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## Tech Goes Home Awarded \$260,000 Grant From Capital One to Support Digital Inclusion Programming and New Community Fellowship

BOSTON, April 25, 2024 -- Tech Goes Home (TGH), a leading Massachusetts nonprofit committed to closing the digital divide, announced today that it was awarded a \$260,000 grant from Capital One. The grant will allow TGH to expand digital inclusion programming to thousands of new learners across the Commonwealth and support TGH's newly launched Advocacy Community Fellowship Program.

"We are grateful for Capital One's generous and ongoing support for Tech Goes Home's work," said Dan Noyes, CEO of Tech Goes Home. "Not only will this award help thousands of people gain the digital skills and resources they need to thrive, but it will also help support our efforts to center the voices and experiences of community members through our Advocacy Community Fellowship Program. With Capital One's partnerships, we look forward to working with the first cohort of Fellows to enhance our work and ensure that the communities we serve are better reflected in critical policy and funding decisions related to digital inclusion in Massachusetts."

"We are proud to support Tech Goes Home and excited about the launch of their new Advocacy Community Fellowship Program to advance digital inclusion efforts in Massachusetts," said Dane Moist at Capital One. "Capital One is committed to bridging the digital divide through innovative programs and partnerships with organizations like Tech Goes Home."

Across Massachusetts, TGH works hand-in-hand with its community partners—like schools, libraries, and nonprofits—and a network of local instructors to provide thousands of learners every year with a laptop or tablet, reliable internet access, and 15 hours of digital skills training. The grant from Capital One will allow TGH to expand its proven digital inclusion programming to 6,000 additional learners across Suffolk, Norfolk, Plymouth, Middlesex, and Essex Counties.

Announced in March, the <u>TGH Advocacy Community Fellowship</u> is a two-year program that brings together 10 participants, including instructors who have led TGH courses in their communities, graduates who have participated in a TGH course, and other members of the TGH community. Fellows will participate in monthly training, capacity-building, and networking sessions and contribute to TGH's burgeoning advocacy work through testimony, media engagement, coalition building, and more.



**About Tech Goes Home:** 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 across Massachusetts. 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.

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