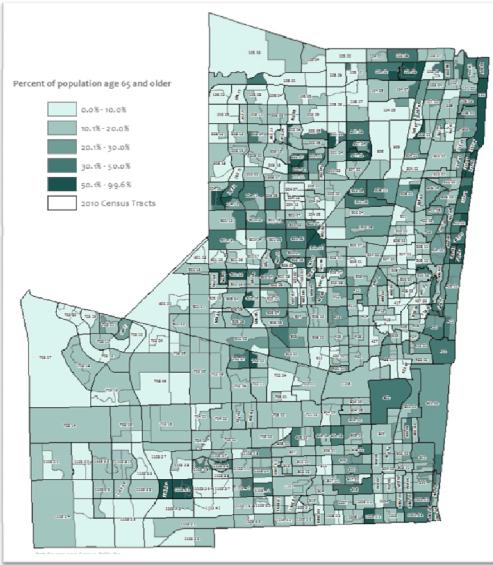




# Volunteer Instructor OASIS Connections Technology Program

Hayley St.John-Ayre

### 65+ Population Based on 2010 Census



Traditionally, Broward County has a large population of 65 and older, reflecting the County's sizeable retirement community. This made our community a perfect match for OASIS Connections Technology Training.



### **Location, Location, Locations**

- Each location has its own challenges
- Introduced program at one location in a community where there was a high demand, and used this as a pilot to work out the procedural and administrative glitches





### Funding



Friends of the Broward County Library



- Generous Library Friends Groups and the Broward Public Library Foundation Fund:
  - Annual licensing fee
  - Printing of student work books
  - Volunteer appreciation

### **Recruit, Train, Retain Volunteers**

#### Recruit

- Partner with local volunteer recruiting organizations
- Post recruitment flyers in libraries, on website, and at community centers
- OASIS website
- Word of Mouth

#### Train

- Webinar
- On site training

#### Retain

- Appreciate
- Recognize
- Support







#### North Regional/BC Computer Classes

This list is also available in our E-Calendar, which has a complete searchable list of library events, exhibits and computer classes. Click on the "More..." link below for details of an event.

Address: 1100 Coconut Creek Blvd., Coconut Creek, FL 33066





OASIS is a national education organization designed to enrich the lives of adults age 50 plus through programs in the arts, humanities, health, technology and volunteer service. We offer opportunities to learn, develop talents, connect with others, stay healthy and active, and make a positive impact in the community. Discover more!

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Call 954-201-2640@ for more information. Pre-registration is required for all classes.

The Job Search Online (Oasis) Must have basic computer skills 10:30 AM to 12:27 April 30, 2013 - - North Regional/BC Library Computer Center

More seniors tackling the

In ever-increasing numbers, seniors are dipping their toes in the virtual world, often at

of kids or grandkids.

Looking for a Job? Help is on the way

e Job Search

y. November 2nd, 2011

#### **Success**



Classes 472

Enrollment 3577

83% responded to surveys

Age	
45-50	16%
51-60	26%
61-70	30%
71-80	17%
Over 80	10%

Gender	
Male	37%
Female:	63%

#### **Household Income**

Under \$25,000 55% \$25,000-\$50,000 33% Over \$50,000 12%

# OASIS Connections Technology Program





**Mary Bush** 





### Why we chose Connections

- Variety of classes for beginners
- Consistent curriculum system wide
- Manuals created by Oasis for students to take home
- Downloadable material for instructors and students
- Budget cuts





### Why we stay with Connections

- Great support
- Flexibility about who can take the classes
- Flexibility about some content
- We can provide regular feedback to OASIS





# What works well for staff and volunteers

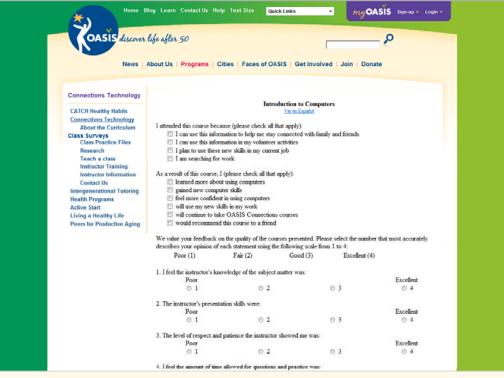
- Training webinar utilized for staff and for volunteers
- Has allowed us to expand our offerings with a new program Tech Tutors
- Database tracks data we couldn't track ourselves





### What works well for participants

• OASIS evaluations help us get feedback from our participants





### **Our Connections Statistics**

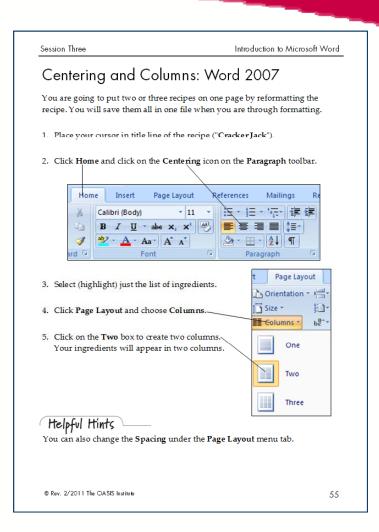
#### 2012:

Classes 31		Enrollment 82		90% responded to	90% responded to surveys	
Age Gender			Household Income			
45-50	9%	Male	47%	Under \$25,000	55%	
51-60	32%	Female:	53%	\$25,000-\$50,000	38%	
61-70	35%			Over \$50,000	7%	
71-80	19%					
Over 80	5%					



### Curriculum designed for adult learning needs

- Large type, step-by-step instructions, screen illustrations
- Active learning and practice
- Inclusion of technical vocabulary
- Glossaries and helpful hints



### Instructor training supports quality

- 350+ instructors
- Monthly instructor webinars cover
  - o adult learning needs
  - best practices for instruction
- Online student evaluations provide feedback on instruction



### **Marketing templates**



### **Class Participants**

- 65,000 enrolled since 2001
- Most over age 50, but classes open to all age adults
- 2012 profile:
  - o 44% minorities
  - o 50% low income
  - 28% seeking jobs
- 96% say course materials are good or excellent

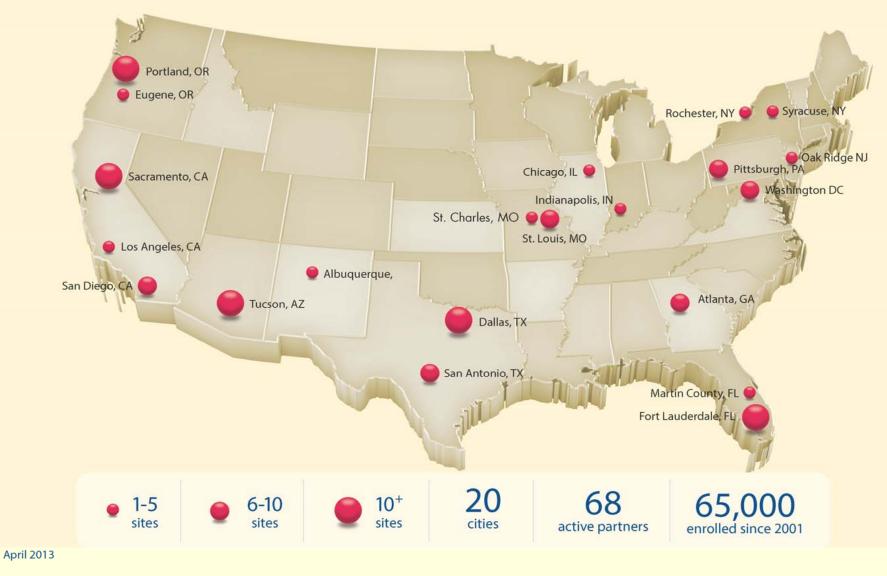


"I used to be in front of the desk, filling out applications. Now I'm behind the desk, working on the computer. I learned everything from ground zero in the class."

- Mary Ann Gomillion, Dallas



### **OASIS Connections Class Sites**

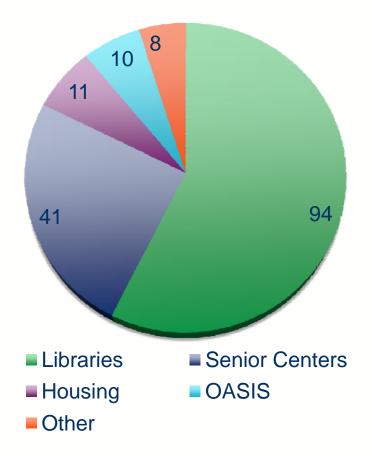


# Libraries lead the way in class sites

#### Partners

- 41 senior agencies
- 11 library systems
- 9 housing sites
- 8 other

### **162 Class sites**



# **Current library partners**

- Pima County AZ
- Pinal County AZ
- Sacramento CA
- Broward County FL
- Martin County FL
- Brownsburg IN
- St. Charles County MO
- Oak Ridge NJ
- Allegheny County PA
- Multnomah County OR
- Dallas TX



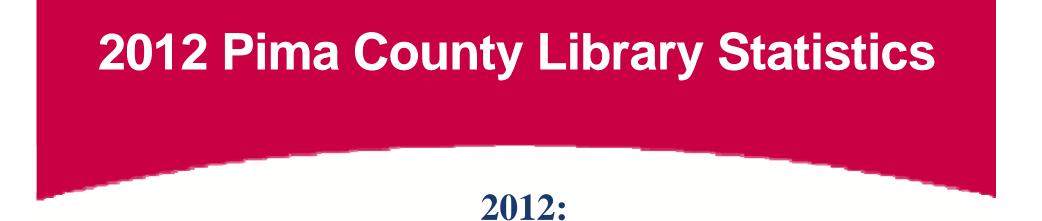
# What other library partners have to say about Connections

"We appreciate the Connections complete approach:

- instructor orientation on adult learning,
- class implementation,
- program management,
- volunteer recruitment strategies suits our focus:
- literacy, basic education
- and workforce training. . . "



Beth Matthias-Loghry Pima County Library, Arizona



Classes 539 Enrollment 1724

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Gender	
Male	

Male31%Female:69%

#### **Household Income**

Under \$25,000	47%
\$25,000-\$50,000	35%
Over \$50,000	18%

# What other library partners have to say about Connections

- easy for staff to teach
- easy for patrons to follow
- allows libraries to offer far more computer programs
- staff does not need to expend valuable time
- successfully trained volunteers...



Lori Easterwood Sacramento Public Library, California

# 2012 Sacramento Public Library Statistics

2012:

29%

71%

Classes 47 Enrollment 181

63% responded to surveys

Age	
45-50	28%
51-60	33%
61-70	22%
71-80	15%
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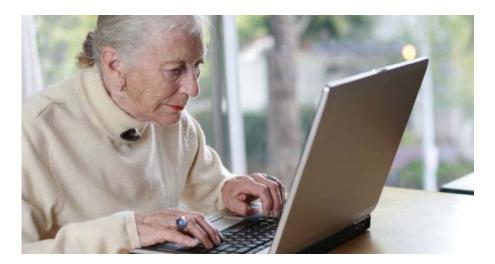
**Gender** Male Female:

**Household Income** 

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# 2012 memory research study uses Connections Facebook curriculum

- Findings: Facebook helps improve cognitive performance
- Training participants performed 25% better on tasks to measure their working memory



# Annual curriculum license fee

- Supports curriculum updates
- Provides Instructor Training for staff and volunteers

## **Program materials**

Student handbooks

- Long courses (6 8 sessions)
  - -Download Free
  - –Printed \$10.00 per book plus shipping

 $\circ$ Short courses (1 – 3 sessions)

-Download Free

## Learn more

#### http://www.oasisnet.org/connections



#### Programs

CATCH Healthy Habits <u>Connections Technology</u> About the Curriculum Class Surveys Class Practice Files Research Teach a class Instructor Training Instructor Information Contact Us Intergenerational Tutoring Health Programs

#### Technology Training for Your World

Do you want to learn more about computers? Need to update your skills for a better job? Want to be more in touch with the digital world?

OASIS Connections classes can help you build skills and confidence using computers, the Internet and today's technology.

- Classes are designed for adults over 50 and people who need to update their workplace tech skills
- Choose from beginning and intermediate level classes
- You do not have to own a computer to participate
- All classes are hands-on with one computer for each participant

Interested in partnering with us to offer Connections? Find information for partners

View a map of current cities where Connections classes are offered.



## **To learn more**





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