

# Project: Empower Reaches Chapter System Milestone

*Project: Empower, a 501(c)3 non-profit, recently achieved a milestone of over 60 active chapters spanning 10 countries.*

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Empower, a non-profit committed to making software come to life to support first-generation low-income students is thrilled to announce a significant achievement in its journey.

The organization has expanded to an impressive 60+ chapters across the world in 10 countries, following an immensely successful hackathon event with over 600 participants and a staggering \$112,000 worth of prizes awarded to innovative projects.



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The hackathon, which brought together aspiring change-makers and tech enthusiasts, showcased the power of collaboration, innovation, and dedication within the Project Empower community. Participants from diverse backgrounds came together to brainstorm and create solutions that address pressing issues in their respective communities.

This hackathon fueled new chapter formations across the world that come together to solve issues in their own communities.

Reflecting on Project: Empower's impact, chapter founder Chan H., Founder of the Orange County Chapter, remarked, "Starting a chapter for Project: Empower has been a transformative experience, helping me develop strong leadership skills while collaborating with a passionate team. It's also deepened my coding expertise through collaborative learning, and the experience has enabled me to positively impact my community by providing valuable coding education and

support to others.”

Jahnavi K., Founder of the Charlotte, NC chapter, echoed the sentiment, saying, "Being a chapter founder has helped me develop my leadership skills, connect with other students working to build our future, and make a positive impact on my community, all the while having the support of Project: Empower & its community".

President of Project Empower, Alexander Mehta says “it’s amazing to see how the reach of [Illuminate](#) has spread to individual communities. We aren’t just creating software, we are creating local communities that solve problems.” Illuminate is Project: Empower’s tool to find activities for high school students released at the beginning of this year.

Project: Empower is excited to announce a new follow up project to Illuminate on the horizon. "Mindly," an AI-powered reflection and journaling app, will soon be launched by Project Empower. Mindly aims to provide individuals with a digital space for personal growth, self-reflection, and community support.

About Alexander Mehta:

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