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Digital Equity in New Marlborough

The New Marlborough Cable and Broadband Advisory Committee is seeking your input for the Digital Equity Study.

As a pre-cursor to the formal study that will begin in the first quarter of 2024, the committee is kicking off the project with the placement of a feedback method in the form of a Town map located at the Town's library.

We are asking all residents (full/part time) to locate their residence on the map and identify your Internet status with a colored push pin.

The possible responses are:

- I have Spectrum/Charter or another provider and the Internet quality is good
- I have Spectrum/Charter or another provider, but the Internet quality is not good
- I don't have Internet access at home. It's too expensive.
- I don't have Internet access at home. My location is unserved.
- I don't have Internet access at home. I'm not interested in being online.

If you are a regular visitor to the library, you will find the large map on an easel just to the right of the front desk. If you aren't a library enthusiast, use this as an excuse to check it out.

Don't fret if you can't get by to provide feedback now. Once the formal study kicks off there will be a multitude of opportunities to get engaged.

What is Digital Equity - *A condition in which all individuals and communities have the information technology capacity needed for full participation in our society, democracy, and economy.*