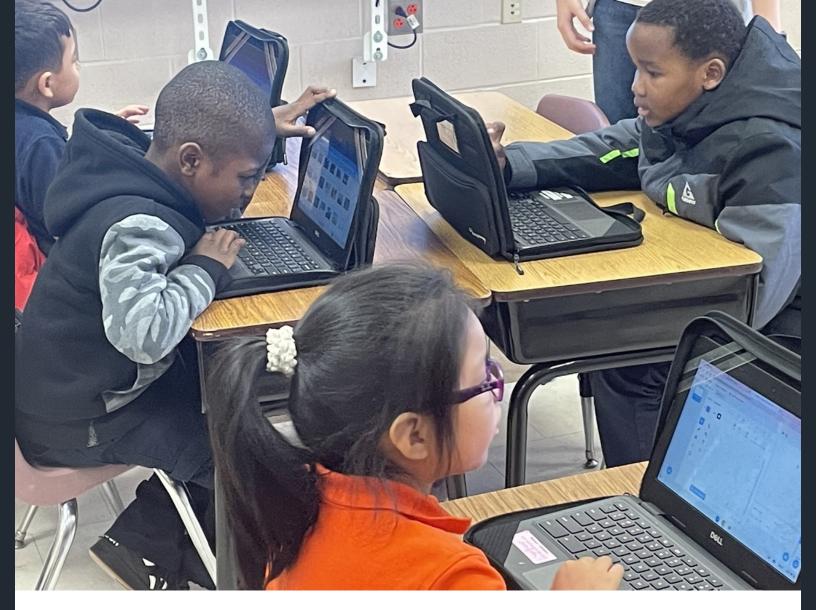# BCAUSEICAN NEWSLETTER WINTER 2023

Donor Campaign

BCAUSEICAN Needs Your Support

BCAUSEICAN experienced increased demand in 2023 for the BCAUSEICANCODE computer coding program and the Family Technology Workshop Bilingual Adult Technology training program.

In 2023, the programs were delivered to 16 schools in the Prince George's County Public School System, an increase of 25% from 2022. The BCAUSEICANCODE program was also conducted at the Shaw Community Center in Washington, DC. We had over 200 students participate in the BCAUSEICANCODE program and over 125 adults to participate in the Family Technology Workshop program. BCAUSEICANCODE is conducted after-school and we know there is an urgent need to provide meaningful and engaging out-of-school programs for young people to help reduce crime and violence among our youth.

The lack of digital skills has pocket-book implications for students and adults in underserved communities. BCAUSEICAN continues to address this disparity and needs your support to continue

our mission. Your tax deductible donation will allow us to reach and teach more students and adults in 2024. Please join us in changing the lives of the communities we serve.

"BCAUSEICAN, You Can, We Can"

Google Training Initiative

BCAUSEICAN collaborates with Mayor Katherine Dodro of New Carrollton to provide technology workshops for her community.

Najaira Gonzales conducted a Google Workspace session on October 29, enhancing Mayor Dodro's staff's digital skills and efficiency.

City Mayor & Comcast

We've partnered with the City of New Carrollton and Comcast, acquiring 10 Chromebooks on October 28 to support the Family Technology Workshop, empowering students with crucial digital skills.

On the Spotlight!

Hannah Zhang

Hannah is a Computer Science major and Business minor at Rice University in Houston, Texas. She first joined BCIC in June of 2020 as a volunteer. Since then, she has gone on to become a staff member and has built an internal staff site, spearheaded two external website redesigns, and continuously maintained both sites. Her favorite part about being the Website Manager at BCIC is

being able to use her creativity and technical knowledge to build tools that help all sorts of people inside and outside the organization!

Outside of BCIC, Hannah is a social-impact-driven Developer at RiceApps, where she collaborates with students to build web apps helping her community. And, she is a Data Analytics Consultant at Rice 180 Degrees Consulting, where she works with nonprofits to improve their data collection and automation processes. All in all, Hannah is especially passionate about using technology and scientific innovation to create meaningful solutions, and hopes to pursue a career in related work.

In her free time, Hannah loves to read, fill her camera roll with sunset photos, look for solid coffee shops and food places, and take road trips. Fun fact: she is a member of the Yelp Elite Squad!

BCAUSEICAN
Awarded *"Giving Together"* Foundation Grant

On September 28, 2023 BCAUSEICAN was awarded a $20,000 grant from the Giving Together Foundation. BCAUSEICAN was one of three finalists that had to present at the *Giving Together* Annual event to be considered for the $20,000 award.

BCAUSEICAN is absolutely honored to partner with Giving Together to address the mission of striving for STEM equity in the communities served by BCAUSEICAN.

The grant will be used for continuing the general support of the BCAUSEICANCODE Computer Coding program.

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