May 2019

May is Older Americans Awareness Month

May is Older Americans Month — designated by the Administration for Community Living under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The City of Oakland has been hosting events to celebrate the vibrancy of older adults and to showcase a range of organizations serving that population. Read about CTN’s participation and how you can celebrate on the CTN blog.

Bring your own Device Day with Adobe @ Northloop

Residents from Family Eldercare’s Northloop Apartments joined Adobe volunteers to receive digital skills training for a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) day. Adobe recently partnered with CTN to offer quarterly Tech Teach-In (TTI) opportunities for adult learners in locations around central Texas. Read about the event on the CTN blog.

Public Housing Digital Inclusion Footprint

Local communities continue to search for ways to tackle the digital divide and in San Francisco, the city is making strides by working with a local Internet access company. The City by the Bay and ISP Monkeybrains have adopted a new
Learner Spotlight: Sherry Lee

Sherry Lee has been coming to the open lab hours at the OMI Senior Center, managed by Catholic Charities, in San Francisco since 2017. She comes to the lab almost every time there is a tablet/iPad class or for a drop-in refresher class. Read more about Sherry on the CTN blog.

Volunteer Spotlight: MJ Isabell

MJ Isabell is one of the third-year participants in Curry Senior Center’s Wellness Program, Senior Vitality. This class enables clients to better manage their health and well-being through in-home internet access, technology training, and health coaching. Along with receiving an iPad and Fitbit watch to monitor mobility, she has free reign to explore and install various apps of interest to support her digital independence. Read about how MJ started as a learner and became a trainer.

Childcare Providers Advancing Their Tech Skills

CTN staff member Sabrina Tam taught the Introduction to Spreadsheets class to home-based child care providers at the Children’s Council of San Francisco. The three-class series was offered in three different languages (English, Spanish, and Cantonese) from February to April. Read about Sabrina’s training experience on the CTN blog.
Each year since 2015 CTN celebrates champions of digital inclusion, recognizing incredible people who are doing amazing work to bridge the technology divide and raise levels of digital literacy within our city’s underserved communities. Our next event will be held on June 26 at Twitter’s San Francisco location.

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