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SA Digital Connects Conducts Search for New Executive Director to Lead Organization and Implement Community's Digital Equity Plan

SAN ANTONIO, TX (June 12, 2023) – <u>SA Digital Connects</u> (SADC), the local public, private community collaboration who built and is implementing the San Antonio/Bexar County Digital Equity Plan, has begun the search for their second Executive Director to lead the organization.

Marina Gavito, former SADC Executive Director, has won her San Antonio District 7 City Council race. The SA Digital Connects Board of Directors and our community partners thank Gavito for her leadership.

The new SADC Executive Director will lead the team with the board and stakeholders to implement the <u>Digital Equity plan</u>. The individual will be responsible for shaping and implementing the moving-forward strategy. The Executive Director will manage operations of the unincorporated nonprofit; work with investors, work with a lean team of consultants and SADC's valuable fiscal agent, greater: SATX.

This position is outlined with instructions for applicants and applications are being accepted now, go <u>HERE</u>.

The Digital Divide is an economic and social inequity that impacts more than 20% of local residents. Affordable and quality internet is foundational to reducing systemic inequities and driving the next generation of societal and economic development.

SADC was formed by private sector funders in 2020, who also funded our community's Digital Equity Plan. The City of San Antonio, Bexar County and over 200 community organizations collaborate with SADC. This private -public-community collaboration was then established to close the digital divide.

The organization's scope of work is focused on implementing the Digital Equity Plan. **SA Digital Connects Scope**

✓ Established the **private -public-community** collaboration to close the digital divide, and together we built the San Antonio and Greater Bexar County **Digital Equity Plan**

- ✓ Implementing the Digital Equity Plan by addressing 1) Securing funding for Access/Infrastructure 2) Affordability 3) Adoption/Digital skills
- ✓ Track and reporting progress in un-underserved areas to ensure every household is connected to high-speed, reliable and affordable internet

For a full understanding of the Digital Equity Plan, SADC resources, tracking and the operational team, visit www.sadigitalconnects.com. Interested individuals in the Executive Director role can find more information at www.sadigitalconnects.com/edsearch and contact Diane Warren at diane@bounceology.com.

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SA Digital Connects:

SA Digital Connects is a public/private/community investment and unincorporated nonprofit dedicated to the implementation of the San Antonio and Greater Bexar County Community Digital Equity Plan and Roadmap that will lead to future action steps; including timelines, milestones, key stakeholder roles, and required investment for execution. With this roadmap, our community is "shovel ready" to make effective use of local, state and federal funding for key digital access and equity initiatives impacting households, students, older adults, veterans, people living with disabilities, workforce, telemedicine, and the justice system. For more information, visit www.sadigitalconnects.com.