SocialBox.Biz Releases New Guide Helping Offices Release Unused Tech to Those in Need

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Laptops for the Homeless Initiative installs open source software on recycled tech to help the vulnerable

AUGUST 18, 2020 - The team at SocialBox.Biz has released a brand new guide called “The SocialBox.Biz Guide to Releasing Old, Yet Still Useful Laptops From Offices to Those That Need Them the Most”.

The new guide comes at a time when digital inclusion is making an impact in the daily lives of people everywhere as quarantines and shutdowns force a new way of life. The problem is that many people are digitally excluded, particularly the homeless. SocialBox.Biz has partnered with a number of charitable organisations who work with the homeless and vulnerable to put laptops into the hands of those who need them the most.

In their new guide, SocialBox.Biz outlines how offices (including council, school, university and college offices) can get involved in this initiative while also finding purpose for their no longer needed yet still working laptops. Throwing laptops away contributes to emissions factors, and partnering with The Laptops for the Homeless Initiative lets companies and organisations give back to their communities while also reducing emissions.

SocialBox.Biz also produced a short video guide for council, school, university and college offices to assist with their social obligation and social value problems around their old tech:

The SocialBox.Biz guide to reusing old tech, reducing emissions and meeting social obligations

https://youtu.be/kjaTxzXvquE

Working with The Laptops for the Homeless Initiative is even better than recycling, says the team at SocialBox.Biz, because the tech can be used locally in London and in the UK.

The SocialBox.Biz team provides the service of on-site data sweeps using safety-aligned software. Then, the team installs open source software on the laptops to ensure that users get the most from their tech. For example, SocialBox.Biz installs operating systems such as Linux on laptops, including older yet still working Macbooks and IMacs. Using such open source systems ensures that costs are kept low. This ensures that charities have a viable option for helping their clients.

SocialBox.Biz is encouraging offices everywhere to be doers in a time of critical need for many in their local communities. More information on donating to The Laptops for the Homeless Initiative can be found at https://www.socialbox.biz/.

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