

# COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY **network news**

*Transforming lives through digital literacy.*



## Raise a Glass to the Class of 2016!

Congratulations to all the participants of Ready, Set, Connect!, CTN's youth program which wrapped up a fourth successful year on June 2 with a graduation ceremony at Oakland City Hall. Together, 18 young people spent over 950 hours helping more than 700

people use the computers at Oakland's public libraries. They also worked on digital literacy projects of their own design and visited a range of tech companies to gain career inspiration. [Read more about this unique program and the graduation event.](#)



### Hello, Digital Inclusion Fellow!

CTN is delighted to welcome a new team member, Samantha Akwei, who is

an NTEN Digital Fellow. Samantha began the fellowship in June and will work with CTN for one year to develop digital literacy programs and ways to measure their impact. [Find out more about the NTEN program and Samantha's role.](#)



### “Startups Give Back” Helps Seniors in San Francisco

On June 24, volunteers from local startups joined CTN for

a Tech Teach-In at Next Village SF. Seniors brought their laptops and personal devices and received invaluable help learning how to use them. [Find out more about the Startups Give Back initiative and the Tech Teach-In.](#)



### 5 Tech Tips for Teaching Non-English Speakers

Teaching basic computer skills can be especially challenging if

the tutor and learner speak different languages. Find out how some of our volunteers are meeting this challenge with our [handy list of tech techniques.](#)



### Honoring the Heroes of Digital Inclusion: Digital Leaders Awards 2016!

CTN held the very first

Digital Leaders Awards at Twitter HQ on June 16, a wonderful evening that celebrated the achievements of our five amazing awardees. We were joined by special guests Mark Farrell (SF Board of Supervisors) and Sunne McPeak (California Emerging Technology Fund). [Read more about this great event](#) and, if you want to join the organizing team for next year's awards, contact [digitalleaders@ctnbayarea.org](mailto:digitalleaders@ctnbayarea.org)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## July 21: 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 the San Francisco Public Library at 9:00 a.m. [RSVP here for this event.](#)

## July 26 & 28:Tech Teach-In

CTN is partnering with Quantcast to offer two Tech Teach-In sessions for seniors at the Downtown Senior Center. Quantcast employee volunteers will work one on one with seniors to help them understand how to use the internet.

## July 26: Volunteer Refresh

Active CTN volunteers will shortly be receiving an invitation to attend the monthly get together.

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