TechF.I.N.™

TECHNOLOGY FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

2024

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MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

It's with great gratification I say this for the second year in a row: 2024 was a banner year for TechFIN on the fundraising front. Our 2024 goal was to raise enough funding to hire our first executive director, and I'm happy to report - mission accomplished!

Since the publication of our last annual report, TechFIN won grants from **Reisenbach Philanthropies** for the 3rd year in a row and Epoch Investment Partners for the 2nd year in a row. TechFIN is a first time winner of grants from **Rumphius Foundation, AEO Better World Foundation, Community Offshore Wind** and **New York Urban League**. Most of these have not funded yet. On January 8th of this year, TechFIN was announced as a winner of Brooklyn Org's 2025 Spark Award. It is the largest grant award in our history.

The soon-to-be hired executive director will have two primary mandates: growing and maintaining our relationships with corporate hardware donors and leading the charge on fundraising. With the right individual

in place, TechFIN will grow from an organization that aspires to donate 1,000 computers per year to one that aims to provide upwards of 5,000 computers per year to low-income families in Brooklyn and its sister boroughs. With your support, I'm confident we will get there.

NIGEL FRANKSON
Chairman

OUR STORY

TechFIN was founded in 2013 by Shadan Deleveaux and Nigel Frankson. It officially earned its 501(c)(3) designation in 2014. Both co-founders grew up in homes without computer hardware and as a result, struggled to play catchup upon enrolling in college where all assignments are assigned, completed and submitted digitally. Both men subsequently entered the work force and quickly noticed they received new computers every two to three years, as corporations would rather prematurely upgrade a workstation than risk employee downtime due to malfunction. The stark juxtaposition between their resource-restricted upbringing and their resource-rich careers sparked the notion that there had to be some way to redirect these working computers from the scrap heap to the living room.

OUR MISSION

TechFIN is narrowing the digital divide by addressing a major hurdle to computer hardware ownership: its cost. By collecting used PC based laptop and desktop computers, in bulk, from corporations, we are able to revitalize these machines and distribute them to low-income households at no cost to them. Our solution is sustainable, scalable and cost effective
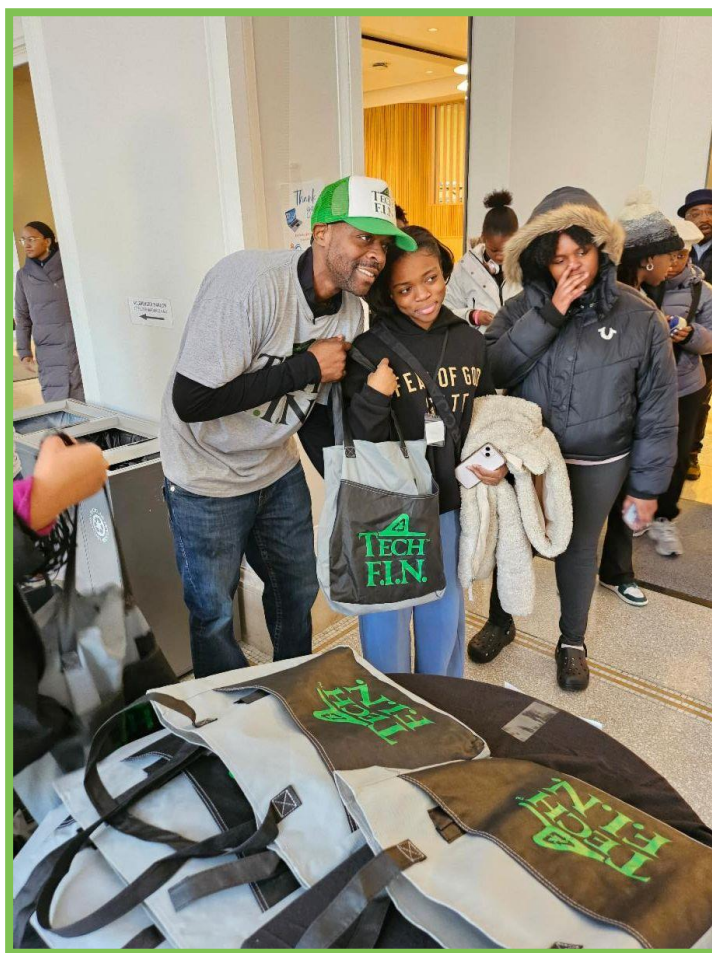
SPOTLIGHT: ANTOINE SIMONS

Antoine joined TechFIN in 2015 and immediately added much needed IT expertise to the board. We knew donated computers would require some TLC prior to finding a new home, and Antoine could tell us exactly what that TLC entails. For the past decade Antoine has hired and trained all of our technicians, overseen their work and helped the organization manage external expectations. He makes the call on what hardware we revitalize versus what can't be salvaged. All TechFIN computers are touched by a member of his staff.

During Antoine's 20+ year career he has held leadership, consulting, and project management roles where he has developed expertise in IT infrastructure, networking, and security. He is no stranger to implementing enterprise-level migrations and integrations. Antoine possesses a Bachelor of Science in Telecommunications and a Master of Science in Cybersecurity. TechFIN, and those we serve, are lucky to have him managing our process and ensuring every TechFIN computer is ready to serve the needs of its second home.

TESTIMONIALS

 I'd like to express my deepest gratitude for the generosity you have each shown me by giving me a laptop. I will take extremely good care of it! I want to go to college to become a doctor. Hopefully a trauma surgeon. I want to spend my life helping people."
- Liam

"when I learned that I would be receiving a free laptop, it was like a brick had been moved off of my chest... my grades did improve I had an easier time uploading my assignments, and contacting my teachers for help via email. But most importantly, I had access to the one thing that could never be taken from me, knowledge."
-- Markayla

"I was inspired by the work of my college classmates and saw an opportunity to help make a tangible difference in people's lives. In our home, we rely on computers for our jobs, to do homework, to pay bills, to make a litany of plans and arrangements to just live life in this modern world. It's nearly unfathomable to imagine how we would all keep up without access to computers. This is an easy way to help the less fortunate and I feel privileged to do my small part."
-- Ben Becker, Board Mbr.

"It's been so helpful having a computer in my house. I'm studying for the MCAT with it. I'm just so happy so many people in the community have a computer now."
-- JC

"I can't overstate how rewarding volunteering with TechFIN has been. Seeing the looks on the children's faces makes it all worth it."
-- Maisha

"Receiving this computer means so much to me. It's not just about having access to technology, but about the opportunities it opens up for my education."
-- Melleisha
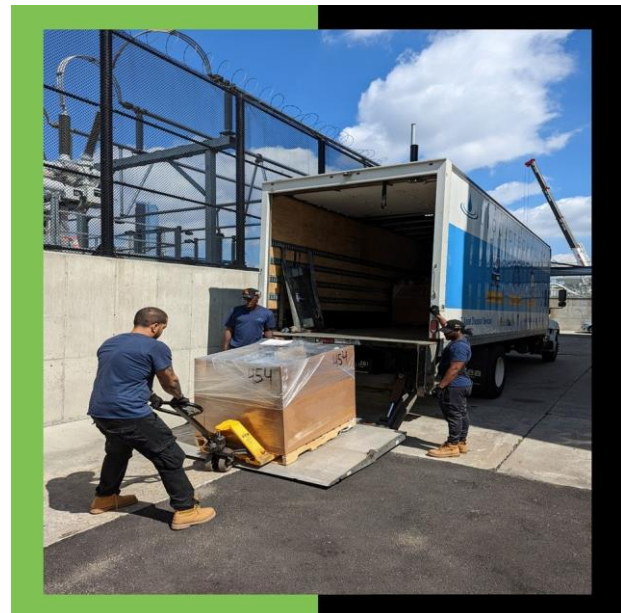
DONATE NOW

Is your company upgrading its tech?

DONATE?

NO YES

Donate your retired computers in bulk to empower families in need!

Go to **wearetechfin.org** and help bridge the digital divide.

HARDWARE NEEDED

If you work at a mid to large sized company, your IT department likely upgrades your computers on a pre-set schedule. These machines typically have years of useful lives left and can make a life changing difference for a low-income family that has to do without. Please consider putting TechFIN in touch with your office of community affairs, your office of sustainability initiatives or a decision maker in your company's IT department. Simply email us at contactus@tech-fin.org to start the conversation. We would love to be considered as an option for your company's unwanted laptops and desktops. A computer is worth far more as whole than it is as recycled scrap metal. The demand for computers in low-income communities dramatically exceeds the supply. While official city-wide statistics say 30 to 40% of low-income households do not have computers, in our experience, the numbers are closer to 80%.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS AND PARTNERS

NETWORK SUPPORTERS

Donors committed to supporting TechFIN on a recurring basis

BRONZE
$150-$599

- Philomena Asare-Boateng
- Gregg Broujos
- Carolyn Cannuscio & Dan Rader
- Duane Cardinez
- Francis Clement
- Khiara Cureton
- Adie Darrah

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SILVER
$600-$1,499

- William & Debbie Becker
- Marc Frankson
- Alexander & Rachel Farbirarz
- Caragh Lavoie
- Todd Riffey
- David Siino

GOLD
$1,500+

- Kenneth Barber
- Judith Becker
- Chad Goldberg
- Lerone Vincent

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BROOKLYN ORG

Reisenbach Philanthropies

COMMUNITY offshore wind
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RWE nationalgrid

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rumphius foundation

Epoch Investment Partners

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PS11 BROOKLYN

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BED-STUY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
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EMPIRE RISES *Supporting Brooklyn Minorities*

SCO Family of Services

THE FAMILY CENTER

SCOTT J. BEIGEL MEMORIAL FUND

Niño de la Caridad Foundation

2024 FINANCIALS

THE FOLLOWING IS AN OVERVIEW OF TechFIN'S INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024:

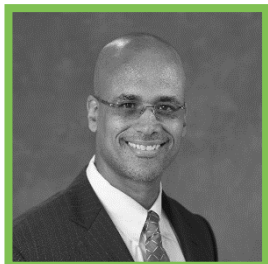| DONATION	AMOUNT
Monetary	$115,270
In-Kind	$94,930

EXPENSE	COST
Rent & Storage	$26,132
Purchased Hardware	$21,570
Software	$3,503
Transportation	$5,036
Labor	$7,811
Supplies	$3,685
IT Services	$7,862
Grant Writer	$6,988
Insurance	$4,016
T&E	$1,410
Other	$1,179

PLEASE REVIEW OUR 2024 990 FORM FOR MORE INFORMATION
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TechFIN's board is operated entirely by volunteers, having no paid officers or staff.

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Chairman, Co-founder
Equity Research Analyst
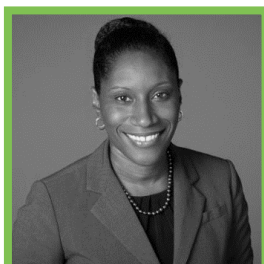*Epoch Investment Partners*

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Co-founder, Board Member
Staffing Lead
Google

ANTOINE SIMONS
Dir of IT & Operations
Manager of Info Technology
Stone Source

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