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**Local Education Foundation Name Collaborates with AT&T to**

**Decreasing the Digital Divide for Florida’s Students**

**CITY, Florida** – Students in [Insert County Name] will benefit from a statewide investment by AT&T this year, an initiative that seeks to address the digital divide across Florida. This strategic effort, in collaboration with the Consortium of Florida Education Foundations (Consortium) is focused on enhancing digital literacy and ensuring equitable access to technology for students, particularly in underserved communities.

The NAME OF LEF is one of six education foundations statewide that was selected by the Consortium for a local initiative funded by AT&T.

One or two paragraphs of localized information about your project goes here, including:

Project Title

Who, What, When, Where, Why?

Timeline of project

Quote from Participant(s)

Were there any additional partners involved?

Include photo if possible

“Our collaboration with the Consortium over the past 15 years has been a journey of making tangible differences in the lives of Florida’s students,” commented Joe York, President of AT&T Florida. “This year, as we focus on addressing the digital divide, our goal is to not only connect students to technology but also empower them with the skills to navigate and succeed in a digital world.”

**About Philanthropy & Social Innovation at AT&T**

We’re committed to advancing education, creating opportunities, strengthening communities, and improving lives. As part of our companywide commitment to address the digital divide, we launched AT&T Connected Learning® to invest in connectivity and technology, digital literacy, and education solutions to help today’s learners succeed inside and outside of the classroom. Since 2008 we’ve committed to programs that help millions of students across all 50 states, Washington D.C and around the world, particularly those in underserved communities.

**About the Consortium of Florida Education Foundations:**

The Consortium is the membership organization for Florida’s school district-wide local education foundations. Established in 1987, the Consortium connects individuals, organizations, and financial resources to build the capacity and effectiveness of Florida’s local education foundations. Together, Consortium members raise more than $100 million annually for a variety of locally driven initiatives and are led by 1,200 board members, 80% of whom are local business and community leaders working in partnership with school district leaders. The Consortium manages the nation’s only 1:1 legislative match for education foundation initiatives and a variety of privately funded grant programs. To learn more about the Consortium or connect with any member local education foundation, visit <https://educationfoundationsfl.org>.