

COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY network news

Transforming lives through digital literacy.

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Twitter Doubles Donations to Ready, Set, Connect!

If you're looking for a great way to make a difference this year, look no further!

Until October 7, all donations made to the next *Ready, Set, Connect!* program will be matched by a \$30,000 grant from Twitter. **As if by magic, a one-time \$25 donation will become \$50! Or \$150 will turn into \$300!**

RSC is a program for youth aged 16-24 in Oakland and Alameda County. Through mentoring and work experience, participants begin their journey towards a career in tech. And the extra magical thing is that, along the way, the participants help local people learn vital digital skills, so your donation will help young people AND support the community too!

[Visit our fundraising page and find out how RSC is changing young people's lives.](#)



Simplifying Tech for Seniors

Seniors are participating more and more in digital society, but it is important

that they are confident in using their devices. [Read the latest tech training solutions blog, "5 Ways to Make Digital Devices Easier To Use For Seniors,"](#) for some top tips.

Volunteer Spotlight: Randy Schroeder



Home Run for CTN: Community All Stars Award

On August 17, CTN was recognized as a "Community

All Star" by the San Francisco Giants baseball team and AT&T.; The \$10,000 award recognized CTN's commitment to digital literacy for seniors. [Read more about the ceremony.](#)

Welcome, William!

Meet the newest member of



Randy Schroeder -- entrepreneur, blogger, author, app creator, and PowerPoint guru -- is a volunteer

computer tutor at Aquatic Park senior center. We're lucky to have such a multi-talented, committed volunteer: [meet him here!](#)



CTN's staff, William Dean. A long-time volunteer with CTN, William recently joined the team as a part-time Digital and

Adult Literacy Coordinator, helping seniors develop both digital and language literacy. [Find out more about what William will be doing.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 9: Deadline to apply for Ready, Set, Connect!

RSC is a joint partnership between Community Technology Network (CTN) and the Oakland Public Library (OPL). This program is designed to help Oakland and Alameda County youth aged 16-24 discover the professional skills necessary for technology-focused careers while gaining experience and connections in a meaningful internship at the OPL. [Apply today!](#)

September 15: Brag & Borrow

Come along to CTN's monthly gathering of community technology advocates to share your digital inclusion programs and discuss challenges. The next meeting will be held at BAVC at 9:00 a.m. on September 15. [RSVP here for this event.](#)

Community Technology Network

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