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Thankful for Technology!



Thanksgiving is about celebrating the wonderful things in life — food, family, and friends. When preparing for Thanksgiving dinner, we reach out to our loved ones to invite them, search for the best recipes for tasty sides, and share photos of our celebration. In this way, technology has become a central aspect to the way we connect and celebrate. [Read about CTN's gratitude for Technology on the blog.](#)

Digital Inclusion Funding Opportunities in California



Last month, CTN organized a meeting in San Leandro with the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) so they could share information about their different grant programs focused on digital inclusion. [Learn more about these programs on the CTN blog.](#)

CTN and Sprint provide devices and digital literacy training to Foundation Community residents



Community Tech Network (CTN) and **Sprint** teamed up to distribute 15 new Samsung tablet devices to learners at **Bluebonnet Studios** in south Austin. The residents were provided with six months of free data plans as they get used to their new devices. Once they received their tablets, Sprint staff provided individualized training to the learners to help them better connect with family and friends, seek employment, keep up with their schedules and more. The learners got acquainted with device controls, connecting to Wi-Fi, adding their email, and using the Samsung Plus app to learn even more from online tutorials. [Read more about the Teach-in on the CTN blog.](#)

Breakfast, Brag and Borrow: November Recap



On November 8th, Breakfast, Brag, and Borrow returned to the San Francisco Public Library (SFPL) to share success and seek answers from fellow non-profit technology providers. As the host, SFPL gave a tour of The Bridge @ Main resources, including a set of Windows computers with the full Adobe suite installed. Any San Francisco resident with a library card can use the computers in the Learning Center on the 5th floor for an unlimited amount of time. [Read more about November's B,B and B on the CTN blog.](#)

Volunteer Spotlight: Chuck Linton



Just after the latest Connect @ Home class came to a close, CTN interviewed volunteer Chuck Linton at Oak Springs Villas in Austin, TX to talk about his volunteer work. [Read about Chuck's work with the learners at Oak Springs on the CTN blog.](#)

Thank you to our CyberLESS Monday donors -- there's still time to

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CYBERLESS MONDAY



Imagine life if you were
denied access to the internet.
How would you work,
communicate, shop, or find
the information you need?

Thanks to you, CTN raised \$2,000 toward new devices + access + digital literacy training to those still in the divide. If you missed Cyberless Monday it's not too late to donate before the end of the year. **Your gift can change a life!**

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