



## ISSUE #35



### STORIES

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#### **What Charlotte may not understand about suburban poverty\_ [DIGITAL CHARLOTTE]**

Pineville is an example of a suburban city in which poverty often goes unseen. Digital tools can help create a solution. There is no local access to community services for people who live in Pineville. They have to come to uptown Charlotte to get any financial help — and there are so many barriers to be doing that.

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#### **Senator Murray introduces Digital Equity Act of 2019 [NATIONAL DIGITAL INCLUSION ALLIANCE]**

In a major development for community digital inclusion advocates, U.S. Senator Patty Murray (D-WA) today introduced the “[Digital Equity Act](#)” which would authorize more than \$1 billion in Federal grant funding over the next five years to support digital inclusion programs throughout U.S. states and territories

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#### **Digital Equity Act Would Provide \$250M Annually to Address Digital Divide [EDSURGE]**

Proponents of digital learning, as well as those committed to closing the nation's “homework gap,” rejoiced on Thursday when the U.S. Senate introduced a bill that would invest hundreds of millions of dollars to expand broadband access in communities that currently lack it.

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#### **Old, Online, And Fed On Lies: How An Aging Population Will Reshape The Internet [BUZZFEED NEWS]**

It's late morning and roughly 25 senior citizens are learning how to talk to Siri. They pick up their iPads and press the home button, and pings echo around the room as Siri asks what she can do to help. “Siri, what's the closest coffee shop?” one woman asks. “Sorry I'm having trouble with the connection, please try again?” Siri says.



# COMMUNITY



STAKEHOLDER VIDEO: Meet Jane Shutt - Executive Director of Pineville Neighbors Place.



RELEASE: Digital Inclusion Week: October 7-11, 2019

[NATIONAL DIGITAL INCLUSION ALLIANCE]



## CALENDAR

- **May 3** - Urban League of Central Carolinas: Technical Assistance Fridays
- **May 6** - Tyvola Senior Center: Computer Basics Class – Resume & Cover Letter
- **May 8** - Charlotte Mecklenburg Library: Coding 101: HTML, CSS, & JS
- **May 10** - Camp North End: END-to-END: A Confluence of Innovation



*Have a question, upcoming event, stakeholder suggestion, or resources to share?  
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