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Internet Society San Francisco Bay Area Chapter



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CHAPTER 2025

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Agenda

- Board and Budget
- 2024 Retrospective
- 2025 Prospective



Fun Facts

About

Internet Society San Francisco Bay Area Chapter

- Founded
 - 2010 - [origin story](#)
- Logistics
 - <https://www.sfbayisoc.org/>
 - sfbayisoc@gmail.com
- Operate as 501(c)(3)
- Over 1,000 registered members

2025 Board and Budget

Board Members

- April Lat
- Caitlin Doyle - **communications**
- Fatema Kothari
- Gustavo Ortega - **treasurer**
- Daveed Benjamin
- Ronald Petty - **chair**
- David Issa - **vice-chair / secretary**
- Zach Tyler

~Budget (annual)~

<u>Operations</u>	
- \$ 4,225.00	
	CA Secretary of State ~ \$ 100.00
	USPS P.O. Box ~ \$ 225.00
	Comm. Platform (Zoom) ~ \$ 550.00
	Hosting and online presence ~ \$ 3,350.00
<u>Projects</u>	
	ALAS (pending award) - \$25,000.00
	GED - \$ 1,200.00
<u>Bank</u>	
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Balance (December, 2024): \$42,825.89

About The Board

April Lat



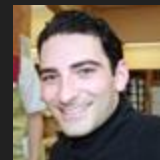
- Board Member ISOC SF
- Online Child Safety Expert Working Group ISOC
- Senior Manager, Innovation & Research @ Healthy Teen Network

Fatema Kothari



- Director, Technical Program Management
- Passion for gender parity in technology and playing an active role in furthering digital equity and inclusive economic opportunity

David Issa



- Vice-chair / secretary ISOC SF
- Technical executive in health
- Member SF Bay ACM
- Access, availability, usability

Daveed Benjamin



- Author of the Metaweb book
- Organizer of Meta-Layer Initiative
- Founder of BRC333 Protocol
- Co-founder of Library of Alexandria

Caitlin Doyle



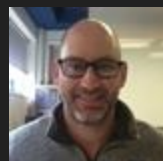
- Communications Chair ISOF SF Bay Area
- Technical & Compliance
- Program Manager Great Place To Work
- TechWomen Mentor
- Technovation Judge

Zach Tyler



- Contracts expert in complicated environments
- Community leader

Ronald Petty



- Chair ISOC SF & SF Bay ACM
- Co-lead of CN AI WG @ CNCF
- Principal Consultant @ RX-M
- Education and action focused

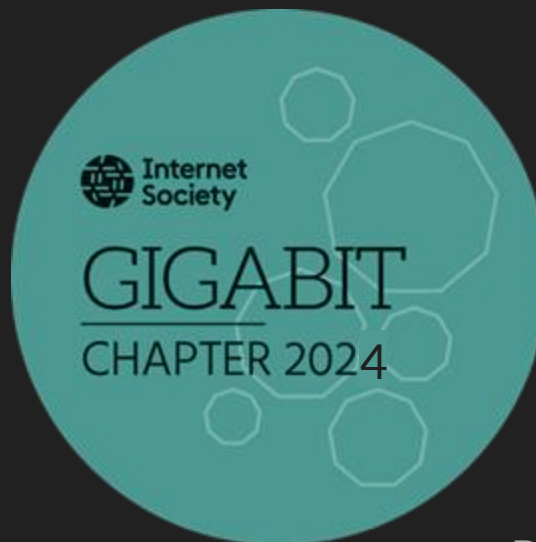
Gustavo Ortega



- Treasurer, SF Bay Area ISOC
- Board Member, SF Bay
- Area InfraGard
- NARALO, ICANN Fellow
- Computer Security Researcher (Toyota Corporation)

2024 Retrospective

- Chapter activities
 - White papers
 - 2025-2026 board election
 - Chapter standing actions
 - [Chapter formation](#)
- Global tasks
 - Creation of Internet Society Foundation
 - Migration to new AMS system
- Grant work
 - Beyond the Net
 - Global Encryption Day
 - Admin
- Events
 - [I50](#)
 - Volunteers (very busy ones)
 - [GEDSE](#)
 - Local facilitators
- Local and Global Partnerships
 - Internet Society (of course!!)
 - SF Bay ACM
 - People Centered Internet
 - Global Encryption Coalition



2025 Prospective

- Chapter activities
 - 2026-2027 board election
 - Chapter standing actions
- Global tasks
 - Creation of Internet Society Foundation
 - Migration to new AMS system
- Grant work
 - Beyond the Net
 - Global Encryption Day
 - Admin
 - .. Resiliency ..
- Events
 - [AIDaySF](#)
 - Local facilitators
 - [InternetDaySF](#)
 - Local facilitators
 - [GEDSF](#)
 - Local facilitators

- Local and Global Partnerships
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Challenges

Staying relevant
and staying active

- Covid (direct and indirect)
 - Drained the bay
 - Work from home
- Reduction of interest
 - ... in careers
 - ... in professional societies
- Artificial Intelligence
 - Work disruption
 - Safety of web
 - Discerning truth
- Unclear path to progress
 - .. to first win
 - .. to second win
 - .. to third win
- Improve marketing
 - Wifi Walks (visit each neighborhood / towns)
 - ISOC billboard!

Responding

Building on a strong base

- In-person events
 - Quarterly learn and thought leadership
 - Ad-hoc conference partnerships
 - Wifi Walks (meet the neighbors)
 - Avoid meetup competition
- Sponsorship (need in-person events)
- Marketing
 - Time for ISOC billboard
- Role based activities
 - From grant application to action
 - Providing swim lanes to help volunteers volunteer
- Dress up, details matter
 - Apex domain (technical)
 - Consistency (planning)
 - Be seen and be heard (active)

To protect the safety of children on the internet.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 2, 2023

Mr. Blumenthal (for himself, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Lujan, Mrs. Capito, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Cassidy, Ms. Klobuchar, Ms. Ernst, Mr. Peters, Mr. Daines, Mr. Rickenbacker, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Warner, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Coons, Mr. Young, Mr. Schatz, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Graham, Mr. Welch, Mr. Marshall, Ms. Hassan, Mrs. Hyde-Smith, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Mullin, Mr. Casey, Mr. Risch, Mr. Whitehouse, Mrs. Britt, Mr. Scott of Florida, Ms. Lummis, Mr. Cornyn, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Lankford, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Carper, Mr. Kaine, Mr. Cardin, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Thune, Ms. Warren, and Mr. Hawley) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

December 13, 2023

Reported by Ms. Cantwell, with an amendment
(Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*)

A BILL

To protect the safety of children on the internet.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

~~SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.~~

(a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the “Kids Online Safety Act”.

(b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

- ~~Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.~~
- ~~Sec. 2. Definitions.~~
- ~~Sec. 3. Duty of care.~~
- ~~Sec. 4. Safeguards for minors.~~
- ~~Sec. 5. Disclosure.~~
- ~~Sec. 6. Transparency.~~
- ~~Sec. 7. Independent research.~~
- ~~Sec. 8. Market research.~~
- ~~Sec. 9. Age verification study and report.~~
- ~~Sec. 10. Guidance.~~
- ~~Sec. 11. Enforcement.~~
- ~~Sec. 12. Kids online safety council.~~
- ~~Sec. 13. Effective date.~~
- ~~Sec. 14. Rules of construction and other matters.~~
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Defending the Internet!

S. 4569

INTERNET SAFETY FOR CHILDREN ACT

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Kids Online Safety Act”.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.—The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this Act:

(a) **CONTENT**.—The term “content” means any information, regardless of form or medium, that is transmitted, stored, or otherwise made available to a user of an information system, including text, images, audio, video, or any other form of data.

(b) **INFORMATION SYSTEM**.—The term “information system” means any system or network of systems that enables the transmission, storage, or retrieval of information, including a computer, server, or any other device or system that is used to store, process, or transmit data.

(c) **USER**.—The term “user” means any individual who uses an information system, including a child, and includes any individual who is using an information system on behalf of another individual.

(d) **CHILD**.—The term “child” means any individual who is under the age of 18 years.

(e) **MINOR**.—The term “minor” means any individual who is under the age of 18 years.

In the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

SAMANTHA ALAREO, et al.,
PLAINTIFFS-APPELLEES

and

TICTOK INC.,
CONSOLIDATED PLAINTIFF-APPELLEES

v.

AUSTIN KNUDSEN, in his official capacity as
Attorney General of the State of Montana,
DEFENDANT-APPELLANT

ON APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA (2:23-CV-61)
(THE HONORABLE DONALD W. MOLLOY)

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Conclusion

There is no conclusion,
we are just getting started!

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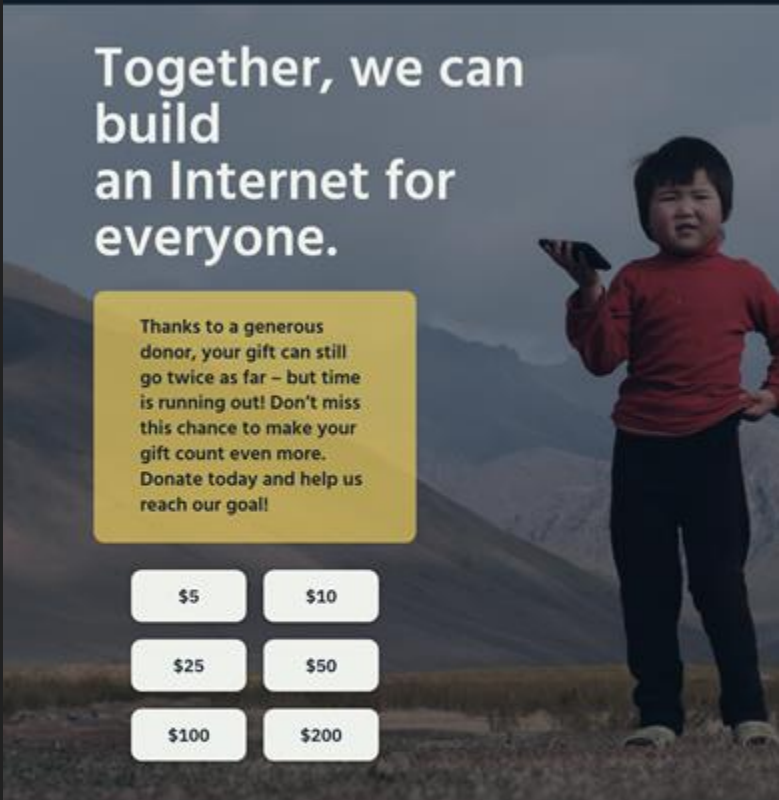
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