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### Google pledges \$1 Billion to prepare workers for tech jobs

**New initiative comes as Silicon Valley faces scrutiny over the implications of technology and automation on jobs**

**PITTSBURGH, PA // BDPA Pittsburgh //** – CNET reported on Thursday, October 12, 2017, Google’s introduction of \$1 billion in new initiatives aimed at training and educating workers to help them find jobs and grow their businesses during a *Grow with Google* event. Google’s CEO, Sundar Pichai (right) stated the search giant will spend the money over the next five years to fund grants directly to nonprofits globally as part of efforts to prepare people for the “changing nature of work.”

*TechCrunch* also reported Google is committing \$10 million to Goodwill as part of this initiative — the largest Google.org has committed to one organization. That money will be used to help launch the **Goodwill Digital Career Accelerator**, aimed at preparing the American workforce for high-tech jobs. *Grow with Google* also will take the form of a national tour hosted by libraries and community organizations aimed at bringing training and career advice directly to local towns and cities. That’s part of the company’s goal of committing one million hours to employee volunteering over the next five years.

Google says it doesn’t want to leave anyone behind as technology changes the way people live and work. Discover more by visiting <https://bdpatoday.com>. **bt**

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### Next-Gen Workforces look to Trillion-Dollar Tech Industry for *stronger Partnerships* and *real Economic Development*

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