

June 8, 2014

Re: Mozilla's Gigabit Community Fund; GigBridge in Chattanooga

As a Spanish teacher at Girls Preparatory School (GPS) in Chattanooga, Tennessee, I express my strong support for GigBridge and our student behind the initiative. I have known Anjali Chandra for five years, having first taught her when she was in the seventh grade.

Anjali shared with me her ideas for this program, and I was impressed with her enthusiasm and the thought and effort she put into this project.

Anjali's profound desire to help others, her interest in science, technology, and the Spanish language combine to form a program with great potential to benefit many young people in our community.

As students at GPS, a girls' school, not only do I have a group of students very eager to volunteer their time to help the youth of their community, I can tell you they are movers and shakers, who not only have a genuine interest in Hispanic language and culture but are future computer scientists, physicians and engineers. GPS has long been a pioneer in the use of technology and our students are leaders in that area. They have the potential to be the finest mentors for participants in GigBridge. As a GPS senior faculty member, I am eager to work with Anjali and a group of our Advanced Placement Spanish students to ensure this endeavor is successful.

Anjali's proposal has the potential to fulfill the goals she establishes; these are goals worthy of Chattanooga's diversity, our technology, the need for the information, and an excellent opportunity for some of our citizens to more quickly integrate in our society while learning to improve their health.

Sincerely,

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