

Communities in Schools

COMMUNITY IMPACT PROJECT SNAPSHOT-
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"Apparo is helping us keep track of what helps us keep on track. Transitioning to a digital inventory application will ensure accurate and thorough inventory tracking within our sites, Central Office, and storage, and help ensure we utilize the agency's resources in an appropriate manner."
- Linda Stallworth, Communities in Schools

Serving 7,000+ Students with the Greatest Needs but the Fewest Resources

Communities in Schools (CIS) was using a highly complex, manual Excel-based process to keep track of inventory. They order supplies such as computers, printers, hardware, paper and furniture needed by staff across nearly 90 locations. The process was time consuming and led to lost inventory as well as purchase of duplicate items. The organization reached out to Apparo for help because they needed a better, more efficient way to manage inventory. Desmond Gibson, the project's skilled volunteer, assisted CIS with determining a list of prioritized requirements for their new system and conducted marketplace research to determine systems available that would meet the requirements within their specified budget. Desmond assisted with scheduling demos and facilitated discussions that allowed CIS to make the best decision for their organization.

Nonprofit Team: Andrew Ladd, Linda Stallworth

Volunteer Team: Desmond Gibson

ANTICIPATED PROJECT IMPACT

- Increased Operating Efficiencies - Time required to identify available inventory will decrease significantly; By allowing staff members to have direct access to the system, time relaying information is saved
- Decreased Expenses - Decrease in lost inventory and reduction in duplicate purchases
- Decreased Risk - Better identification of hardware requiring upgrades



"It was truly a pleasure working with Community in Schools. Coming from the education sector in the DC area, I was glad the that I could use my technical expertise to help them." - Desmond Gibson, Volunteer

61 hours

Total hours dedicated to this project by the volunteer and Apparo team

$9,150

Market value of this project (volunteer & Apparo hours)

18x

Value delivered on the nonprofit's investment