# Democracy & Citizen Participation

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### The Council for Excellence in Government

17 year old nonprofit, nongovernmental organization
Mission: to improve government performance and reconnect citizens with their government

#### TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP CONSORITUM

Public/private group committed to the use of information technology as leadership tools

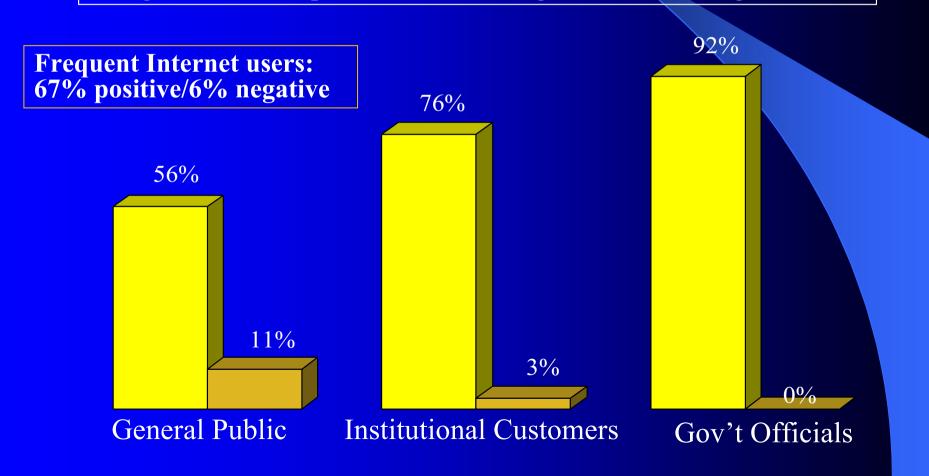
MEMBERS: federal & state government agencies, Nonprofit organizations, National Science Foundation, Harvard, AOL, IBM, Microsoft, AT&T, Oracle, KPMG

# Why E-Government? The US Approach

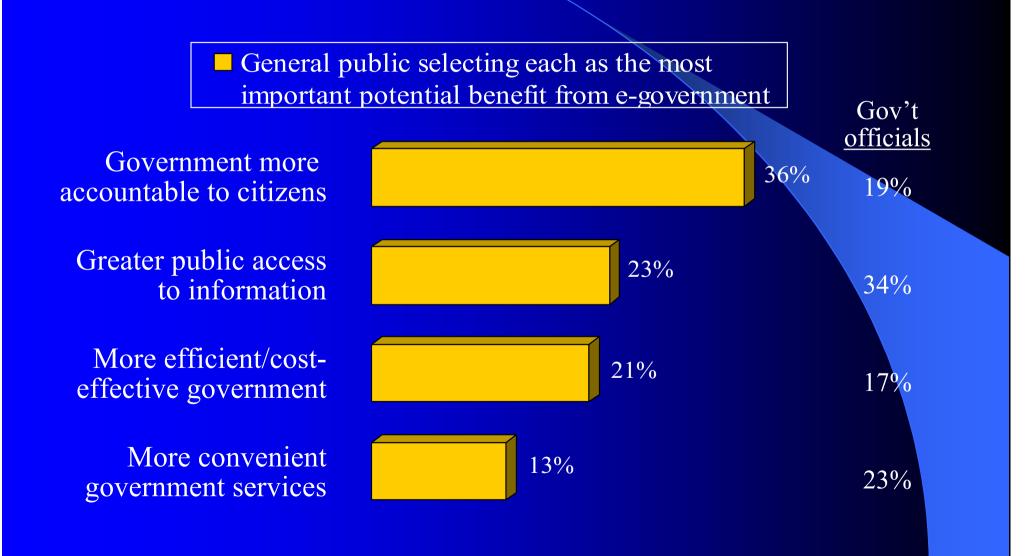
- 1. Crisis of trust in government especially youth Reconnect people with government
- 2. Perceived lack of transparency, accountability & consultation Open up government to the people
  - 3. Need to "Reinvent" government Increase efficiency, streamline services
  - 4.Processes reflect industrialized era not digital economy State/National Competitiveness

# All Groups Foresee Positive Effect For E-Government

■ E-gov't will have positive effect ■ E-gov't will have negative effect



### Most Important Benefits Of E-Government



### Government Officials Are Enthusiastic

83% think e-gov will improve their ability to do a good job.

87% believe their agency coordinates more effectively with other parts of government because of e-government.

## **Business And Nonprofits Benefit**

56% say the Internet has made it easier to do business with the federal government.

64% expect that e-government will facilitate business-government partnerships.

### E-Government: Of, By, & For the People

magine government truly of, by, and for the people—a place where people and organizations will no longer have to wait on line between eight and five on weekdays only, but where they can be online at any place or time they wish. A place not only to get information but to complete transactions with government, receive government services, talk with elected representatives—even to vote. A government that organizes and offers its information and services around the needs of people while protecting their privacy.

Imagine people in government who are excited about using the Internet to make a difference and produce results, answering questions instantly, using secure networks that cross organizational boundaries to serve the public.

Imagine people in business enjoying quick and easy interactions with government that produce results in the public interest.

Imagine people in all sectors—government, business, non-profits and the research community— working together to make all of this happen quickly, innovatively, and cost effectively.

THIS IS e-Government - our government of the future, not the government of the past!

#### E-Government: the Next American Revolution

Output: Specific recommendations to overcome challenges:

Leadership, Strategic Investment, Collaboration,

Workforce Development, Privacy & Security,

Access & Education, E-Democracy

Outcome: Community of over 350 organizations & leaders poised to implement e-Government & e-Democracy

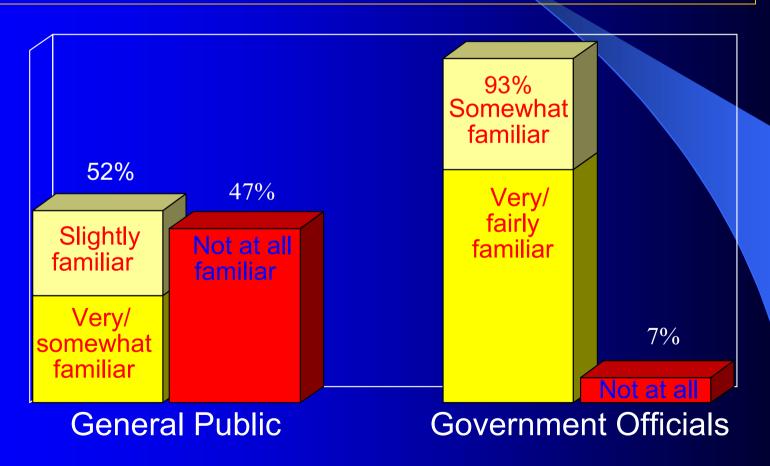
Available to everyone. Accessible to all - at home, at work, in schools, in libraries and in their communities. Deliver in a multi-channel approach

Easy to use. Easy for all to utilize, and connecting federal, state, regional, local, tribal and international governments. Provide the skills and the education.

# Public Is Still Learning About E-Gov

How familiar are you with "e-government"?

72% of frequent Internet users are familiar with e-government.

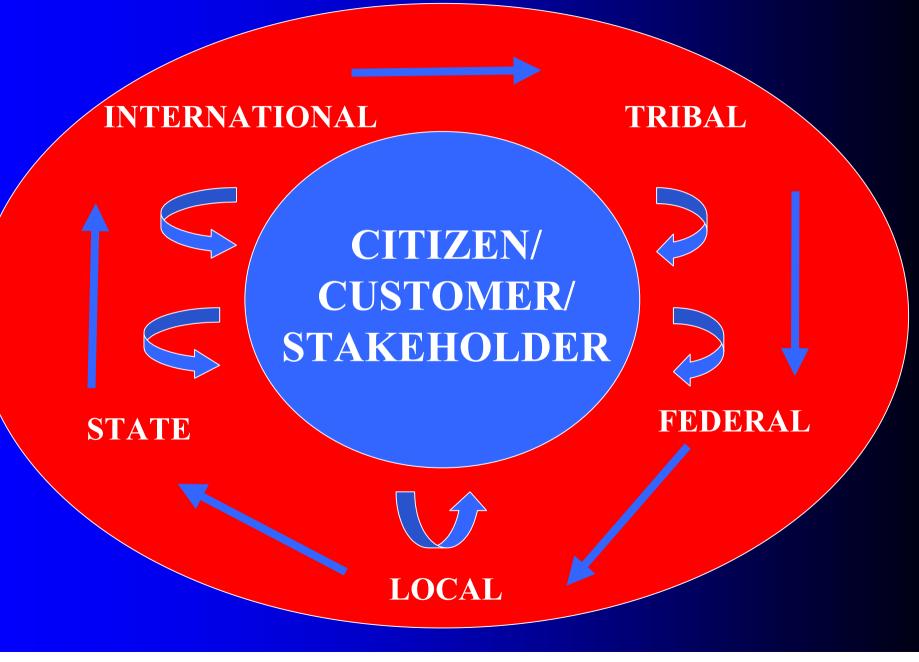


Collaborative. Within a framework of government policy, standards and accountability, solutions are developed collectively and openly among public, private, nonprofit and research partners, on the basis of their experience and expertise.

# All Sectors Say Collaboration is Key

- Public/private partnerships are the best way to e-Government:
  - Make government services available (66%)
  - Bridge the digital divide (63%)
  - Setting standards for privacy and security (78%)
- 87% of government employees believe their agency coordinates more effectively with other parts of government because of egovernment.

# INTERGOVERNMENTALISM



#### **GOVERNMENT**

State, local, tribal, federal, intn'l

LEADERSHIP, Policy, Standards, Partnering, Goals

#### **TECH INDUSTRY**

Oracle, IBM, Microsoft, 50+

LEADERSHIP, technical solutions, standards, investment

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Convene, Catalyze, Communicate

#### RESEARCH/ACADEMIA

NSF, Universities, Labs

LEADERSHIP, Applied solutions, Research & development, education

### Nonprofits/NGO's

Citizen Groups, Advocacy organ's

LEADERSHIP, monitors, evaluators, owners, showcase success

Innovative and results-oriented. Emphasizing speed and advances in technology, while embracing continuous improvement.

Cost-effective. Through strategic investments and results that produce significant long term efficiencies and savings.

Transformational. Harnessing technology through personal and organizational leadership to transform government rather than automate existing practices. This is about citizen-centric Leadership NOT Technology.

# E-Government Fellows

- Soldiers of e-Government!
- Stay in current jobs tuition based
- Meet 40 days a year
- Benchmark public & private organizations
- Results project

# Imagine e-Government Award

to recognize individuals who propose creative new ways for government to use information technology to serve and connect with the public

\$50,000 prize

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