



We aren't (just) in Kansas anymore

A 2 YEAR TECHNICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL ROADMAP FOR THE FREE
NETWORK MOVEMENT

Looking back at three years of FNF/FNM

- ▶ Format of this section:
 - ▶ Sitrep
 - ▶ Coverage gaps
 - ▶ Near term go forward plan

First we built compute capacity (and shipped first stack component)

FreedomCenter sitrep:

- ▶ We have enough software and supporting iron deployed to easily accommodate years of growth and absorbing any number of new programs and research efforts of FNF.
- ▶ We are rapidly closing a technical deficit here (resilient and survivable storage/wan redundancy, LDAP) which will allow us to be 100% reliant on our infrastructure and not afraid to integrate large scale development programs and personnel.
- ▶ Tl;dr: We have the technology. We have the iron. Let's hack on everything. Want footprint in the FreeNetworking hax exchange point? We got it.

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- ▶ FNF Labs sitrep:
 - ▶ Brutally challenging to ship! Numerous false starts and outright failures in planning/building/deploying/budget control etc.
- ▶ However, we have shipped it:
 - ▶ Edge/distribution/core development/modeling/testing/scaling capabilities? Check!
 - ▶ Big iron for realistic provider network simulation? Check!
 - ▶ Networking product equipment dev lab toys? Check!
 - ▶ Deployed (adjacent to a major talent pool), operational, supporting product development efforts and permanently homed. Check!

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- ▶ Coverage gaps:
 - ▶ FC
 - ▶ Network/storage redundancy. Work is mostly done, however we've had setbacks which leave us exposed to a moderate degree of risk.
 - ▶ Lab
 - ▶ It's very early, we've not used the lab enough to identify any gaps.

First we built compute capacity (and shipped first stack component)

- ▶ Near term go forward plan (closing the deficit)
 - ▶ FC
 - ▶ A program to eliminate network/storage setbacks with extreme prejudice has been funded, necessary components procured and implementation is underway

Then we built organizational capacity

- ▶ Board of directors
- ▶ Officers
- ▶ Dedicated volunteers
- ▶ Evangelists
- ▶ 501c3 reboot
- ▶ Increased runway funding access through coalition partners and continuing optimization of that process
- ▶ Massive worldwide collaboration , travel, connecting, presenting
- ▶ Foreign exchange with Guifi.net

Then we built organizational capacity

- ▶ Coverage gaps in our organizational capacity
 - ▶ Development officer
 - ▶ CIO
 - ▶ Volunteer devs
 - ▶ Paid devs

Then we built organizational capacity

- ▶ Near term go forward plan for organizational capacity building

Then we built a network

▶ KCFN

Then we got serious about outside in/meta thinking and review

- ▶ FND reboot
 - ▶ Consensus from a global coalition
 - ▶ Feedback from experts about external acceptance criteria
- ▶ NCL reboot
 - ▶ Collaborative and consensus driven effort
 - ▶ Balance of privacy/network operator rights
 - ▶ Voluminous discussion of legal contexts and other significant meta related parameters
 - ▶ Product requirements document framework for FreedomStack defaults (out of box, you get NCL compliant network)

Then we built a couple more networks

- ▶ Dev net
- ▶ LA Reunion
- ▶ Los Angeles?

We went from zero to 0.5 and then 1. NOW WHAT?

- ▶ New org structure
- ▶ New board of directors
- ▶ New dev team
- ▶ Networks talking to each other!
- ▶ Go to 2
- ▶ Go from 2 to 2 million

Business is a million, business model is a Billion

- ▶ FNF
- ▶ [redacted] – for profit, market delivery of FNF R&D
- ▶ [redacted] – for profit, high margin “Cadillac edition”
- ▶ [redacted] – non profit (somewhat complex SPV) backbone provider