Digest #68

This week's news includes features about Section 8 compliance (in eLearning projects), SC broadband initiatives (we're a model for CA), e-Check payments via PayStand, a special Tech Meetup coming up, $100K from FORA to MBEP (know what those FLAs mean?), and more. Scroll down and start reading...

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Feature Articles:

- Santa Cruz broadband initiatives adopted as models for California.

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• Nir Eyal, best-selling author of *Hooked -- How to Build Habit-Forming Products*, will speak locally in December. [Read now...](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs182/1102136716634/archive/1119239531538.html)

• New e-Check is a low, fixed-cost alternative to credit cards, from PayStand. [Read now...](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs182/1102136716634/archive/1119239531538.html)

• Is your eLearning project Section 508 compliant? Sometimes required by law, Monarch Media shares expertise. [Read now...](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs182/1102136716634/archive/1119239531538.html)

• $100K approved for Monterey Bay Economic Partnership, aka MBEP, plus an offer to match. What's FORA? [Read now...](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs182/1102136716634/archive/1119239531538.html)

• Looking for a locally designed award-winning gift for the "kudult" in you (or for your kid)? [Read now...](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs182/1102136716634/archive/1119239531538.html)

• Watch: Honoring the *First Looker*. "If Looker were the Starship Enterprise, I would be Spock." [View now...](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs182/1102136716634/archive/1119239531538.html)

• Watch: New Tech and TechRaising
on Think Local First Radio. Yes, it's radio but there's video, too. View now...

Upcoming Events:

Check our EVENTS page for the complete list and all the details.

- Sat Nov 22, 4pm: Santa Cruz Hackerspace Meetup at Scotts Valley Library.
- Sat Nov 29, 3pm: Node.js Meetup, Node Robotics at NextSpace.
- Tue Dec 2, 7pm: Santa Cruz Drupal Group at NextSpace.
- Wed Dec 3, 8:30am-4:45pm: California's Super Region of Innovation, 11th annual Global California conference at Cocoanut Grove.
- Fri Dec 5, 6pm: Node.js Meetup/Workshop: Develop, Deploy, Monitor and Scale REST APIs Built in Node.js at NextSpace.
- Tue Dec 9, 6:30pm: TechRaising Meetup, How Big Data Is Changing Your Business at NextSpace.
- Sat Dec 13, 10am: Santa Cruz Web Developers Meetup at NextSpace.
- Tue Dec 16, 6pm: Design Santa Cruz Meetup at NextSpace.
- Wed Dec 17, 6:30pm: Santa Cruz Bitcoin & Crypto-currency Meetup at NextSpace.
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