



Discover your contribution-magic

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Room: Alfa | Track: Community



*I want
to contribute
to PostgreSQL!*



***Have you actually
ever written
a patch?***



*Okay,
and the **rest** of you?*



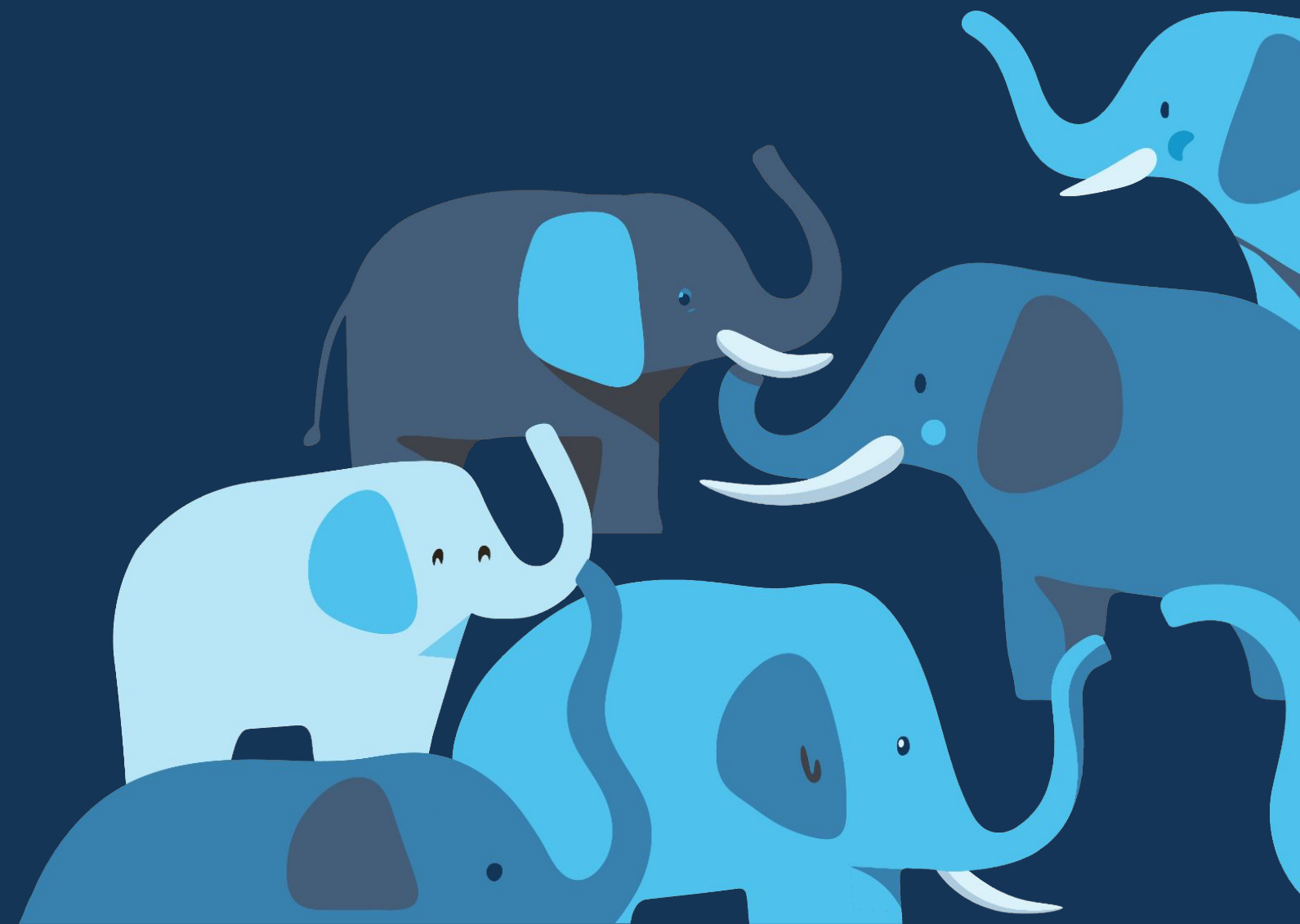
***Your personal skills
— technical or not —
are valuable
to PostgreSQL.***



Let me share some numbers

About the community

- PG18: 279 code authors
- Telegram PostgreSQL chat: 2.300 people
- 265 named contributors
<https://www.postgresql.org/community/contributors/>
- [PGConf.eu](#) 2024 (Athens) with 780 people



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PostgreSQL Contributions | postgres-contrib.org



1. PostgreSQL: A result from community efforts
2. Find your place in 3 easy steps
3. Practical Examples



PostgreSQL

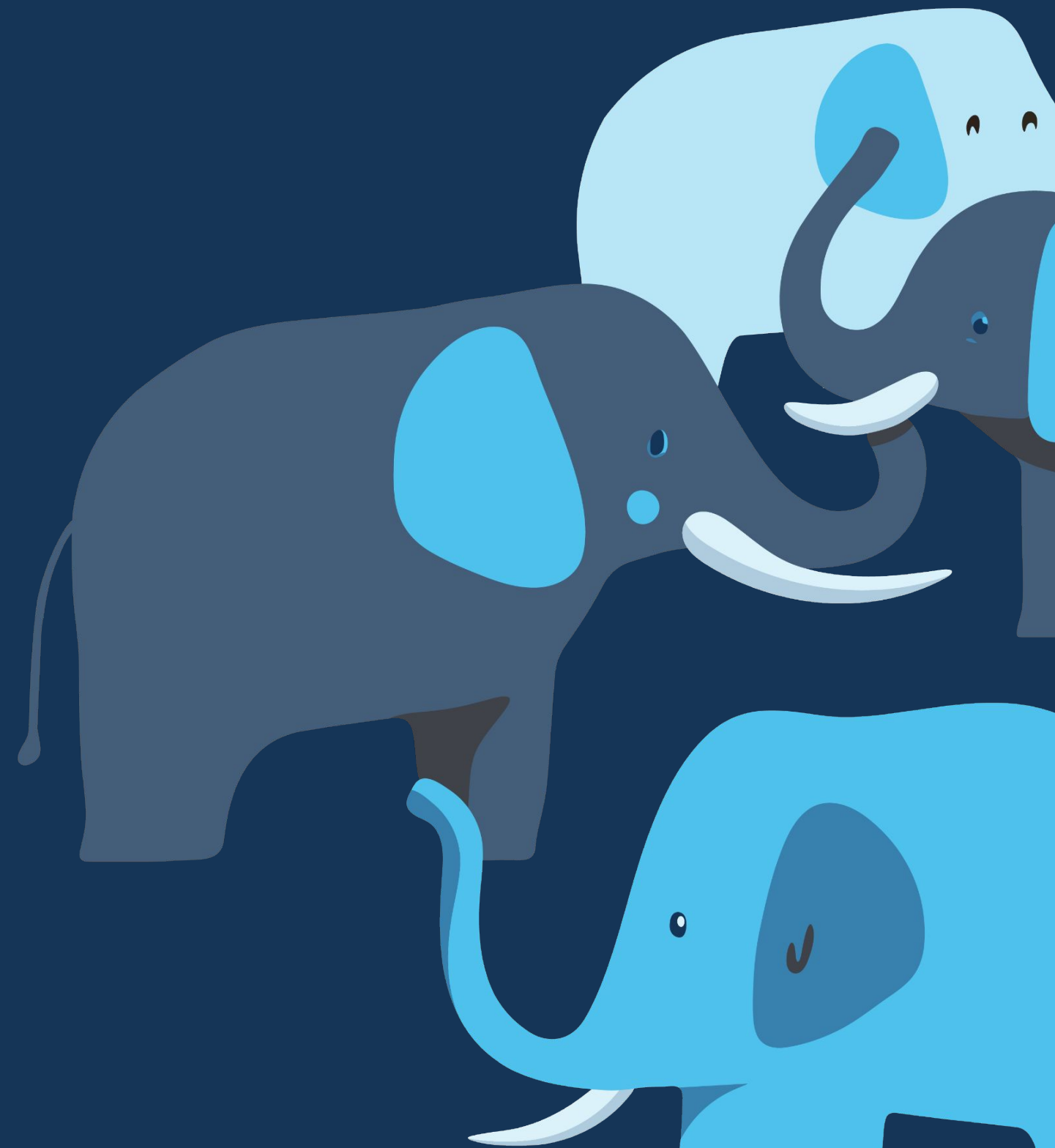
A result from community efforts



Importance of Contributing

Working with or at PostgreSQL

- A community is needed to shape the features
- User-centered development
- Every contribution matters — PostgreSQL exists because of Contributors



Code contribution

- patching
- fixing
- bug reporting
- active code writing
- ...

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Meetups



Conferences



PostgreSQL
code

Mailing Lists



Wiki



You need a community (a village)
for the complete picture



You need a community for the complete picture

- Documentation Writers & Editors
- Advocates & Ambassadors
- Testers & QA Contributors
- Designers / UX Contributors
- Community Builders & Organizers
- Marketing & Outreach
- Educators & Trainers
- Users
- Sponsors & Donors
- and many more!



Full List of Contribution-Types to become a named contributor

- **Code:** Author, review, test, and/or commit patches that are pushed to the primary PostgreSQL git repository, and/or to closely related external projects such as PostGIS, pgjdbc, PGAdmin
- **Translation:** user facing messages in source code, documentation
- **Community mailing list participation:** report bugs, suggest features, contribute to ongoing discussions, answer questions, list moderation
- **Governance of the PostgreSQL project or community recognized NPOs:** Core Team, NPO Board of Directors, NPO Officers, NPO Committees
- **Maintenance and operation of community controlled infrastructure:** Sysadmin Team, Web Team
- **Other Community recognized committee participation:** Security, Code of Conduct
- **Management of the development process and software lifecycle:** Commitfest managers, Release Management Team, Release Team, Packagers, Buildfarm animal maintenance
- **Organization and execution of community recognized conferences:** Organizing committee, Selection Committee, Speakers, Volunteers
- **Open Education:** PostgreSQL related blogs, articles, uncompensated training/tutorials
- **Open Support (in addition to community mailing lists):** #postgresql IRC channel, Postgres slack channel, Stack Overflow





Find your place

in 3 easy steps



3 Steps

To find your place to contribute to the community

1

Listen

Start your journey

2

Participate

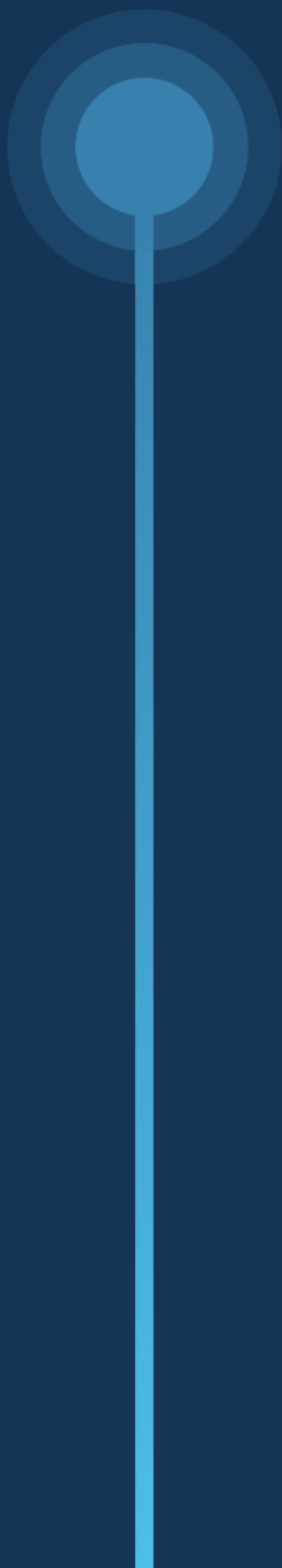
Become active

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Shape

Turn your strengths
into a contribution





Step 1: Listen

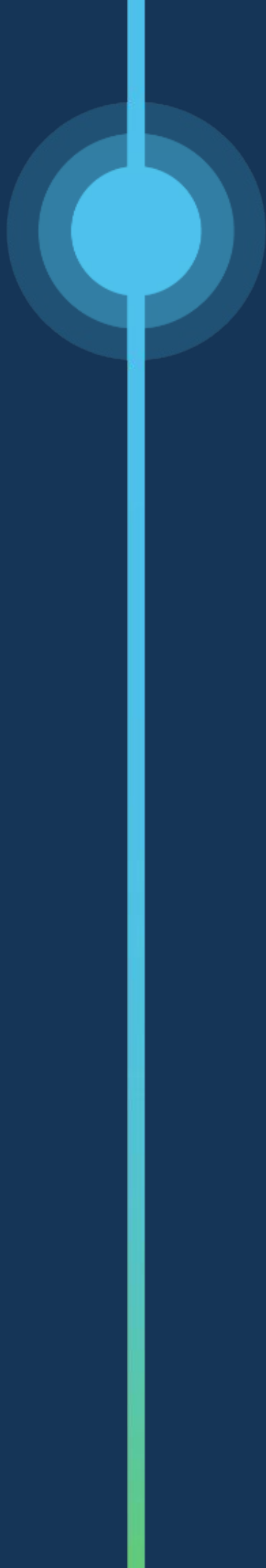
Start your community journey

Inhale and embrace what is happening around you in the community

Action items:

- Attend conferences (<https://momjian.us/main/events/2025.html>)
- Join telegram channels
- Become a member (PostgreSQL Europe / US)
- Subscribe to mailing lists (<https://lists.postgresql.org/>)
- Read the wiki (<https://wiki.postgresql.org/>)





Step 2: Participate

Get active & take your first steps into contributing

Get active under supervision and guidance

Action items:

- Sign up as a volunteer at the next conference
- Meet other community members
- Send over contributions to <https://postgres-contrib.org/>
- Join specific groups (e.g.: Diversity Task Force)



Volunteer Schedule

Access ical version

Time	Title	Count	Volunteers	
2025-10-20 (Monday)				
15:00 - 17:00	Prepare conference (nametags, last minute details)	8 / 8 (min 4)	Karen Jex	confirmed
			Cornelia Biacsics	confirmed
			Devrim Gündüz	confirmed
			Matthijs van der Vleuten	confirmed
			Sergey Dudoladov	confirmed
			Naeem Akhter	confirmed
			Samed YILDIRIM	confirmed
			Josef Machytka	unconfirmed
2025-10-21 (Tuesday)				
07:30 - 18:30	Gopher	3 / 3	Dave Page	unconfirmed
			Andreas 'ads' Scherbaum	confirmed
			Magnus Hagander	confirmed
08:00 - 13:00	Registration desk (Community Events Day)	2 / 4 (min 3)	Claire Page	confirmed
			Jan Wieremjewicz	confirmed
			Sign up	
08:15 - 08:45	Community Celebration	2 / 2 (min 1)	Cornelia Biacsics	confirmed
			Devrim Gündüz	confirmed



Step 3: Shape

Contribute to the project

Turn your strengths into a common good for the community and the project

Action items:

- Share your knowledge (submit a talk)
- Organize meetups
- Host a group
- Help others with contributing



Special Shoutouts

Some examples

- <https://postgresql.life/> - Andreas Scherbaum
- pg_karaoke: Floor Drees
- pg_chess: Derk Van Veen
- Book authors: Jimmy Angelakos, Elly Phneah, etc.
- Room-Host Guide: Boriss Mejias
- Public Speaking: Gülçin Yıldırım Jelínek & Sarah Conway & Derk Van Veen



3 Steps

To find your place to contribute to the community



*Code makes PostgreSQL run,
but people make PostgreSQL
grow.*



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to PostgreSQL!*



Questions

Now or later



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PGDay Austria returns in 2026

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COMING SOON

I'd love to hear your feedback about my talk

10:25 – 10:55



Room: Alfa

Track: Community (25 minutes)

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