NEWS

1. How Village Network serves the digital needs of seniors [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]

Charlotte Village Network is a non-profit organization that helps senior citizens age in place — and digital tools are a key component for providing access to services.

2. North Carolina seeks to close broadband gaps through crowdsourcing portal [STATETECH MAGAZINE]

This is the idea behind a new reporting tool launched by North Carolina's Broadband Infrastructure Office. The online user-reporting tool aims to help “identify the pockets of unserved and underserved areas around the state,” according to the tool's website.

3. Net neutrality is dying with a whimper [VOX]

Following an internet-wide day of protest on July 12, many activists are claiming a victory in the fight to preserve net neutrality against a proposed complete regulatory repeal by the Federal Communications Commission. But was it really a victory? Cynics abound — and the likelihood that the protest made a real impact is low.

To close digital divide, Microsoft to harness unused
The software company announced on July 11th plans to roll out a “white spaces” broadband service to connect rural Americans to high-speed internet.

**CALENDAR**

- **August 3** - Charlotte Mecklenburg Library: Internet Basics for Kids
- **August 5** - E2D: Laptop Surplus Sale
- **August 7** - Goodwill University: Computer Basics (ALTERNATING MONDAYS)
- **August 9** - Digi.City Connects: Charlotte Roundtable

**RESOURCES**

**TUTORIAL: Make and Send a Snap on Snapchat**

**STAKEHOLDER SNAPSHOT**

In our Stakeholder Snapshot, we highlight the educators, trainers, and practitioners working to close the gap in the digital divide in Charlotte.

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