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## WHAT IS A FIXIT CLINIC?



# Hands-on activity in disassembly, troubleshooting, and, (with luck) repair of broken household items.

- Types of Repairs
  - Small Electronics/Toys
  - Bicycles
  - Clothing/Textiles
- Community members get help from volunteer coaches
- Encourages participants to repair item
- Started in 2008 by Peter Mui in Berkley, CA
- Over 200 clinics held across the country

# HOSTING A CLINIC

## **ROOM SET-UP**















## TAKE A PICTURE OF THE COACHES









Coaches scarce resource so pamper them!

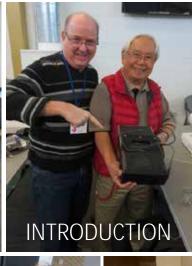


Provide drinks and snacks.

# START CLINIC





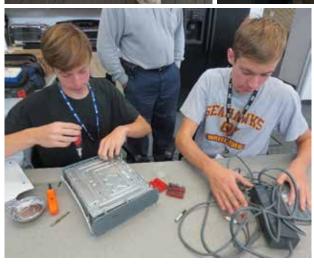






















# **CELEBRATE SUCCESSES**

























## WHERE TO START

FIXIT

- City Staff
  - At least 1 staff member
- City Resources
  - Building
  - Tools and supplies
- Volunteers
  - Coaches
  - Participants
- Sponsors/Partners
  - Lunch/snacks for coaches
  - Tools and supplies
  - Donations















#### **OVERALL NEEDS**



#### Secure Infrastructure

- Building with easy parking
- Electricity and Wi-Fi access
- Tables and Chairs
- Basic Tools

#### Schedule Date and Time

- Saturday or Sunday
- 2-3 hours max

#### Recruit Volunteer "Fixit Coaches"

- Jr and Sr High Schools
- Senior Centers
- Local Community Groups
- Colleges

#### Advertise

- Social Media
- City Calendar
- Community Forums
- Local Newspapers
- Fliers around Community
  - Libraries/Municipal Offices
  - Coffee Shops/Businesses
- City Public Communications
  - Bill Inserts
  - Newsletters
- Work with venue to promote

## **LESSONS LEARNED**



- Building a coach base is essential
- Continue to recruit community partners (volunteers/city council/businesses)
- Set expectations
- Encourage word-of-mouth by participants
- Need an advocate in the community

## **BENEFITS**



- Fixing many broken items is possible, even easy
- Educational value
- Community members work together
- Give new life to item with sentimental value
- No need to buy a new item
- Prevent additional waste going into landfills









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