
Code Island Brigade

[Rhode Island, March, 2014]

Government

Jurisdictions & Agencies

Being such a small state we have great potential in being able to connect with both local and state agencies. This is evidence in the **7** different government agencies that were represented at the Code Island kick off event. Contacts for each agency are included in our member list.

City of Providence: Mayor's Office
Office Management and Budget
Office of Information Technology
RI Department of Administration
RI Department of Education
RI Department of Environmental Management
RI Department of Health

Government partner include Chief Digital Officer Thom Guertin and from OMB Brian Daniels

People

([Meetup Members List](#))
([Github List](#))
Attendance List (*Mail Chimp*)
([Google Plus Community](#))

Potential Partners

<i>Have Supported/Participated</i>	<i>Contacting Spring/Summer 2014</i>
<i>GHHI (non-tech community partner)</i>	<i>Bridge Technical Solutions</i>
<i>BBRI</i>	<i>Bucket Brewery</i>

<i>Betaspring</i>	<i>Foolproof Brewery</i>
<i>Brown University TRI- Lab</i>	<i>Moo</i>
<i>Capital Buddy</i>	<i>Ocean State Job Lot</i>
<i>Common Cause Rhode Island</i>	<i>Providence Pizza</i>
<i>Digital City</i>	
<i>ESRI</i>	
<i>Reckoner Group</i>	
<i>RI Foundation</i>	
<i>The Providence Plan</i>	

Notable Legislation or History

Currently (June 2014) there is no legislation before the Assembly dealing with government data generally.

The [Access to Public Records Act](#): related to open data.

"(h) Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring a public body to reorganize, consolidate, or compile data not maintained by the public body in the form requested at the time the request to inspect the public records was made except to the extent that such records are in an electronic format and the public body would not be unduly burdened in providing such data.

(i) Nothing in this section is intended to affect the public record status of information merely because it is stored in a computer."

[Executive order issued](#) by Governor Chafee's office in 2013 on "Transparency and Accountability."

Existing open data portals

[ridatahub.org](#): ProvPlan administered portal for aggregated SLDS data

[ri community profiles](#): ProvPlan administered portal for community information

transparency.ri.gov: State Government transparency portal
data.providenceri.gov: Providence City data on Socrata Portal
rigis: State Government geographic information portal

Community

Brigade Name: Code Island. Vote held in February-April 2014 on [Meetup](#)

Foundations: <http://www.tgci.com/funding-sources/RI/top>

- [Rhode Island Foundation](#)
- [United Way](#)

Adjacent Networks

Groups Meeting Monthly

DC 401

RI Data Heros

<http://www.meetup.com/webdesign-410/>

<http://www.meetup.com/ux-meetup/>

[Providence Web Development Lunch Hour Monthly Meetup](#)

Groups Meeting Weekly

<http://www.meetup.com/Code-for-Boston/>

Public Forums / Good Government Organizations

- *[List of foundations with links and a bit of context.]*

Facilities

[This is a list good to great places to host meetups. Locations should be accessible to all, have wifi, accessible power outlets, and tables and chairs for people to place laptops.]

Co-working Spaces

[Digital City](#)

Coffee Spaces (Olga's, Small Point, White Electric, Exchange)

Event/Meeting Spaces

Rhode Island State House

Digital City

Brown Tri Lab

Inspiring Minds

Providence Public Schools

Libraries

Ocean State Libraries

Potential Brigade Focus & Projects

In 2014 we expect the following projects to be fully underway or completed:

- Rhode Island Healthy Homes Alliance (GHHI) Wiki
- Rhode Island Public Transit Authority(RIPTA) GPS Mobile Application
- Textizen rollout
- Rhode Island Government Budget Visualization
- Rhode Island Local Wiki
- Open Data Census for RI and Providence
- Jobs Portal and Job Market skills analysis
- Visit neighboring Brigades and/or co-brigade event
- Establish external facing website, internal communication infrastructure, documentation infrastructure, etc
- Find Brigade communication or storyteller lead.
- Group marketing and SEO strategy