TITLE V DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION AND MODERNIZATION IN FAR WEST TEXAS

- Funded Oct. 1, 2023 – Sept. 30, 2028

- $2,993,974 over 5 years

  - will likely have a no-cost time extension through Sept. 2029

GOALS & IMPLEMENTATION

Two overarching goals:

1. Increase institutional capacity & expand educational opportunities
2. Enhance the educational experience to support student success

How? (Goal 1 Implementation)

- Provide technology directly to students via check-out programs (hotspots & laptops)
- Provide professional development and training for faculty and staff
- Update, upgrade and repair equipment in hands-on academic labs, group learning spaces, & community engagement spaces across campuses

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RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS

2023 Title V: Digital Transformation and Modernization (U.S. Department of Education, 5 years, $2,993,974)

Equipment (received as of 2/29/24)
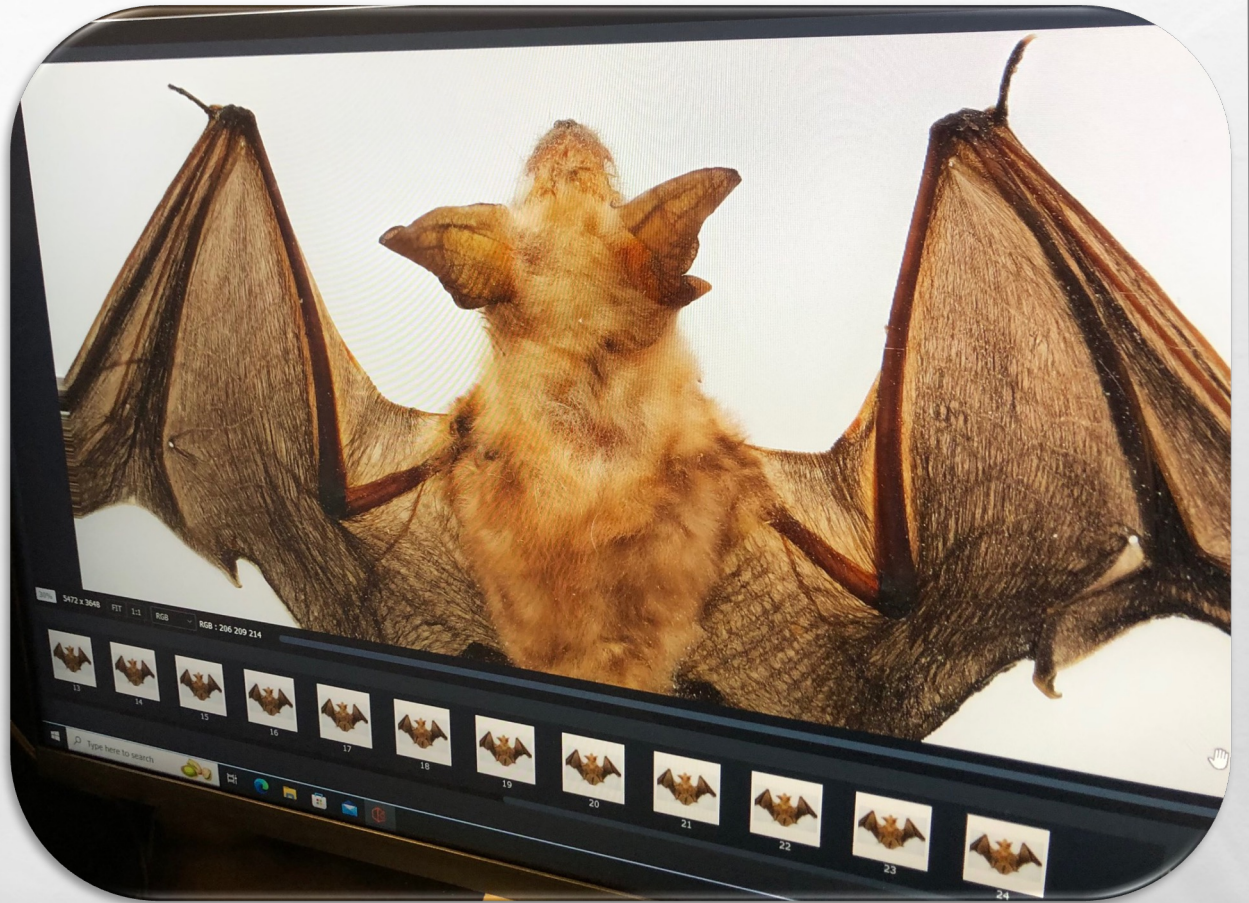
Handheld Multi-probe (Geology)	6,071.50
Sontek Flow Tracker 2 (Geology)	11,780.00
Apex VR Officer Training Simulator (HS/CJ)	69,500.00
Hass Vertical CNC Metal Mill and electrical work (IT)	80,056.79
Canon EOS 1DX camera, etc. (Biology)	11,552.23
Baselayr X Series LED digital exposure unit (Fine Arts)	1,541.96
MS Project software (BRI)	918.88
MacBook Pro, cameras, etc. (University Communications)	14,037.59
iPads (IE)	3107.80
Helper Helper software (Civic Engagement)	2,500.00
Shelving (Lobo Pantry)	375.50
Total	**201,442.25**

Equipment (on order or shipped as of 2/29/24)

Freezer and refrigerator (Lobo Pantry)	2,357.99
Wall-mounted headwall simulators (Nursing)	14,136.30
Electric Kiln and electrical work (Fine Arts)	11,930.00
Total	**28,424.29**

Lightbox, camera & software - Biology Dept.

Dr. Thornton Larson, Asst. Professor of Biology

Terry Ross, Equipment Maintenance, Industrial Technology

IMPLEMENTATION

Goal 1 Implementation cont'd

- Install Digital Learning Commons areas at each campus
    - Information desk/equipment checkout
    - Huddle spaces
    - Tech-integrated privacy pods
    - High powered computers
    - Lounge/open floorplan seating

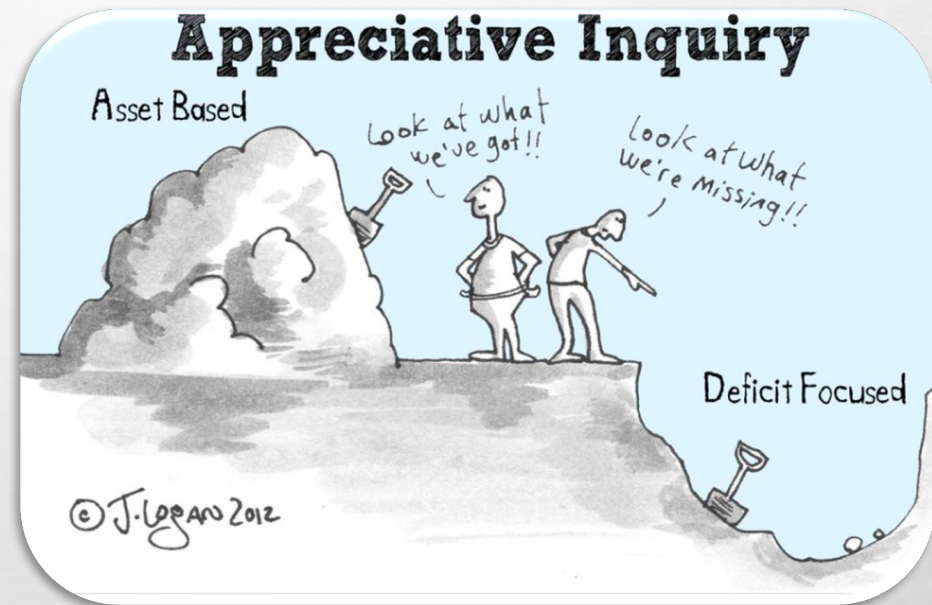### Rutgers University

Digital Learning Commons, Alexander Library

IMPLEMENTATION

Goal 2 Implementation

- **Seek IACS** (International Accreditation of Counseling Services) **accreditation for Counseling & Accessibility Services**

- **Increase access & availability of health services and basic needs**

- **Increase campus security**

- **Train faculty, staff & students on asset-based mindset**

GRANT PLANNING/BACKGROUND

- Grant was drafted at same time SRSU was revising strategic plan

- Input from: Online Programs and Distance Education Committee, Academic Planning Committee, external report commissioned by TSUS (highlighted potential fields for development and expansion in SRSU's service area), various focus groups, & core planning team (President, Provost, VPs, Deans, Directors, Chairs)

- Involves departments across all instruction sites & includes – Animal Science, Biology, Chemistry, Civic Engagement, Counseling, Criminal Justice, Fine Arts, Geology, Industrial Technology, Institutional Effectiveness, Kinesiology, Library, Lobo Pantry, Nursing, Student Health Services, Student Testing Center, Studio Arts, University Center, University Communications, & UPD