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Top Stories of 2017

NEWS

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Charlotte's broadband deserts reflect a familiar pattern [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]

If you live or work in Charlotte, there's a distinct possibility your broadband access is less than satisfactory. But you have options. A familiar wedge-and-crescent pattern of economic inequality also applies to broadband internet connections, slowing down access to development and educational opportunities in wide swaths of the city.

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NC CIO: Charlotte leads in digital inclusion [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]

Charlotte leads the state in digital inclusion programs. How can it help other communities? A discussion with Eric Boyette, secretary of the State of North Carolina's Department of Information Technology, reveals that Charlotte is a leading force for digital inclusion in the state. Boyette says the city's work serves as an example for other communities.

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Net neutrality – what is it, why is it important, and what can I do about it? [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]

Need more information about net neutrality, what it is, and how to explain it to others? Use this guide to help learn and understand net neutrality. Ready to take action but are still unsure of what to say? Also included is the contact information for the FCC commissioners, Congress officials, and helpful talking points.

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community [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]

Students from Queens' James L. Knight School of Communication are collaborating for the first time with Google Fiber on a service initiative designed to strengthen digital inclusion in Charlotte. Called the Community Leaders Program, it marks the first time the company has integrated the national initiative with a university course.

Bonus Story

Need to teach digital skills? Digital Charlotte can help. [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]

Many non-profit organizations support people who need to learn new online skills, but lack the classroom technology to help them. Digital Charlotte is making a new portable technology laboratory available for these groups. After a non-profit organization partners with Digital Charlotte and completes training and certification, it can then check out and transport the lab to events in the community.

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