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What We've Done ...

- Developed basic web pages
- Learned how to publish our content using GitHub
- Developed basic interactive maps based on the Google Maps API and OpenLayers
- Learned about the key data visualization and data access standards from the Open Geospatial Consortium
 - WMS, WFS, WCS
- Used those visualization and data access services in desktop GIS applications
- Published data using those standards, and done basic styling of those data

Whew!!! That's a bunch of work for 16 weeks. Good Job.

Where Do You Go From Here?

- Establish your own identity on the internet by getting your own domain name (e.g. [Hover.com](#), [GoDaddy](#) and many others)
- Build your personal web site focusing on what interests you (published through GitHub or any other web hosting provider)
- Continue experimenting with interactive mapping - using the Google Maps API, OpenLayers or another framework that interests you. Some additional candidates include:
 - The ArcGIS [Javascript API](#)
 - [Leaflet](#) Javascript Framework
 - The new version of OpenLayers ([3.0](#)) when it eventually becomes available
- Publish your own data (you will need a server e.g. [Amazon EC2](#), [Cari.net](#), [MapServerPro](#), [AcuGIS](#), [Geocortex](#)) using GeoServer or another platform like:
 - [MapServer](#)
 - [ArcGIS Server](#)
 - [ArcGIS Online](#)