

The Connector Exchange Coordination Community Meeting September 23, 2020

Agenda

- Introductions and Updates
- STARportal Updates
- The Connector Updates
- Emerging Issues
 - Recap May meeting
 - New topics



Intros and Updates

NC STEM Center

- Burroughs Wellcome Fund
- Morehead Planetarium and Science Center
- Insight Designs



The American Institute of Architects

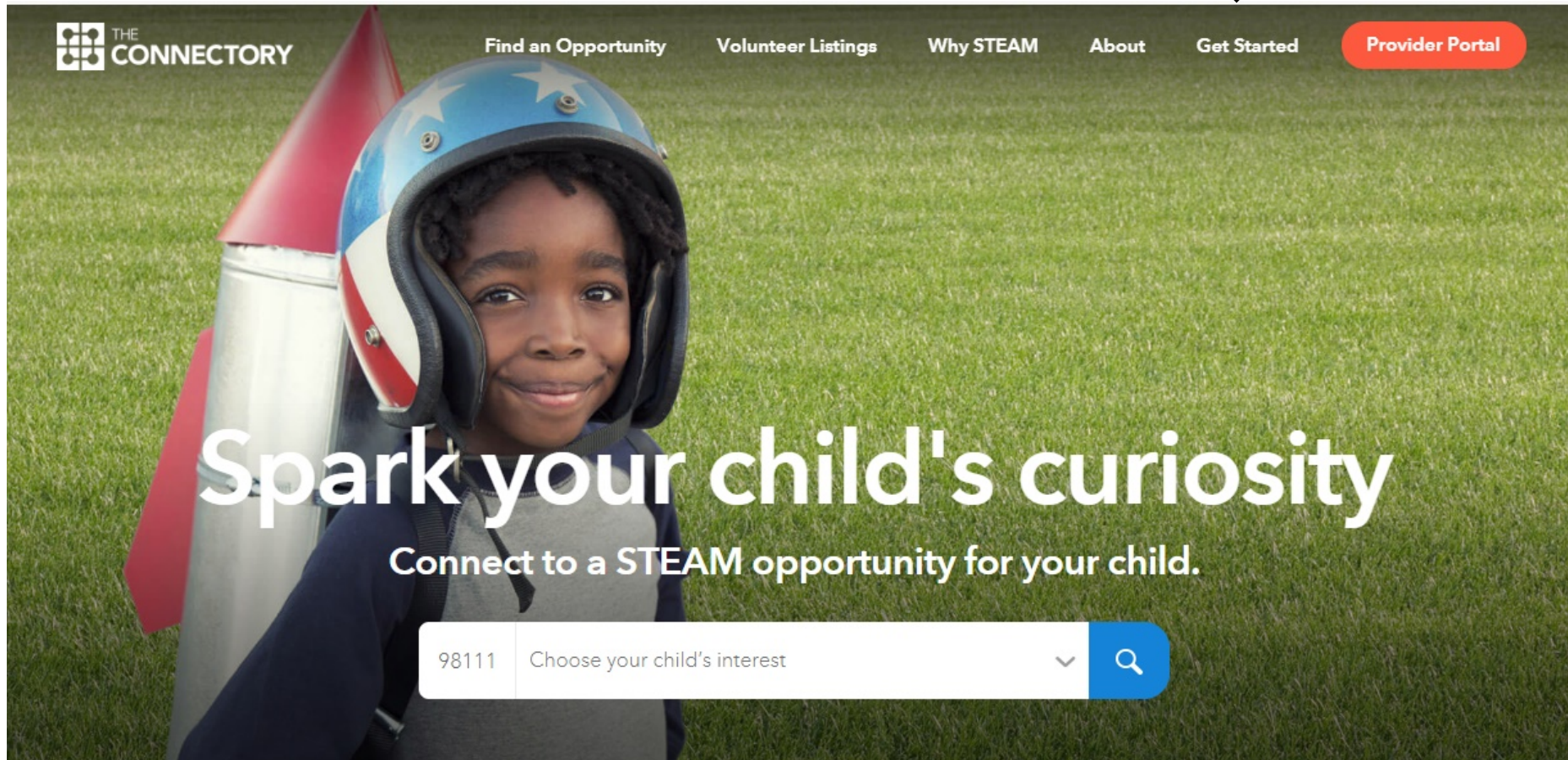


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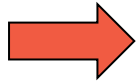
The Connectory Updates




Added **Get Started** to Top Navigation



The Connector Updates

New Opportunities: **Available nationwide** option



Find an OpportunityVolunteer ListingsPartner SearchDashboardAdministration

Opportunity Reach

Is your opportunity available nationwide? *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Alabama

Alaska

American Samoa

Arizona

Arkansas

California

Colorado

Connecticut

Delaware

District Of Columbia

Federated States Of Micronesia

Florida

Georgia

Guam

Hawaii

Idaho

Illinois

Indiana

Iowa

Kansas

Kentucky

Louisiana

Maine

Marshall Islands

Maryland

Massachusetts

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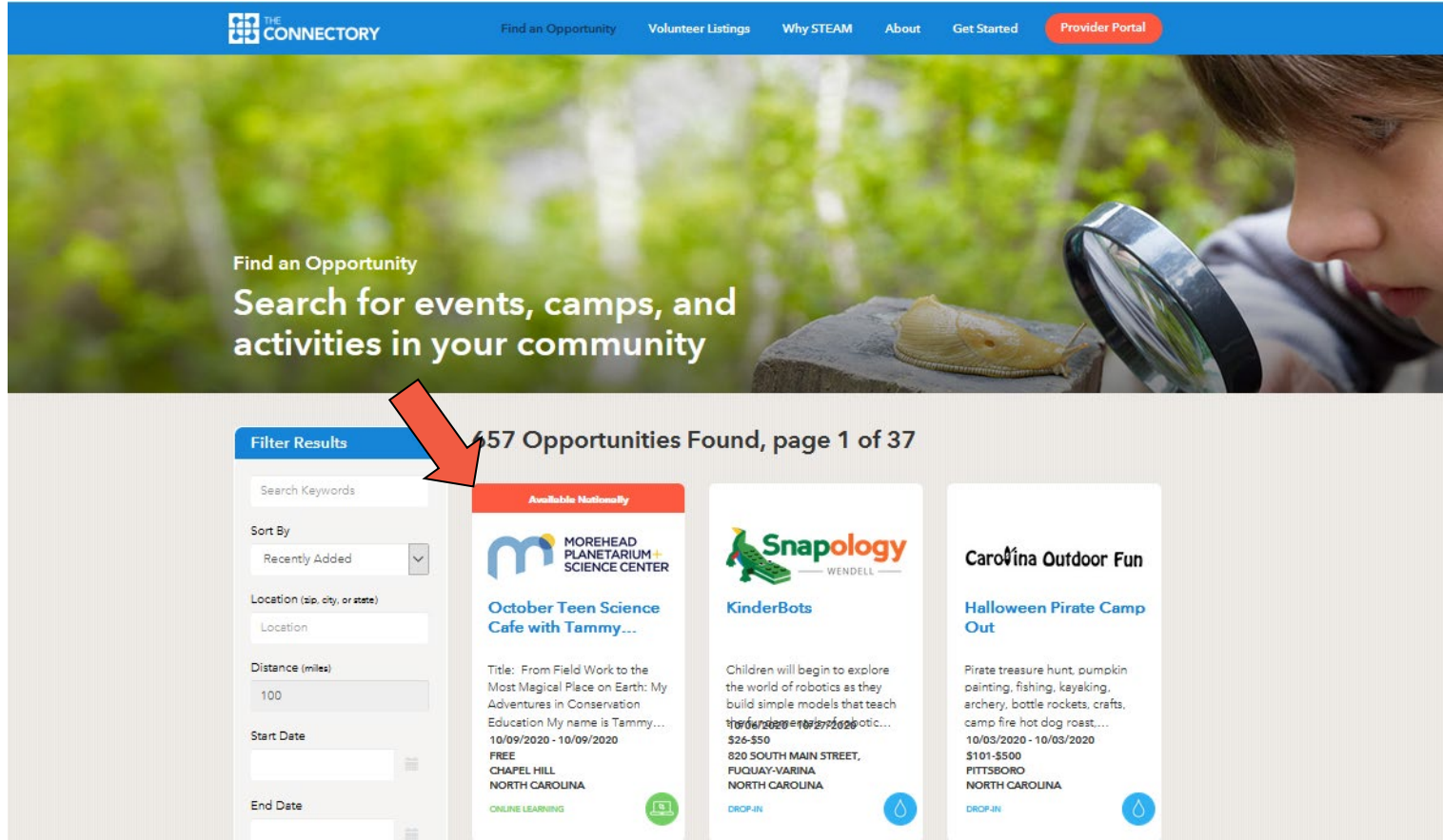
Wisconsin

Wyoming

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The Connectory Updates

Available Nationally on **Find an Opportunity** page regardless of the zip code entered.



The screenshot shows the 'Find an Opportunity' page on The Connectory website. The header includes the logo and navigation links: Find an Opportunity, Volunteer Listings, Why STEAM, About, Get Started, and a red 'Provider Portal' button. The main banner features a child looking through a magnifying glass at a snail, with the text 'Find an Opportunity Search for events, camps, and activities in your community'. Below this, a red arrow points to the 'Available Nationally' filter in the 'Filter Results' sidebar. The main content area displays '657 Opportunities Found, page 1 of 37' and three event cards: 'October Teen Science Cafe with Tammy...' from Morehead Planetarium Science Center, 'KinderBots' from Snapology, and 'Halloween Pirate Camp Out' from Carolina Outdoor Fun. Each card includes details like dates, location, and a 'Drop-In' icon.

Filter Results

Search Keywords

Sort By
Recently Added

Location (zip, city, or state)
Location

Distance (miles)
100

Start Date

End Date

657 Opportunities Found, page 1 of 37

Available Nationally

MOREHEAD PLANETARIUM SCIENCE CENTER
October Teen Science Cafe with Tammy...
Title: From Field Work to the Most Magical Place on Earth: My Adventures in Conservation Education My name is Tammy...
10/09/2020 - 10/09/2020
FREE
CHAPEL HILL
NORTH CAROLINA
ONLINE LEARNING

Snapology — WENDELL —
KinderBots
Children will begin to explore the world of robotics as they build simple models that teach them how to be a robot...
10/03/2020 - 10/03/2020
\$26-\$50
820 SOUTH MAIN STREET,
FUQUAY-VARINA
NORTH CAROLINA
DROP-IN

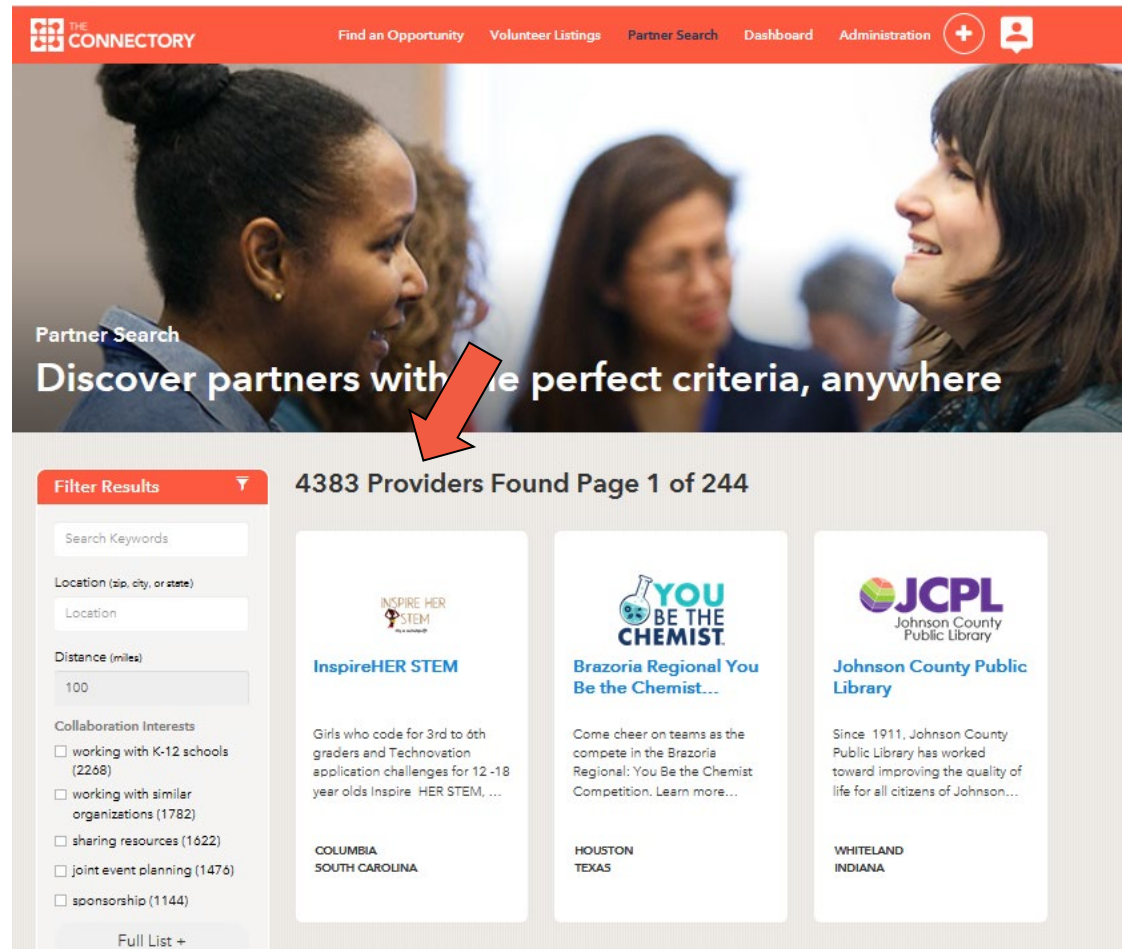
Carolina Outdoor Fun
Halloween Pirate Camp Out
Pirate treasure hunt, pumpkin painting, fishing, kayaking, archery, bottle rockets, crafts, camp fire hot dog roast...
10/03/2020 - 10/03/2020
\$101-\$500
PITTSBORO
NORTH CAROLINA
DROP-IN

The Connectory Updates

Coming Soon:

Change terminology of
Program to **Provider**.

Opportunity will remain
Opportunity.

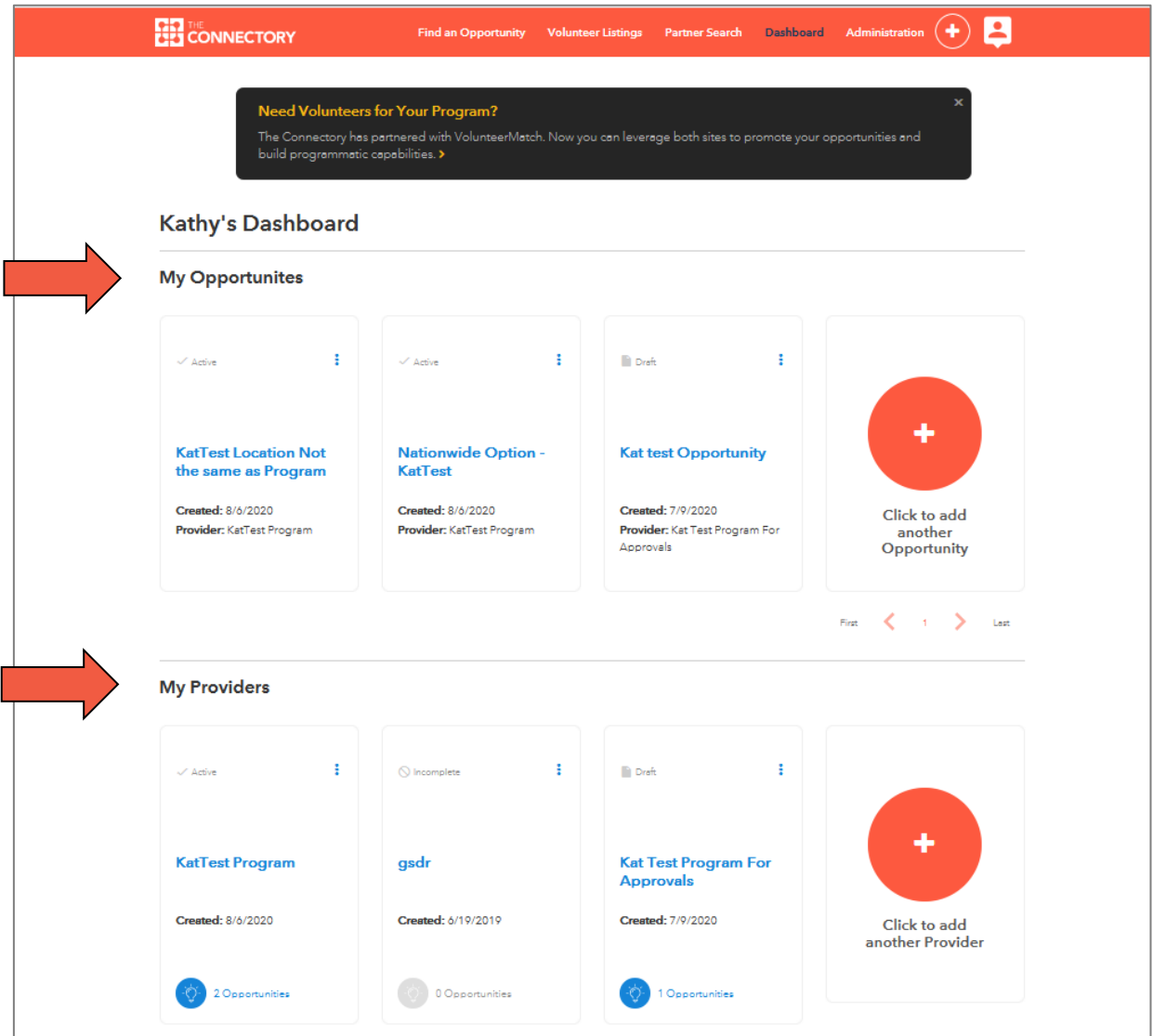


The Connectivity Updates

Coming Soon:

Change layout of Dashboard to resemble STARportal model.

1. **My Opportunities** listed on top
2. **My Providers** listed under Opportunities



The Connector Editorial Calendar

October

- World Space Week (Oct 4-10)
- Cyber Security Awareness Month
- Computer Learning Month
- Disability Employment Awareness (CSForAll Commitment)

November

- National STEM Day (Nov 8)

December

- CSEdWeek (Dec 7-13)
- Hour of Code



Emerging Issues

Follow up on May Discussion: How can The Connectory and the Exchanges be more responsive to the need for online resources?

- Changing terminology to alleviate user confusion (in progress)
- Change terminology on Find an Opportunity page: Opportunities Near You Now to Featured Opportunities (not started)
- Find an Opportunity page – update to automatically load Online Learning and Competition opportunities regardless of zip code location (done)
- Adding pop-up box messaging letting families know we've increased the number of online learning and home-based opportunities. (not started – leaning towards not implementing)
- Investigate adding user dashboard that includes simple automated reporting (not started -may require funding)
- Vetting online opportunities/resources. Consider quality indicators to create a rubric. Highlight those that meet criteria and inform audience why we are elevating these specific opps/resources. (not started)

Emerging Issues

New topics to discuss?



Next Meeting

- Late Jan or early Feb 2021?
- Agenda Items and Topics of interest

