About Code for America

Code for America is a non-partisan, non-political 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2009 to address the widening gap between the public and private sectors in their effective use of technology and design. The organization began by enlisting technology and design professionals to work with city governments in the United States in order to build open-source applications and promote openness, participation, and efficiency in government, and has grown into a cross-sector network of practitioners of civic innovation and a platform for local civic technology solutions.

About Code for Tulsa

The community of developers that makes up Code for Tulsa has been building civic apps since 2011. We became an official Code for America Brigade in late 2012, and hosted a local National Day of Civic Hacking + Hack for Change event in June of 2013, leading to the Open Search Map project with FEMA and to Scott Phillips being recognized as a White House Champion of Change. Since then we've collaborated with the City of Tulsa create an open data policy, and we've been working with community organizations to realize the potential of open data, and data-driven decision-making at the level of local government.

Projects & Collaboration

We've worked with Tulsa Transit, the Tulsa Fire Department, the Tulsa Library, the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma, the regional planning authority (INCOG), and FEMA. Last year, we were able to assist Taylor Hanson's Food on the Move initiative, aimed at relieving Tulsa's food deserts. This year we're working with the City of Tulsa Streets & Stormwater Department on a citizen-led water quality initiative for the Crow Creed watershed. We are also working to improve and publicize our SNAP project, based on open source code from CfA fellows' work with CalFresh.

The Washington Post described **Code for America** as *"the technology world's equivalent of the Peace Corps or Teach for America."* The article goes on to say, *"They bring fresh blood to the solution process, deliver agile coding and software development skills, and frequently offer new perspectives on the latest technology — something that is often sorely lacking from municipal government IT programs. This is a win-win for cities that need help and for technologists that want to give back and contribute to lower government costs and the delivery of improved government service."*

Leadership

John Dungan – co-captain
John Dungan is a programing / development director at ARNIC, a company which creates software and information systems services for the aviation industry. John has been the lead programmer behind many of Code for Tulsa's map-based projects, and has started a Maptime group here in Tulsa.

Carlos Moreno – co-captain.
Carlos Moreno is the graphic designer at CAP Tulsa, the largest anti-poverty agency in Oklahoma and a national leader in early childhood education. He was selected by national urban-affairs magazine NextCity as part of its 2014 Vanguard Class.

Luke Crouch – community organizer

Jeremy Satterfield – delivery lead

Meg Sutherland – storyteller

Kersten Anderson – storyteller

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