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# CodeSquad NEWS



## Spring 2023



### **Energize your workforce with CodeSquad grads** **Project Night is June 20 at 6:30pm!**

In one month, 14 graduates from our 2023 Cohort will present the web apps they designed and built to an audience of recruiters, software execs, and staff. If you need to hire software developers, or diversify your workforce - or if you're a prospective student or volunteer - please join us!

Past CodeSquad grads have become software engineers, application developers and more at companies including Athenahealth, Harvard University, NBCUniversal, UnitedHealth, Chewy.com and Liberty Mutual. Come meet the new cohort of up-and-coming developers as they launch a new career.

At this free online event, guests can move around independently to meet each student, see their work and ask questions. Register now to secure your seat!

[Register for Project Night](#)



### Curriculum expands with *React* addition

For our 2023 Cohort, CodeSquad added **four weeks** to our curriculum to teach React. This JavaScript-based technology enables programmers to build apps and websites faster, and has surged in popularity among software employers. Building on our existing training in JavaScript, CodeSquad added 45 hours of class time to teach the key elements of a React application. The students were very receptive, and provided feedback on how to improve the training for next year. Five CodeSquad alumni also joined 2023 Cohort for the React training, evidence that these skills are in high demand.



### We need your help to get a \$5,000 matching grant!

In our Winter Newsletter, we announced an amazing opportunity from The Lenny Zakim Fund: a \$5,000 challenge grant! If we raise \$5,000 more than previous commitments, the Fund will contribute \$5,000 to CodeSquad. *Only new and increased gifts received by December 1, 2023 are eligible.*

**To date we have raised \$3,175 or 64% of our goal!**

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Please make a first-time gift, or renew your support with an increased gift, to help CodeSquad qualify for this funding. If you are a new donor, your entire gift will qualify; if you are renewing your support from a previous year, any amount above that gift amount will qualify. **And please share this newsletter with friends and colleagues to help us meet our goal! We will continue to update you on our progress!**

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See our [website](#) for more information about CodeSquad and our mission to connect Boston's low-income communities of color with lucrative, stable software jobs, while providing employers with opportunities to increase diversity in their technology staff.



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