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**Affordable Computers Available to Mower County Residents in Need**

[AUSTIN, MN, August 1, 2019] Austin Adult Learning has partnered with PCs for People to offer affordable computers to local residents.

Computers are no longer a luxury, but a necessary and assumed tool for many everyday tasks. PCs for People is helping to bridge the gap that low income residents have in their ability to keep up with society’s expectation of internet accessibility and digital literacy skills. Austin Adult Learning has connected with PCs for People to meet the need their students have for computer ownership to do homework and online learning. They are inviting any interested community members, who meet income guidelines, the opportunity to purchase a quality computer at a low cost.

Desktop and Laptop Computers are available in several models ranging from $50-$150. Computers come with Windows 10, 1-year warranty, LibreOffice Productivity Software and all necessary hardware. Mobile hotspots are available for a one-time fee of $80 and prepaid high speed 4G LTE internet service for as low as $11.25 a month.

Participants need to qualify for this program by providing documentation of current participation in most income-based government assistance programs or the prior year’s tax return. Interest forms are being accepted until August 28. Everyone who has completed an interest form will then fill out an eligibility form, workshops will be available to assist with this process. Computers will be available for pick-up October 4. Participants need to bring a photo id and cash or credit card payment on pick-up day.

For more information or to order, fill out the online form at AustinAdultLearning.org or pick up a form at Riverland Community College, East Campus, Room C129.

Austin Adult Learning is an Adult Basic Education program of Austin Public Schools. They run English Language and GED classes at Riverland Community College in Austin, MN. To get more information on enrolling, call them at 507-440-8701.