

# Free And Open Source Software (Use Computer Technology For Happier Living)

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It's been cool to see how far open source software has come since I started using PCs. I used OpenOffice (now defunct) in college and the downgrade from Microsoft Office was pretty undeniable. I use LibreOffice now, a successor to OpenOffice, and I can't even imagine wanting to pay for a software license in that area.

I have also used (or attempted to use):

- Linux Mint and Ubuntu (though I'm currently on Windows)
- TeX family typesetting markup languages (primarily LaTeX)
- Audacity audio editing
- OpenShot video editing
- Blender for animation and 3D modeling

But probably the area in which open source software most clearly impacts my life is in the modding communities of the Steam games I play.