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Chatbot Hackathon Connects Springfield Tech Community

DoIT, Innovate Springfield and Microsoft partnered to host a Chatbot Hackathon this week. The event had over fifty participants from the local tech community working together across eight different teams to solve how "government can get more personal". Three chatbots were selected as winners at the event: 1st Place was DNR's "Buck the Bot", the interactive deer, 2nd Place went to DoIT Web Services chatbot for the Illinois.gov services search engine and 3rd Place went to Revenue's taxbot FAQ database. Watch for an upcoming blog with more details about the two-day event.

Tableau Day Shares New Data Visualization Tool for State Usage

A cross section of data practitioners and representatives from agencies' business areas, totaling close to eighty attendees, spent Wednesday afternoon learning how the Tableau suite of tools can enable the presentation of fast, easy, visually pleasing and useful data. Tableau is an evolving analytics platform supported as one of the DoIT offerings in that space. If you need further information on the products, please contact DoIT.SDP.support@illinois.gov.

Data Dashboard Released at Governor's Cabinet on Children and Youth

DoIT's State Data Practice unveiled a new data dashboard at the Governor's Cabinet on Children and Youth meeting this week. This analytics tool will provide policymakers and the public with information to make better-informed decisions about the health, safety, education and work readiness of Illinoisans younger than 25. The dashboard reflects data from multiple state agencies. More information on the data dashboard announcement can be found here.

DoIT FYIs & Reminders

Staff at 120 West Jefferson is busy planning their annual holiday luncheon . Registration is required and all are invited to this year's event on Thursday, December 14th.

Nominate a colleague who exemplifies the *One*DoIT service-driven approach. Please visit the DoIT Employee Portal for the Nomination Form. Nominations due by December 31st.

DoIT staff is invited to Acting Secretary Lonbom's open office hours between 10am and 12pm each Friday in Springfield. Contact rhonda.reed@illinois.gov to schedule. Available upon request in Chicago.