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Equinix Commits Additional $50 Million to the Equinix Foundation, Doubling Its Investment in Communities Worldwide

New funding will bring more people online, teach them new skills and create pathways for technical careers

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., Aug. 27, 2026 /PRNewswire/ -- Equinix, Inc. (Nasdaq: EQIX), the world's digital infrastructure company®, today announced a new $50 million commitment to the Equinix Foundation, doubling the company's total investment in the Foundation just four years since its launch in 2022.

The funding aims to accelerate the Foundation's proven model for advancing digital opportunity through strategic grantmaking, workforce development and community partnerships. Since launch, the Equinix Foundation has awarded grants to 100 nonprofit partners across 48 metros globally, helping connect more than 3.5 million people to the internet in 2025 alone.

"For nearly 30 years, Equinix has grown by earning the trust of the communities where we operate. The Equinix Foundation is a powerful expression of our values in action, giving more people the skills and opportunities they need for the jobs of the future," said Adaire Fox-Martin, CEO and President, Equinix, and Foundation Board Member. "By doubling our investment in programs around the world, we aim to open doors for more people and ensure our communities benefit from the future we are helping to build."

Additionally, the Equinix Foundation named Aslıhan Güreşcier, VP, Growth and Emerging Markets, EMEA, as its new President. Güreşcier will lead the next phase of the Foundation's growth, working toward its vision of a more accessible, sustainable and interconnected digital future for everyone, everywhere.

The Foundation will continue to take an ecosystem approach, bringing together Equinix employees, nonprofits, customers and alliance partners as it deepens its work across three key impact areas:

- **Connectivity and digital infrastructure:** Expanding quality, reliable internet access for digitally underserved communities.
- **Digital literacy and skill building:** Fostering digital literacy and skills training for individuals of all ages.
- **Workforce readiness and resilience:** Creating technical career pathways related to the data center industry for adults seeking greater economic opportunity.

The Foundation works alongside customers and alliance partners—including Cisco and HPE—to co-fund initiatives that create opportunities for communities and businesses alike. It also supports sustainability-minded infrastructure and climate solutions advancing next-generation data center technologies.

"Throughout my career, I've seen the ways digital technology and infrastructure can lift up communities and improve people's lives," Güreşcier said. "I'm honored to lead the Equinix Foundation as we scale this vitally important work and help communities capitalize on the immense opportunities ahead."

Four Years of Measurable Impact
The Foundation's first four years of operation demonstrate the model works. In 2025 alone, the Foundation's portfolio of nonprofits connected over 3.5 million people to the internet, reached over 1.6 million people with digital literacy and skills training, and trained over 900 people in digital infrastructure roles.

The Foundation is pursuing a deliberate strategy to build strong talent pipelines into an industry growing faster than the workforce prepared to fill it. Equinix's Pathways to Tech program introduces students ages 14–18 to careers in data center operations through school visits, facility tours and education days led by 120 certified employee volunteer ambassadors. Since launch, the program has reached more than 1,300 students across 24 locations worldwide.

To further scale the model, the Foundation has entered into a new partnership with the International Youth Foundation (IYF), a global leader in youth workforce development with 35 years of experience connecting young people to economic opportunities in more than 100 countries. IYF will work alongside the Equinix Foundation to define a scalable, replicable model for expanding Pathways to Tech to new markets globally.

"Every young person deserves the chance to see a future for themselves in the industries shaping our world, and data infrastructure is one of the fastest-growing out there," said Christina Sass, President & CEO, International Youth Foundation. "Pathways to Tech is already opening that door for hundreds of students. We're excited to bring our experience in youth workforce development to help Equinix build a model that can open it for thousands more, in communities around the world."

Global Partners, Local Impact
The Foundation partners with dozens of organizations to bridge the digital divide, with Equinix employees helping to identify and support community-driven nonprofits and social enterprises in their markets. Current partners include:

- Per Scholas, a national workforce accelerator leading in no-cost technical training, now expanding a critical facilities training program across five U.S. markets to prepare individuals for high-demand careers in data center operations.
- unconnected.org, bringing sustainable, market-driven connectivity to more than 40 million people across 18 countries around the world.
- UNICEF Digital Inclusion, with Giga as its flagship program, a joint initiative with the International Telecommunication Union, working to connect every school in the world to the internet by 2030.
- YUVA Unstoppable, which has helped improve student learning outcomes by transforming thousands of government schools across India with improved future ready learning spaces, technology access and education.
- Enterprise Development Centre (EDC) at Pan-Atlantic University, whose SparkLab incubator program equips early-stage entrepreneurs and technopreneurs in Nigeria with the skills, mentorship and market access to scale their ideas.

Additional Resources

- Equinix Foundation [Webpage]
- Pathways to Tech Program [Webpage]
- Equinix's investments in workforce development [Press Release]

About the Equinix Foundation
The Equinix Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Equinix, Inc., is dedicated to enabling a more accessible, sustainable, and interconnected digital future for everyone, everywhere. In collaboration with partners and fueled by the passion of employees, the Foundation drives digital inclusion through three key impact areas: access to digital infrastructure and connectivity, digital literacy and skill building, and technical career development for data center operations.

About Equinix
Equinix, Inc. (Nasdaq: EQIX) shortens the path to boundless connectivity anywhere in the world. Its digital infrastructure, data center footprint and interconnected ecosystems empower innovations that enhance our work, life and planet. Equinix connects economies, countries, organizations and communities, delivering seamless digital experiences and cutting-edge AI—quickly, efficiently and everywhere.

Forward-Looking Statements
This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including statements regarding Equinix's commitment to the Equinix Foundation, the Foundation's future activities, and the anticipated impact of the Foundation's programs and initiatives and other risks described from time to time in Equinix filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In particular, see recent and upcoming Equinix quarterly and annual reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, copies of which are available upon request from Equinix. Equinix does not assume any obligation to update the forward-looking information contained in this press release.



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