Organizer Guide 2027

Open Source Week | August 29 – September 4, 2027

National flagship: September 3–4, 2027, Prairieland Park, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

1. Purpose of this guide

This guide helps community groups, educational institutions, and partner organizations plan local activities for Open Source Week 2027. Local events are independently organized; the national flagship takes place in Saskatoon.

2. Who can organize an event?

Linux user groups, schools, colleges, universities, libraries, community organizations, and businesses may propose activities. Events should be welcoming, educational, and focused on open technologies.

3. Suggested event formats

Linux introductory workshops; talks; open-source software demonstrations; installation sessions; local user group meetups; cybersecurity sessions; student project showcases; digital sovereignty discussions.

4. Planning and scheduling

Define your audience, objectives, venue, date, budget, and volunteers. Choose a date between August 29 and September 4, 2027. Confirm accessibility, equipment, internet connectivity, and venue safety requirements.

5. Listings and promotion

Publish the essentials: event name, date, time zone, venue, accessibility, agenda, intended audience, any fees, and contact details. Submit your event to the Linux Association of Canada event calendar and promote it through local networks.

6. Visual identity and logos

Use the official Open Source Week 2027 logo as the primary event identity. Keep the Linux Association of Canada logo visible but secondary. Preserve proportions, colours, and clear space; do not redraw either logo. Local organizers should also clearly identify their own organization.

7. Inclusion and accessibility

Provide clear access instructions, readable signage, accessible participation options, and a code of conduct. Respect attendee privacy and seek consent before publishing photographs.

8. Speakers, volunteers, and partners

Share expectations and schedules in advance. Distinguish sponsors from organizers. Do not claim Association endorsement, partnership, or funding without confirmation.

9. Event-day delivery and follow-up

Prepare a simple run of show, a welcome lead, a technical backup plan, and a way to gather feedback. Afterwards, share a short recap, outcomes, and consented photos with the Association.

10. Student Innovation Challenge 2027

Help schools, colleges, and universities discover the Student Innovation Challenge. The program welcomes projects using Linux and open technologies, subject to the official program rules. Details: linuxassociation.ca/student-innovation-challenge/

11. Resources and contact

Website: linuxassociation.ca/open-source-week/ | Association: linuxassociation.ca. For coordination questions, use the official contact details published on the Association website.

Important notice

This is a planning resource. Listing a local activity does not imply official endorsement, funding, or insurance coverage by the Linux Association of Canada.