Open Source Software You Can Use Under Windows

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Mozilla – Web browser, email and more

http://www.mozilla.org/

A full featured Browser, Mail and News Suite. It includes advanced options such as tabbed browsing, pop-up blocking, and email spam-filter. The simple Web designer lets you create and publish your own web pages. With the majority of viruses currently being written specifically to exploit the default Windows browser and email client (Internet Explorer and Outlook Express), one of the simplest steps you can take to reduce your exposure to viruses to to switch to an alternate set of applications.

OpenOffice.org – Complete office suite

http://www.openoffice.org/

Includes a word processor, spreadsheet, web page editor and presentation program, in tightly integrated modules. Native PDF and Flash export at a click and a macro recorder for increased productivity. You can create mail merged documents from an address book or other data sources. Documents are saved in open standard XML files, which ensures future availability of the data and decreases the required storage space. It also reads and writes files in a wide range of formats, including MS-Office.

Abiword – Word processor

http://www.abisource.com/

A light weight, stand alone word processor that can read and write a large number of document formats, including MS-Word. Due to its small size it is well suited for older hardware, and will run happily on a 486DX with 16MB of RAM, while still letting you edit all the relevant document format of today.

The Gimp – Photo manipulation

http://www.gimp.org/

Used for photo retouching, image composition and image authoring. Numerous plugins, scripts and filters are available, and mass conversion or editing can be done using its batch capabilities.

Audacity – Sound editor and effects

http://audacity.sourceforge.net/

A sound editing program which can record, playback, and mix sounds or apply effects using a variety of filters. Edit your sounds using Cut, Copy and Paste (with unlimited Undo) and mix tracks together. Save your files in a variety of formats, including WAV, MP3, OGG and AIFF.

Celestia – 3D space simulator

http://www.shatters.net/celestia/

A simulation of the known universe, based on current astronomical information. Beautifully rendered planets, moons, and orbital bodies such as the International Space Station. You can visit other stars, or even travel outside the galaxy. You have complete

control over time and space, so you can view the stars from your chosen location and epoch.

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