

# How can a software company support developer community?

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I'm just preparing a local Java User Group meeting to take place in a meeting room provided by my employer so that is how this question came up...

I know that some companies sponsor conferences, some hire open source developers etc. However, are there any other ways in which a software company can support its (local) developer community?

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- 1 @Qix this is *far* too old for Programmers.SE migration. It is also *far* too broad of a question for it to be acceptable on the site now. Please read [What goes on Programmers.SE? A guide for Stack Overflow](#) to get a better idea of the expectations for questions on Programmers.SE.  
– user289086 Apr 2, 2015 at 23:51
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@MichaelT `FFR` = *for future reference*. Wasn't suggesting a migration. – [Qix - MONICA WAS MISTREATED](#) Apr 2, 2015 at 23:52

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- 1 @Qix and it would be a poor question there that would have gotten closed quite quickly for being too broad of a question by today's standards. – user289086 Apr 2, 2015 at 23:52
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@MichaelT this could easily fit under `software engineering management` and even maybe `development methodologies and processes`.  
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- 1 I'm voting to close this question as off-topic because it is not about programming. – [Raedwald](#) Apr 3, 2015 at 7:41
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Offering up your employer's meeting room and taking the time to organize your user group sounds like a good start to me. The user groups I've attended get consulting companies and recruiters to sponsor meetings with free pizza and raffle prizes in return for a few minutes to pitch attendees at the start of each meeting. Beyond that, get creative. Start a website with a forum, invite speakers to talk about new tech, etc.



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