"Upgrade to Linux" welcomes all computer users to adopt open source software

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Toronto, Canada, October 7, 2022 - Windows 11 leaves many people unable to upgrade with even the most up-to-date hardware. Over the years, many computer enthusiasts have encouraged people to "Upgrade to Linux" on their desktops or laptops. The newly formed initiative Upgrade to Linux (UTL) offers resources and a supportive community to guide the users of proprietary systems—particularly Windows—to the free, open source GNU/Linux operating system—Linux for short.

"Our aim with Upgrade to Linux is to offer an easy alternative to people whose laptops and desktops are not deemed capable of running the most current version of Windows," said UTL contributor Andy Oram. "We want to show that, using Linux and other open source software, anyone can be running the most current, secure and efficient operating system software even on older computers."

Upgrade to Linux seeks to provide a community and resources for users looking to upgrade, using the hashtags #UpgradetoLinux and #UTL on social media for individuals to share their experiences and educational content related to open source. The initiative calls for volunteers and organizations to join the campaign, creating a collaborative network of open source support.

Linux proves to be more secure, and more efficient in its use of computing resources than most proprietary operating systems. A variety of open source and proprietary programs run on Linux, giving users a rich multimedia experience. A wide range of computers based on Intel chips, including systems considered "obsolete" by Microsoft, support Linux. This sustainability slows the rapid accumulation of e-waste - and being free of cost, Linux is knocking down barriers of entry for people and businesses around the world.

Linux encourages growth in the average computer user. The transparency of open operating systems and applications permits users control of their system and to work with communities to help tools evolve. Learning to program is encouraged, and access to

open source software guides users to valuable knowledge and career paths in computing.

In short, it is always the time is always right to move to Linux. It gives users freedom and power, along with worldwide support from a community of professionals and volunteers.

Partners involved in the initiative include Linux Professional Institute (LPI), TUXEDO Computers, MorroLinux, and Linux Magazine. UTL encourages others to join "Upgrade to Linux" as well by emailing join@upgradetolinux.com.

To learn more about the initiative, visit us at upgradetolinux.com.

About Upgrade to LInux

Upgrade to Linux (UTL) is an initiative of computing enthusiasts and organizations that encourages adoption of open source software. In addition to supporting international access to technology and hardware compatibility that is environmentally sustainable, Linux provides the individual user with an upgrade in privacy, performance, and personalization. The Upgrade to Linux campaign seeks to provide a supportive community and educational resources to help users upgrade and share their stories in a way that is simple, intuitive, and fun.