

## **Stretch your Software Budget with Free Software**

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### **Productivity Software**

Open Office: <http://www.openoffice.org/>

Lotus Symphony: <http://symphony.lotus.com/software/lotus/symphony/home.nsf/home>

PDF Creator: <http://sourceforge.net/projects/pdfcreator/>

### **Web 2.0 Documents and More**

Google: <http://www.google.com/intl/en/options/>

Zoho: <http://www.zoho.com/>

### **Antivirus**

AVG: <http://free.avg.com/download-avg-anti-virus-free-edition>

Avira Personal Antivirus: <http://www.free-av.com/>

### **Picture/Graphic Editing**

Picaboo: <http://www.picaboo.com>

Microsoft Photo Story 3:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/digitalphotography/PhotoStory/default.mspx>

Picasa 3: <http://picasa.google.com/>

Gimp: <http://www.gimp.org/>

Tux Paint: <http://www.tuxpaint.org/>

### **Web Editing Software**

Web Editing Software Links: <http://www.thefreecountry.com/webmaster/htmleditors.shtml>

Trellian: <http://www.trellian.com/webpage/>

Kompozer (N/Vu): <http://www.kompozer.net/>

## **Sound Editing/Podcasting**

Audacity: <http://audacity.sourceforge.net/>

Easy Podcast: <http://www.easypodcast.com/>

Juice: <http://juicereceiver.sourceforge.net/index.php>

## **Text Readers**

Natural Voice: <http://www.naturalreaders.com/>

Awesome Talking Library: [http://www.awesomelibrary.org/Awesome Talking Library.html](http://www.awesomelibrary.org/Awesome_Talking_Library.html)

## **Content Management**

Concrete5: <http://www.concrete5.org/>

Moodle: <http://moodle.org/>

## **USB Drive/Portable Apps**

Portable Apps <http://portableapps.com/>

MakeUseOf.com <http://www.makeuseof.com/tag/portable-software-usb/>

Penndriverapps.com <http://www.pendriveapps.com/>

## **Tutorial/Screen Capture**

Wink: <http://www.debugmode.com/wink/>

Screen Hunter 5: [http://www.wisdom-soft.com/sh/sh\\_free.htm](http://www.wisdom-soft.com/sh/sh_free.htm)

Cropper: <http://www.snapfiles.com/get/cropper.html>

CamStudio: <http://camstudio.org/>

## Programming

Alice: <http://www.alice.org/>

Storytelling Alice: <http://www.alice.org/kelleher/storytelling/index.html>

Scratch: <http://scratch.mit.edu/>

## Free Software Sites:

Source Forge <http://sourceforge.net/>

Major Geeks: <http://majorgeeks.com/>

Sofotex: <http://www.sofotex.com/download/Education>

Only the Best Freeware: <http://www.onlythebestfreeware.com/>

Free Software Foundation: <http://www.fsf.org/>

The Free Site [http://www.thefreesite.com/Free\\_Software/Anti\\_virus\\_freeware/](http://www.thefreesite.com/Free_Software/Anti_virus_freeware/)

## Tutorials and Forums

There are several tutorials and workshops available on various free-ware and web 2.0 programs at Atomic Learning (<http://www.atomiclearning.com> )

Picasa

PBWiki

Google Docs

Google Earth

Google Blogging Workshop

Google Sketchup

Audacity

Moodle

NVU (web authoring)

Open Office

PB Wiki

Photo Story 3

Del.icio.us

Flickr

GIMP

Lotus Notes

Star Office

Web 2.0 Workshop

## Warnings/Advice

Read conditions of use

Beware of “copycat” download sites

Check for articles and discussion forums