



Suma is a frontline-led digital justice nonprofit that imagines and builds an inclusive technology future for all communities.

“Suma” means “sum, total, addition, or combination” in Spanish. The suma app aggregates opportunities for frontline communities to access discounts and subsidies, making the whole greater than the sum of its parts.

Our long-term vision

Suma is building an inclusive technology future with low-income people, people of color, adults with disabilities, and other frontline communities that are exploited, harmed, or ignored by the tech sector.

The suma platform (in English and Spanish) helps low-income households save money on basic goods and services while building community resilience against climate change, poverty, and racial injustice.

Climate change

Suma breaks down the barriers to tech that prevent communities from accessing sustainable food, clean transportation, and clean energy.

Poverty

Suma helps communities access affordable food, transportation, and utilities.

Racial injustice

An extractive digital economy exploits our communities — but through the suma platform, we foster strength and solidarity.

Every day, frontline communities use their creativity, ingenuity, and trust networks to access essential resources. This work is stressful, time consuming, and leaves significant antipoverty resources — like discounts and subsidies — on the table.

By supporting the suma platform, you’re investing in technology that builds on the ingenuity and trust in our frontline communities while taking time and stress off the shoulders of low-income people.

Our team and communities

Suma is by and of frontline communities — our diverse team speaks Spanish and English and includes: software engineers, data justice and privacy scholars, affordable housing providers, legal counsel, financial advisors, and entrepreneurs.

Suma’s all-BIPOC board includes members of the Black, Latinx and Pacific Islander communities, and most have experienced low incomes.

Our Impact

Our users

Of 9700 people served in a recent year:

- **9200** were people of color
- **3500** were immigrants or refugees
- **1250** were living with a disability
- **4500** were low-income

Our impact

During suma’s 2022 Holiday Special:

- Users paid **\$10** for a meal for 4-6 people with a value of **\$180**
- Users saved a total of over **\$8,000**
- **91%** of participants said they would like to stay involved.

What’s next for suma?

We will be adding these services to the platform:

2023:

- Clean mobility
- Farmers markets

2024:

- Major food retailer
- Utility providers

2025:

- Multiple food, transportation & utility options for suma users