

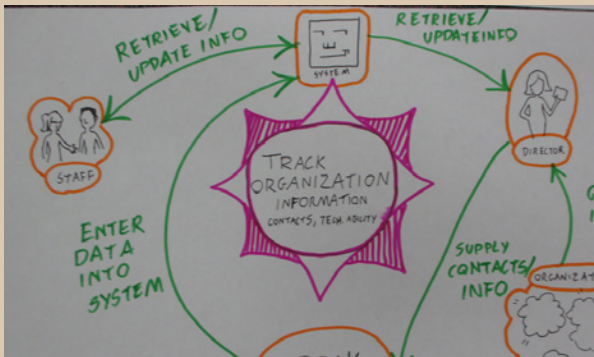


What we do

Aspiration connects nonprofit organizations, foundations and activists with software solutions and technology skills that help them better carry out their missions.

We want those working for social justice to be able to find and use the best software available, so that they maximize their effectiveness and impact and, in turn, change the world.

Aspiration helps organizations use open source technology to save time and money. We can help you create strategies and processes, sharing best practices and processes we have co-developed with hundreds of nonprofits over the past eight years to effectively guide and inform technology use.



Interested in helping?

We are always looking for hosts and facilitators for our events.

Aspiration event facilitators lead discussions and steer the course of dialogue and discovery. They are volunteers who have experience and perspective on specific tech subjects and lead dialogues in groups of eight to ten people.

Depending on the technology infrastructure of an event, there may also be roles for technical support personnel.



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*Using Technology to
Make a Difference*



Our Services

Strategic assessment and advising

We can help you map your organization's strengths and needs, and find appropriate solutions while honoring your organization's culture and values.

Technology co-design and mentoring

We can help your organization identify the software and web deliverables you need in language that is accessible to all its stakeholders

RFP ("Request for Proposal") coaching

We mentor organizations on how to draft essential project documents that specify the technology, deliverables, and best business practices they can use.

Proposal reviews and price checks

We help organizations read the fine print, unpack the jargon, and get a fair deal on all tech services.

Decision support and advice

We can help you know the important questions to ask before you sign a tech contract, adopt a tech solution, or pay a tech invoice.

Technology divorce and relationship counseling

When the human parts of tech get tough, we can advise and facilitate productive, respectful dialogue and resolve differences between stakeholders.

Brainstorming and referrals

We are always happy to pick up the phone, listen and give our best opinion on the full range of nonprofit technology issues and options. And when we don't know enough to be useful, we can usually connect you with someone who does.

NP Tech Career Advice

For folks interested in applying their technology skills to nonprofit causes, we are always glad to offer suggestions on appropriate, well-defined, realistic ways to move nonprofit tech careers forward, and make introductions and connections where appropriate.



Aspiration Events

Over the past ten years, we have convened and organized almost 300 interactive events in over 40 countries across the globe. Our study sessions involve everyone in the learning process and make it easy to ask questions and receive feedback. We model our events to reflect the diverse and network-oriented nature of the communities we serve.

Aspiration events are first and foremost designed to strengthen the ties and social networks of people who use technology in the non-profit/non-governmental sectors.

Participants meet in small groups where they can discuss topics they are passionate about and get answers to their questions about technology. Smaller groups enable more focused learning and provide ample opportunity for each participant to give their perspective.

Our goal is to build peoples' capacity to write better software to empower social change organizations.

We are delighted to discuss event ideas and needs, and to see how we can collaborate to create unique, capacity-building events with you.



Upcoming Events



Online Advocacy & Community Building Workshop

Thursday, May 15, 2014

10:00am - 4:00pm

Mercado La Paloma

Los Angeles, California

2014 Nonprofit Software Development Summit

November 19-21, 2014

Preservation Park

Oakland, California

California Nonprofit Technology Festival

Richmond California, TBD

California Nonprofit Technology Festival Los Angeles

Moseley Salvatori
Conference Center
637 S. Lucas Street
LA, CA 90017

April 3 - 4, 2014

#CATechFest



- Improve the effectiveness of your online communications
- Learn from peers how to save time & money on tech projects
- Join the emerging network of tech & nonprofit leaders in CA!



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Aspiration technology festivals bring together nonprofit staff and social justice activists who have a passion for technology as an instrument of social change. The overall goal of these events are to build communities around technology for social justice causes across California and serve as a model for similar efforts worldwide.

Although focused on technology, these events emphasize the human element through small group dialogues with experienced advisors. Each session focuses on a particular open source technology, and participants learn to use technology in ways that are consistent with the values and spirit of those working for a more just, equitable and just world.



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