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**Although Free Software advocates agree** that free software operating systems improve the state of the art by fostering competition, ReactOS has practical benefit for others, too; ReactOS is the most complete working model of a Windows® like operating system available. Consequently, working programmers will learn a great deal by studying ReactOS source code and even participating in ReactOS development.

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**In short, ReactOS is aiming to run your applications** and use your hardware! Finally, a FOSS operating system for everyone!

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**Website** You can find more information (including how to get involved and how to obtain the software) on our website, <http://www.reactos.org>

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