

Chicago creates digital equity council

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A new Digital Equity Council made up of community-based organisations, government entities, and subject matter experts is the latest step in Chicago's push to expand access to affordable internet across the city. Members of the new council include representatives related to civic and social engagement, health, education and employment, from organisations such as Northwest Center, Chicago Public Library, Chicago Housing Authority, Chicago Department of Public Health, Lawndale Christian Health, Chicago Urban League and Chicago Public Schools. They will make recommendations to close the digital divide and their work will culminate in a digital equity roadmap. Over the next six months, the council will seek community feedback on issues such as the barriers to connectivity, community assets and resources, and co-creating solutions.

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