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# LETTER

## from the Foundation

Welcome to the September/October 2020 issue of the *FreeBSD Journal*. The issue focuses on Contributing to FreeBSD. It covers lots of paths to joining the Project, and also talks more about why people use FreeBSD in the first place. The Foundation team is pretty excited about this issue because it aligns really closely with the advocacy part of our mission. In the Before times, we traveled all over the world, introducing folks to FreeBSD and helping them get started contributing to the Project. Thankfully, due to the generosity of our community, we're able to continue spreading the word to this day. While we might not be at conferences, we're still holding workshops at online events. Our new FreeBSD Fridays series of one-hour FreeBSD 101 classes is going strong, and we're about to hold our first online FreeBSD Vendor Summit, November 11-13, 2020. Vendor Summits are great because they offer companies who use FreeBSD the chance to talk directly to developers to get their questions answered and needs met. This year's event is particularly exciting not only because it is open to anyone interested in attending, but also because it's free.

The Foundation continues to work with members of the community to help streamline the onboarding process, and *Journal* issues like this one are just part of the plan. Please take a moment to check out the issue, and be sure to share with those who may be interested in contributing to FreeBSD!

On behalf of the FreeBSD Foundation,  
**Anne Dickison**