GRANTS & AWARDS
Community Grants

CHILDREN’S FUTURE TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY
Melissa Theesen, Global Member, Cambodia
Children’s Future’s mission is to break the cycle of poverty in Cambodia by providing the country’s poorest and most vulnerable children the opportunity to become educated, self-reliant, and compassionate individuals. The Technology Academy offers enrichment activities that include introduction to technology and the Internet to help students take advantage of growing Cambodian ICT progress.

E-COMMERCE CONTENT DEVELOPMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING OF INDIGENOUS PENANS COMMUNITY IN SARAWAK
Tariq Zaman, Global Member, Malaysia
This e-commerce project will help the community to develop and promote their handicrafts and homestays, and give the local people the skills to maintain the e-commerce website themselves. Ultimately, the project aims to generate new employment and reduce the number of young people leaving these remote areas through the creation of social and economic opportunities.

THE MOBILE SOLAR COMPUTER CLASSROOM
Asia Kamukama, Global Member, Uganda
The project is designed to address the problem of limited hands-on computer training in Ugandan schools and communities, and the lack of access to relevant information, by maximizing scarce resources through the use of solar power and providing reliable, efficient computers and Internet access to schools and community libraries.

TIFLOLIBROS: DIGITAL LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND – ACCESS POINTS TO READING FOR PERSONS WITH VISUAL DISABILITIES
Pablo Lecuona, Global Member, Argentina
Tiflolibros is the first digital library for Spanish-speaking visually impaired people, accessible worldwide for free over the Internet using computers or mobile devices adapted with screen reader programmes.

CYBER-SOS i2C3 (INTERNATIONAL INTERNET COMMUNITY COOPERATION IN CYBERATTACKS)
Miroslaw Maj, Global Member, Eastern Europe
The project will design and test a Cooperation Model in which Internet communities can help each other internationally in case of cyber attacks (e.g. DDoS). It will analyze known massive cyber attacks and study what could be done when international solidarity and a willingness to help your colleagues in other countries is effective and coordinated.

INTERNET ACCESS FOR RURAL AND UNDERDEVELOPED COMMUNITIES IN GUERRERO STATE, MEXICO
Luis Martinez, Mexico Chapter
With the support and expertise of the Internet Society Mexico Chapter members and Mexican higher education institutions, the project will provide access to the Internet to a group of indigenous, rural, and underdeveloped communities in the Mexican state of Guerrero, near Acapulco.

RESPECT GIRLS ON INTERNET – COMMUNITY BASED CYBER HARASSMENT PROTECTION
Niranjan Meegammana, Global Member, Sri Lanka
Harassment of teenage girls on social networks, including extreme cases of self-harm, is a growing problem in Sri Lanka due to an increase in their use among teenagers. The project will create digital content in the local language to raise awareness about the problem, advocate for safe and respectful online discourse, and train youth.

CROWDSOURCE PRIVACY PLAN
Alexa Pitoulis, Global Member, Canada
OpenMedia will undertake a project to engage and inform Canadians about online privacy issues: to gain a better understanding of Canadians’ priorities and expectations when it comes to online privacy and to learn more about how Canadians want to see their privacy protected in an interconnected, digital age.

INTERNET GOVERNANCE IN PAKISTAN: DEVELOPING DRAFT LEGISLATION FOR A USER-BASED, SELF-REGULATORY MECHANISM FOR THE INTERNET
Sana Saleem, Global Member, Pakistan
The project aims to ensure that the Internet in Pakistan remains open and free of censorship by the state. The team will draft legislation that will be presented to policymakers to write into law.

NET NEUTRALITY IN LATIN AMERICA: A CHARACTERIZATION OF INTERNET ACCESS SERVICES OFFERED IN FIVE COUNTRIES
Pilar Saenz, Global Member, Colombia
Fundacion Karisma in Colombia will coordinate a study of net neutrality in at least five Latin American countries to understand exactly how or whether neutrality is maintained in the market regarding the local commercial offers by ISPs.

SMART COMMUNITIES WITH THE CIVIL SOCIETY APP
Vadim Georgienko, Global Member, Ukraine
The project team, in partnership with the Young Community foundation, aims to develop Ukrainian communities’ capacity by
removing barriers to the natural behavior of citizens in decision-making and implementation with the help of a mobile application.

COMMUNITY DRIVEN SELF ORGANIZED LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS
Bruno Barrera Yever, Global Member, Mexico
This project aims to bring Self Organized Learning Environments (SOLE) to six communities in poverty around Mexico City. Working with TECHO and the National Autonomous University of Mexico, the project team will provide Internet connectivity and computers to students in these communities, as well as a SOLE-centered MOOC designed to supplement the often-deficient formal education public schools provide.

“TUJIUNGE” UNISSONS NOUS POUR LA DISPONIBILISATION DE L’INFORMATION À LA COMMUNAUTÉ D’UVIRA
Delu Lusambya, Global Member, Democratic Republic of the Congo
This project involves the creation of a centre connected to the Internet for grouping, sharing and publication of information related to violence against women in the province of South Kivu, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

WOMEN EXPERTS IN COMPUTER MAINTENANCE AND INTERNET SECURITY
Sigrid Ortega, Global Member, Bolivia
Through several workshops and courses, the project targets young women in the junior and senior levels of six high schools in Oruro, Bolivia to learn computing, web-related technologies, and issues related to Internet security. The successful students will be granted a certificate as Trained Technician on Maintenance of Laptops, Internet Security and Computer Networks.

TRAINING ON COMPUTER USE AND INTERNET ACCESS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN VIETNAM
Ngo Thi Quynh Van, Global Member, Federated States of Micronesia
The Nghe An Public Library, a unit under the Department of Culture, Sports and Tourism, is the largest centre for information, education and entertainment of Nghe An province in Vietnam. The main objective of the project is to develop and enhance the Internet literacy skills of women in rural areas, teaching them to use computers and navigate Internet, delivered through several educational courses.

INTRODUCTION AND APPLICATIONS OF THE INTERNET FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS AT PCS
Patrick Blank, Global Member, Vietnam
In the Federated States of Micronesia, only 5% of the population has access to the Internet. This project will see wireless Internet access points installed in an elementary school in Pohnpei. Moreover, the teachers will also be trained in using the Internet, and in turn they will use these resources in their curriculum.

ABC FOR BANGLADESH
Monir Bhuiyan, Bangladesh Dhaka Chapter
The aim of this project is to support and foster collaborations between the academic and business communities in Bangladesh. This project will help to connect academics and business people with research and contacts in fields including e-commerce, e-governance, and e-health.

DEVELOPING LOCAL CONTENTS FOR BOULKASSOUMBOUGOU
Mamadou Diallo Iam, Mali Chapter
This initiative is the continuation of a successful project implemented in 2013 that connected a group of schools to the Internet. In this second phase the project will develop educational content in the Bambara language.

SOWETO WIRELESS
Jabulani Vilakazi, South Africa Gauteng Chapter
Access to the Internet is a significant enabler of economic growth and human development. This project will create a wireless network that will give free and low-cost access to rural township and remote areas.

ORIENT AND ROUSE THE BLIND WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (ORBIT)
Tilahun Wondimu, Global Member, Ethiopia
This project aims to empower individuals with visual impairment to use a computer, the Internet and other technologies effectively. Skill training will be provided at selected schools for students and at the resource and training centre, equipped with adaptive technologies, as well as a variety of services like internet connection, e-library, audio-books, Braille, and other general services.

YELEM E-COMMERCE
Ahmed Almarwani, Yemen Chapter
The project will be promoting e-commerce in Yemen and boosting the confidence of the Yemeni community in the Internet as a means of purchasing and selling products and services using available online resources.
THE 2014 INTERNET HALL OF FAME
The 2014 Internet Hall of Fame ceremony, held 8 April in Hong Kong, honored 24 people who designed and advanced the Internet as the global, world-changing platform and changed history through vision and determination. Internet Society President and CEO Kathy Brown commented, “We all benefit today from the contributions of these individuals who helped shape the global Internet. They fearlessly forged into uncharted territory with innovative ideas, groundbreaking technologies, and collaborative work to connect more people and countries to the Internet. We are delighted to honor these inspiring leaders for their foresight, creativity, dedication, and achievements.”

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JONATHAN B. POSTEL AWARD
The Internet Society presented the 2014 Jonathan B. Postel Service Award to Mahabir Pun for his key role in bringing the Internet to rural Nepal with the founding of the Nepal Wireless Networking Project. In 2002, Mr. Pun’s goal was to connect the people of only a few villages of Nepal by bringing the Internet to rural schools. He was faced with many obstacles, including the fact that many of the villages did not have roads, electricity, and phone lines, and had never seen computers. In spite of these difficulties, by 2013, Mr. Pun helped connect more than 175 remote villages in 15 districts of Nepal. Today, these communities are all benefiting from the Internet, with e-learning, e-healthcare, communication, and local e-commerce.

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APPLIED NETWORKING RESEARCH PRIZE AWARDS
The Applied Networking Research Prize (ANRP) recognizes the best new ideas in networking, and brings them to the IETF and IRTF especially in cases where they would not otherwise see much exposure or discussion. In 2014 the Internet Society awarded ANRPs to the following recipients:

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