



Can Technology

Serve

Social Justice?

Free Public Lecture by

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Despite widespread celebrations of Twitter Revolutions and social media activism, the relationship between new technology and the social justice goals of peace, freedom, equality and dignity for all people is deeply contradictory. In this talk, scholar-activist Virginia Eubanks will reflect on fifteen years of efforts with three grassroots organizations — Our Knowledge, Our Power: Surviving Welfare, the Popular Technology Workshops, and Women at the YWCA Making Social Movement — to make technology serve the needs of oppressed and exploited people in the United States.

Virginia Eubanks is the author of *Digital Dead End: Fighting for Social Justice in the Information Age*, and the cofounder of two grassroots community organizations focused on making technology serve social and economic justice: Our Knowledge, Our Power: Surviving Welfare (OKOP) and the Popular Technology Workshops. She teaches in the Department of Women's Studies at the University at Albany, SUNY.

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