



President Obama Asks Todd Park to Continue Administration Service in New Role after Returning to Silicon Valley

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Park's focus will be recruiting more top tech talent like [Mikey Dickerson](#) into government and identifying innovative ways to improve the quality of government digital services, two central goals of the President's [Smarter IT Delivery agenda](#). He will also help ensure that the Administration has an on-the-ground sense of how technology is evolving and can craft policy and initiatives accordingly.

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-- President Obama, 8/28/2014

President Obama said today, "From launching the Presidential Innovation Fellows program, to opening up troves of government data to the public, to helping spearhead the successful turnaround of HealthCare.gov, Todd has been, and will continue to be, a key member of my Administration. I thank Todd for his service as my Chief Technology

Officer, and look forward to his continuing to help us deploy the best people and ideas from the tech community in service of the American people.”

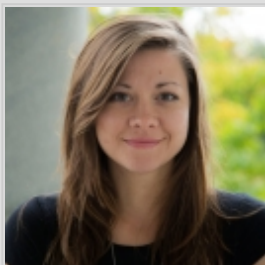
White House Office of Science and Technology Policy Director and Assistant to the President John Holdren added, “I’m deeply grateful for Todd’s tireless efforts as U.S. Chief Technology Officer to improve the way government works and to generate better outcomes for the American people. We will miss him at the Office of Science and Technology Policy, but we’re fortunate Todd will continue to apply his considerable talents to the Obama Administration’s ongoing efforts to bring the country’s best technologists into the Federal Government.”

Park said, “It continues to be the greatest honor of my life to serve the President and the country that I love so very much. I look forward to doing everything I can in my new role to help bring more and more of the best talent and best ideas from Silicon Valley and across the nation into government.”

The move and new role allow Park to return home to Silicon Valley in time for the start of his children’s school year. He and his wife have planned to move back to California for a long time and, after multiple extensions of his time in Washington, he is fulfilling his family’s desire to move back home.

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