



Data Checkpoint & Tech Help Open Desk

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What Should I Ask at the Open Desk?

The Data and Tech team have resources for teams on public data, access to In-Kind resources and connection to tech mentors. This document provides links to some of the most commonly distributed resources by the team, but don't hesitate to stop by or reach out on Slack.

What is Go Code Colorado?

Go Code Colorado is about the use of public data coming together with the coding and entrepreneurial community. Both have at their core, the essence of shared knowledge and openness to collaboration with the common goal of producing something awesome. Check out gocode.co for more information!

Where can I find data?

20 state agencies and local municipalities have worked with our team to make over 275 datasets available for Go Code and in support of research and data driven decisions, all curated together in one place data.colorado.gov: the Colorado Information Marketplace. There is also a huge number of other public data assets on the Colorado Information Marketplace that the Go Code data team does not maintain, as well as many other public resources that can be used. Reach out to the data team on Slack via the [#data](#) channel for help finding what you need! Some of our freshest data can be explored on our [Current Datasets](#) page. There's also some links to other data portals on the Additional Resources page.

What are the goals of the events?

Kickoff

One evening in both Grand Junction (2-20) and Denver (2-27) that could be dubbed as a rally for the competition and the use of public data. The data team will be on hand to answer high level questions, and will try to get into the weeds with deeper questions as time allows.

Challenge Day

One full day in both Grand Junction (3-23) and Denver (3-30) designated to getting Teams up and running and ready to compete. The schedule for Challenge Days begins at 8am with opening presentations, and from 9-noon Teams work through conference style sessions to get ramped up on 'how to compete', 'how to make a video for semi-finals', and setup their tech environment. During this time Teams are also asked to form up and articulate their idea through the use of one Team on many mentor 'idea vetting' sessions. Lunch is used for Team registration and stolen moments of relaxation. After lunch, Teams have one last session opportunity to ready themselves for the 2-4pm session of agile project building based around their idea. Dinner is followed by team work time and 1:1 mentor opportunities. Doors close at 8pm.

How does submission work this year?

There are 2 parts: a semi-final submission that will get the unlimited number of teams down to 12: 3 teams from each track and each region, and a final submission that will announce 2 winners from each track across all regions.

Semi-Final Submission

Teams submit their Semi-Final materials as content to their GitHub repositories, along with a corresponding video of their powerpoint slides with audio narration. When all entries are submitted, Judges will be given one week (4/23 to 5/2) with the Team's materials, and their videos to review the content, before convening at the Semi-Final Judges Lunch and Worksession to validate their scores in preparation for announcing 12 Finalist Teams (5/3).

Final Submission

The Finalist Teams have 2 weeks to update and review their repositories (5/20) and 4 weeks to prepare for the live competition at the Final Event (5/30). The Finalist Judges will have access to the Team's submission in their GitHub repository and their Semi-Final video ppt narration for the duration of ten calendar days (5/21 to 5/30) prior to the Final Event on May 30. The 6 Finalist Teams in the Analytics Track will begin early in the day with the Judges viewing Finalists' 5 minute demo on tabletop monitors from 3-4pm. Analytics Track judging will be completed

following this Judges session, but Analytics Track Winners will be announced at 9pm with Product Track Winners. At 5:00pm the doors open to the community, and finalist teams will showcase their demos. At 6:30 the formal program will begin. The 6 Finalist Teams in the Product Track will present their product by pitching to the Judges and the community. Product Track Finalists will give their pitches until 8:00. The Judges deliberate and announce the Winners at 8:30pm.