

# 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY REGIONAL INTERNETWORKING CENTER

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Benefiting our communities with:

Shared regional technology assets for  
multipoint videoconferencing

Linking Western New Yorkers to each  
other and the world

Delivering Education, Healthcare and  
Government Services



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***“Connecting WNY to the World  
... Bringing the World to WNY”***



## COMMUNITY BENEFITS

Provides Direct Access for Collaboration  
and Partnerships among Contributors  
from Education, Government and  
Healthcare.

Serves as a Model and Catalyst to find  
Regional Solutions to Complex  
Obstacles in Future WNY Projects.

Promotes the distribution of Distance  
Learning Courses including Healthcare  
and Workforce Development courses to  
Underserved Regions in WNY.

Offers more robust Technology through the  
sharing of Equipment, Maintenance and  
Technical Support than could be  
Afforded by Individual Members.

Enhances Public Safety through Regional  
Training, Continuing Education, and  
Terrorism Preparedness.

Advances Great Lakes Environmental  
Education within the Region and across  
the Continent.

Affords Communication across Geographic  
Areas and among numerous Agencies.

Allows access to Internet2 for greater ease in  
Transmission of Videoconferencing.

***Places WNY on the Leading Edge of  
Collaborative Video Technologies.***

## WESTERN NEW YORK PARTNERSHIP for REGIONAL INTERNETWORKING

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With a vision for regionalism and improving  
our community, the WNY Partnership for  
Regional Internetworking (WNYPRI) was  
formed from the WNY High Performance  
Network Video Initiative, founded in 1995.  
Today the consortium represents over 30  
public and non-profit organizations from  
across Western New York. The **MISSION**  
of the consortium is to advocate for  
improvements to the regional network  
infrastructure that allow for high quality  
videoconferencing and other large bandwidth  
applications.

WNYPRI members were faced with an  
immediate problem involving the duplication  
of expensive and highly technical multipoint  
videoconferencing equipment including the  
need for trained expertise to support that  
equipment. The proposed **21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Regional Internetworking Center** is an  
ideal solution, which will bring live interactive  
video to multiple points simultaneously in  
support of high quality applications for  
education, healthcare and government services,  
creating the regional on-ramps to the  
information superhighway.



Visit: <http://wny-hpnvi.buffalo.edu/wny-hpnvi/webs/PRIwg/index.html>