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## The internet is broken

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*90% of our online communications happen in small geographic areas. Even though we are connected globally, we still mostly talk to our neighbors.*

--Sobolevsky, et al MIT (2013)

*Companies like Comcast, Time Warner, and Optimum receive lower ratings than utility companies, airlines, and even health insurance companies*

--American Consumer Satisfaction Index (2015)

## What this means

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Let's say that Alice and Bob are neighbors and want to talk to each other.

With today's infrastructure, they pay premiums to giant media companies to talk to each other.

Alice and Bob's personal information pass through the hands of dozens of companies so that they can talk to each other, even though they are neighbors.

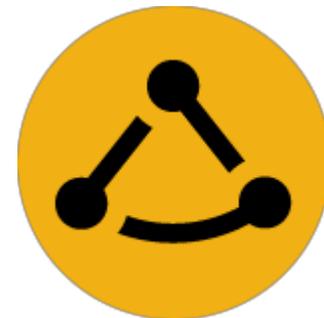
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# NYC Mesh

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## Community Wireless Network

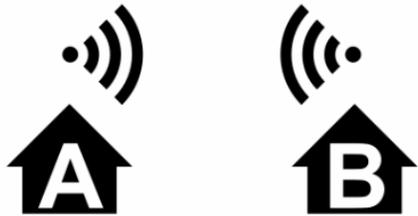
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***Their business model depends on owning the keys to the internet***

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**The secret is that we *can* talk to each other**

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Imagine your home wireless network.

Now why not share it with your neighbors and split the cost of access?

Why not extend it to the whole building?

And connect it with your friends next door?

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## **This is what we do**

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We are a community of developers, technologists, users, and neighbors who are building a solution.

We are network engineers, building a more connected community. With your help, we can build not only a wireless network, but also grow closer as a city.

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## **There's More!**

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Our technology is

- Self-configuring
- Decentralized, ensuring no single point of failure
- A great place for neighborhoods to come together
- Still available during a hurricane
- Free from censorship and tracking
- A self-sufficient alternative to corporate ownership of our identities, communications, and lives
- The nerdiest way to be a good neighbor

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## **Questions**

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### **What is our revenue model?**

We have a 501(c)4 sponsor and no revenue apart from donations.

### **How many customers do we have?**

We are not a business—we are a community.

### **What if somebody steals our ideas?**

Please do! Everything we build, design, and test is freely available online. All of our code is open-sourced.

### **How is our team structured?**

Alphabetically

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## **Join Us**

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Check us out at NYCmesh.net, or email us at [contact@nycmesh.net](mailto:contact@nycmesh.net).

If you are a property owner, community organization, or other interested party, let us know by filling out the join form on our website. Do you want to help organize? Hop on our slack channel: [nycmesh.slack.com](https://nycmesh.slack.com).