



Do you know someone who uses technology to **live a more independent life?**

We want to hear about people who are passionate about technology, users of technology and great communicators.

Calling all Tech Ambassadors!

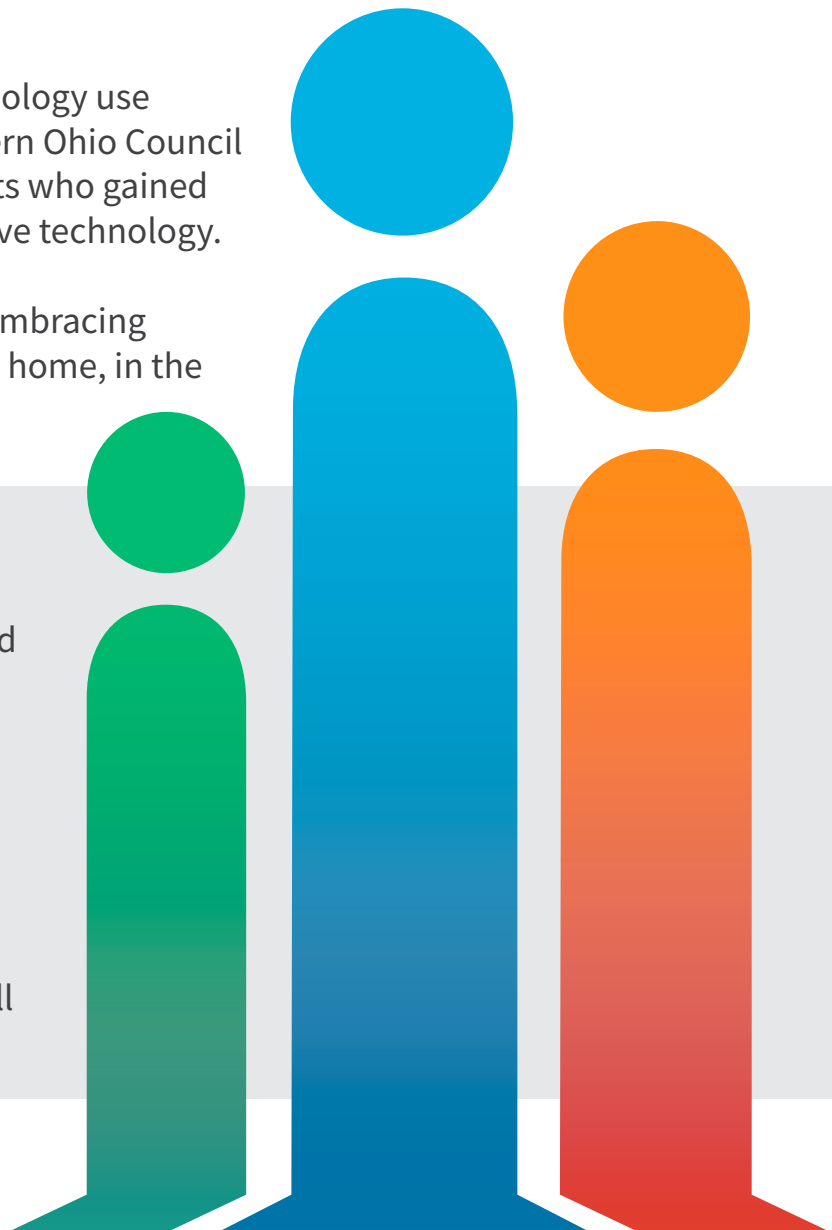
As part of a grant to promote adaptive technology use among Ohioans with disabilities, the Southern Ohio Council of Governments (SOCOG) is looking for adults who gained independence through supportive or adaptive technology.

The Tech Ambassador program focuses on embracing technology and promoting independence at home, in the workplace and in the community.

The objective

Up to four Tech Ambassadors will be selected statewide to promote how they use supportive technology and how it impacts their lives and independence.

Once selected, Tech Ambassadors will share their personal experiences through virtual peer-to-peer mentoring sessions through June 2021. In-person mentoring sessions will be scheduled once it is deemed safe.



Ohio by the numbers

Ohio has long been at the forefront of empowering individuals with disabilities. Let's keep the momentum going!



26.9% of Ohioans
live with a disability



Caregivers spend an average of
20 hours per week
caring for people with disabilities

2013



Ohio becomes one of the first states to receive approval from the federal government to add technology to Home and Community-Based Services waivers.

2018



Gov. John Kasich signs the Technology First Executive Order, 2018-06K, making Ohio the first state in the U.S. to emphasize expanding access to technology for people with developmental disabilities.

2020



Ohio Tech Ambassadors tout the importance of embracing technology and promoting independence.

Together, we can educate and empower Ohioans with developmental disabilities by **embracing technology!**

If you have an individual or family you'd like to nominate, please send applications and resumes to info@ohiotechambassadors.org.

If you want to learn more about upcoming Tech Ambassador events, please send your name and email address to events@ohiotechambassadors.org.