Hack for LA Website (HackforLA.org)

The HackforLA.org website's purpose is to connect volunteers with projects, Code for America and Hack for LA's shared mission and let external stakeholders know that we are producing valuable projects with tangible impact. The website is also the place that new developers often start, moving on to more complex projects after they have mastered docker, git, github and working collaboratively on a multidisciplinary team.

COVID-accelerated Development

COVID-19 safer at home policies created urgency to move all the teams to fully remote, and redesign the onboarding methodology from in person, being driven by meetup, to online driven by a variety of new recruiting sources.

- Launch of a step-by-step getting started guide
- Creation of an online team meeting schedule and API integration with VRMS to make the information updateable by project managers.
- Launch project filtering by skill, language, topic area, etc.
- Created wiki that details all aspects of hackforla.org website code for new developers

Ongoing improvements over the past year:

- Integration of our Google Data Studio analytics dashboard into the website, for transparency for all members
- Github API integration to display project languages alongside static project information including
- Create wins page, to encourage the capturing and celebrating of new jobs, promotions, skills learned, etc.
- Redesign of mobile version of site
- Refine collection & analytics reporting
- Launch Events page with detailed meeting times.

Pages launching soon

- **About Us** - Helpful information about our goals, roadmap and north star
- **Communities of practice** - Provide users information regarding different communities (UI, Data, Eng, PM, etc). Helpful for users to connect with specific groups.
- **Guide Section -** Guides and Templates that provide examples from HfLA projects.
- **Join Us -** Lets users know various ways they can join our cause and contribute.
- **Program Areas -** Projects grouped under various social and civic efforts to better help users pick their project based on their choice of political engagement field.
- **Volunteer Opportunity Matching Tool-** Available roles users can volunteer for
- **Site Map**