Centri Tech Foundation Announces New Team Members

Community development leaders Kat Trujillo and Marc McAleavey join national nonprofit organization to expand initiatives for digital advancement

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(Washington, DC) -- Centri Tech Foundation, a national nonprofit organization that leverages technology and community development resources to promote shared prosperity, welcomes Katherine (Kat) Trujillo and Marc McAleavey as program directors. Kat joins to head up the organization’s Social Innovation Initiatives, including the newly announced Social Justice Innovation Awards. Marc will lead the Digital Advancement Initiatives, expanding the Digital Integrators program and the Digital Advancement Municipal Index. Together, Kat and Marc bring over 30 years’ combined experience in executive management, programs, and policy.

“I am honored to join Centri Tech Foundation during this critical moment in our nation’s history,” said Kat Trujillo, new program director for social innovation initiatives. "CTF’s mission deeply resonates with me. I’m excited to bring my passion for designing social impact solutions to this role and to collaborate with colleagues who are committed to digital advancement and are working every day to drive bold ideas at scale.”

As the former deputy director and director of education at Libraries Without Borders, Kat launched and scaled over 20 projects across ten states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, including the organization’s first broadband deployment and adoption program. She has launched and directed leadership programs, including the Humanity in Action summer fellowship for emerging social justice leaders and the inaugural Diplomacy and Diversity Fellowship. Kat served in the Obama White House, where she helped organize the first-ever National Convening on Immigrant and Refugee Integration. At the Thurgood Marshall College Fund and the National Head Start Association, Kat advanced early childhood and higher education policy at the local, state, and federal levels.
“I am deeply humbled to join this value-driven organization in its powerful mission to promote
digital advancement as a civil right,” said Marc McAleavey, CTF’s new director of Digital
Advancement Initiatives. “I am eager to bring my years of experience launching and scaling
place-based solutions to Centri Tech Foundation’s efforts to ensure that every American has
equitable access to the digital resources necessary to thrive in the 21st century.”

Most recently, Marc was the executive director of Serve Indiana, the state’s commission on
volunteerism and service. He created The Empathy Sector, a statewide initiative to bring
together community and corporate leaders in pursuit of equity and increased quality of life in
historically underrepresented communities. He served as founding executive director of
Playworks Indiana and Public Allies Indianapolis, where he supported 150 Public Ally
apprentices in resident-led quality of life organizing and planning in over 20 neighborhoods.
Marc led evaluation and documentation at the Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center and
founded The Zawadi Exchange, an Asset Based Community Development organization.

“We are at a moment of inflection in the United States with unprecedented levels of investment
being made in broadband infrastructure and digital equity. With two committed community
development experts onboard, we look forward to expanding and deepening our efforts to
promote digital advancement for communities across America. Kat and Marc will play a critical
role as we move into the next stage of our work and seek to grow our impact,” said Marta
Urquilla, president of Centri Tech Foundation.

About Centri Tech Foundation

Centri Tech Foundation (CTF) leverages technology and community development resources to
promote shared prosperity. We believe digital advancement is a civil right. To achieve a
sustainable future, one where everyone can fulfill their aspirations and thrive, requires an
inclusive digital economy. Learn more at centritechfdn.org and follow @centritechfdn on social
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