

CODE *for*
AMERICA

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What is Code for America?

Code for America is a new kind of public service that helps cities innovate.

The Program

Fellowship

26 Fellows, 8 Cities

Accelerator

Civic Startups Are Taking Off

Brigade

The civic hacker army!

Build locally; Scale nationally

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5 weeks:

- Listen to Everyone,
- Gather Ideas,
- Generate Interest,
- Participate in Events

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Goals

Hearing all voices

Open Data; Open Source

Government as a Platform

Building a Civic Tech Community

Hearing all voices

There's more than one Austin

Everyone is a resource

People, not politics

Lean & Agile Methodology

Individuals & Interactions first

Working software, not

comprehensive documentation

Responding to change more than
following a plan

Open Data; Open Source

- Open data
- The rocket fuel for innovation
- More than just transparency
- Positive feedback loops
- Open source
- Free as in freedom, not “free beer”
- Open source your software, not your time
- “Many eyes make all bugs shallow”
- Service, not product procurement
- A Civic Tech Community
- Help citizens help each other
- A Culture of Innovation
- Putting it all together

2011 Examples

- Adopt-a-Hydrant
- Open311 Dashboard
- DiscoverBPS
- Mural App
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