

# COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY **network news**

*Transforming lives through digital literacy.*

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## Trainer Spotlight: Michael Wiggins



Michael Wiggins is a kind and passionate volunteer, and we at CTN consider ourselves lucky to have him as a digital literacy trainer. A tech industry veteran, Michael has researched the impact of digital literacy in places as far away as Indonesia, while still finding time to contribute to local causes here in the city. [Read Michael's full story here.](#)

## We're Hiring!



CTN is growing and seeking a Bilingual Digital Literacy Program Manager! If you're looking to join a team that is working hard to empower, enrich, and expand the lives of learners, we invite you to apply. Become part of the movement to close the digital divide in the Bay Area. [Click here to learn more about this opportunity.](#)

## Tech Allies: Connecting Seniors Across the Digital Divide



Little Brothers Friend of the Elderly and CTN receive support from Metta Fund to deliver Tech Allies, a new program that aims to connect homebound elders to the internet. Program Coordinator Debbie Uchida shares her story about the positive impact that technology has on curbing isolation among a generation of seniors who have been largely left behind by the tech revolution. [Click here to read what Debbie has to say about Tech Allies.](#)

## Photovoice Participants Appreciated at Reception



Last week, CTN held a reception for the participants of Photovoice, a research project led by Lynne Andonian, Associate Professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy at San Jose State University. Participants took photos and wrote about the impact technology has had on their lives. [Read more about the Photovoice reception here and download a copy of their photo book!](#)

## Free Gigabit Internet for 1,000 SF Homes



A new initiative between the internet service provider Monkeybrains and the San Francisco Housing Development Corporation is providing wireless high speed internet access to 1000 low income residents at no cost for 2 years. Partly funded by a grant from the California Public Utilities Commission, this “gigabit” service will first be rolled out to homes in the Hunter’s Point East and West housing complex, expanding to the Tenderloin and Bayview communities by the end of 2017. [Click here to read more about this innovative program.](#)

## CETF Annual Digital Divide Survey Results Released

### Annual Survey



[California Emerging Technology Fund](#)’s latest survey, entitled “Internet Connectivity and the ‘Digital Divide’ in California Households,” has been released. [The Annual Survey](#) provides details about the communities that are living without ready access to the internet and, therefore, not taking advantage of the educational, employment, healthcare, and civic engagement opportunities that lead to a better quality of life. [Survey Summary.](#)

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