The HCA Foundation is excited to introduce **Hack for the Community**, a 36-hour event facilitating Nashville's best project managers, visual designers and software developers to help non-profits making a big difference in Middle Tennessee do it better.

March 7 & 8, 2014
8:00 AM Friday thru
8:30 PM Saturday.

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9 Lea Avenue
Nashville, TN 37210

▸ Participating **HCA**, **IT&S**, and **Parallon** employees will receive an extra paid holiday to attend Friday, March 7th.

▸ Any technology stack welcome — .NET, Java, Ruby, Python, PHP, Node.js, Erlang, Scala, Objective C...

▸ Food and drinks provided. Stay all night or sleep at home.

▸ Bring your own idea or contribute to an idea submitted by a local non-profit.

Submit an idea. Join a team. Make a difference.

http://www.hackforthecommunity.com/

Register today! The event is free and space is limited.

Frequently Asked Questions

How does Hack for the Community relate to The HCA Foundations' ongoing commitment to the community?

The HCA Foundation works in partnership with our employees to support non-profit organizations striving for stronger, healthier communities. In support of our efforts to promote and encourage year round giving and volunteering and to provide high impact opportunities for our colleagues to use their skills, we are seeking volunteers for an exciting event that the HCA Foundation is sponsoring called Hack for the Community. Hack for the Community volunteers will work collaboratively with local agencies to develop innovative applications and software based solutions.

What is a hackathon?

Started in Silicon Valley in 1999 to foster growth in the software development community, hackathons bring together software developers from all different industries to work on projects which center around specific themes. The goal is to develop creative solutions to invent new products or improve existing products. Much of the Twitter and Facebook functionality is the result of hackathon formatted events.

How does a hackathon work?

A hackathon is typically a 24-48 hour event where different groups present problems they are trying to solve. Attendees choose what they want to work on based on the presentations. Small groups form together to develop a specific product(s) inside the time box of the event. The event culminates in a closing ceremony where attendees present what has been created.

What will the environment be like?

The objective is to create a fun, collaborative environment where volunteers enjoy the process of giving back. Other hackathons have emerged in Nashville and we seek to reflect a similar approach and spirit. An overview video of Hack Nashville can be seen at http://vimeo.com/48040529.