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Grant from AT&T Supports Expansion of Tech Goes Home Digital Equity Work in Boston

BOSTON, June 27 – [Tech Goes Home](#) (TGH), a non-profit working to address digital inequity, is expanding its work in Boston with the support of a \$100,000 grant from [AT&T](#), enabling TGH to provide more individuals and families with high-quality digital devices, reliable internet, and digital skills training.

“We are incredibly grateful for AT&T’s impactful support,” said TGH Chief Advocacy Officer Marvin Venay. “Lack of access to the internet, digital devices, and culturally-responsive skills training continues to prevent thousands of people in Boston from participating in the digital world. Through TGH’s programming, students, workers, seniors, and other community members can gain access to the tools and skills they need to participate in school, find and keep employment, connect with loved ones and more. The unmet need for these resources in Boston remains significant, and AT&T’s investment ensures that TGH is able to reach more individuals and families in need.”

TGH works with a diverse network of community-based organizations and instructors to reach learners in Boston and across Eastern Massachusetts. Antonio Lobo is a TGH Board Member and leads courses in East Boston and Jamaica Plain. “I have personally trained around 1000 individuals from different walks of life,” he said. “TGH training and devices have proven to be a launcher and a platform that has enhanced and made significant and palpable gains in the quality of life of those who have participated in the program; learners gained skills that allowed them to improve their lives, from promotions in their jobs to attending higher education institutions.”

“Everyone deserves the power to use technology with confidence. Our ongoing collaboration with Tech Goes Home is helping Boston students of all ages gain the knowledge and tools necessary to harness the digital world’s extraordinary potential,” said Patricia Jacobs, President – AT&T Northern Region. “We’re grateful to Tech Goes Home and Mayor Wu for their leadership, commitment, and creative approach to addressing the digital divide. Now more than ever, it is critical to ensure the right resources are getting into the right hands, and we are honored to play a role in TGH’s efforts in Boston and across Massachusetts.”

Since TGH was founded in 2000, more than 50,000 people have graduated from a TGH course. Led by trusted community instructors, TGH courses are tailored to the specific needs of learners and provide a total of 15 hours of relevant digital skills training, as well as a laptop or tablet and up to one year of reliable internet service. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, TGH worked with instructors and partner organizations to make many of its courses fully virtual, making strides towards meeting the evolving demand in Boston and beyond. Support from corporate sponsors like AT&T is critical to continuing to close the gap on unmet need and equip more people with the tools and support to participate in the digital world.

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About TGH

Tech Goes Home is a nonprofit dedicated to addressing the digital inequities that pose a significant barrier to opportunity and success for thousands of students, workers, and families in Greater Boston and beyond. Working in partnership with schools, healthcare providers, and community organizations, Tech Goes Home provides curated support - including access to digital devices, network connectivity, and robust training in how to utilize digital resources - to help individuals and families pursue economic mobility, support academic achievement, access critical resources, and engage with their community and loved ones. You can learn more about Tech Goes Home's work, and ways to become involved, at techgoeshome.org.