

Homelessness

Resource

Kiosk



Brian Johnson

Brian is a hustler, working to find jobs and resources. He has experience cycling through the system, some good, some bad, which allows him to be a navigator for individuals that are newly homeless. He is working to get housing again, previous placements have failed to help stabilize him.

Brian Johnson

Has been in the homeless community for 34 years



Motivators

Build meaningful relationships

Survive another day

Give back to the community

Share with newcomers in the community

Find affordable housing



Frustrations

Criminal background

Mental Health

Substance use

Bad credit

Strained relationship with some providers

"The information you get on the flyers is totally outdated."
-BRIAN



Kaitlyn Reynolds

Kaitlyn has experienced housing instability but has "aged" out of services. She has to learn now to navigate a new system. She didn't score high enough on the C.A. to get an immediate housing placement, which she needs to get her son back from CPS. She is worried about going to a shelter and being seperated from her long-term partner.

KAITLYN REYNOLDS

Has been in the homeless community for 1 month



Motivators

Take care of her son

Find affordable housing

Keep her family together

Get her job back

Not have to sell her car



Frustrations

Didn't finish high school

History of drug use

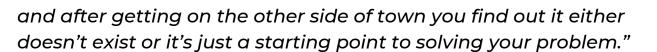
Separation from her partner

Transportation to a job

Finding reliable information

Donna





"It's so frustration when they tell you where to go to get help

-DONNA

The Problem

The homeless community is dealing with lack of current, trustworthy information.

Our Solution

Our proposal is a crowdsourced kiosk and website that collects information from members of the homeless community about services that are available to them. This allows members to gain information without losing independence.

Kiosk & Website

- Wikipedia + Yelp
- Placed throughout the city
- Printable Directions

- 1. Medical
- 2. Housing
- 3. Food
- 4. Legal Help
- 5. Benefit Assistance
- 6. Storage
- 7. Transportation
- 8. Safety
- 9. Family Services
- 10. Pets
- 11. Employment
- 12. Recreation

Testing

We created paper prototypes of our screens and tested what services individuals would expect on the home page. Then we tested what next screen would look like after "clicking" on a button.



Feedback

"If you make it a phone people will abuse it."

"[You need to] keep track of where the nearest restrooms are that you can use."

"Can't lump all the homeless people together. Not everyone knows how to use a computer."

- Correct Vocabulary
- Printing
- Accessibility

Kiosk Demo



Summary

- Users
- Problem
- Solution
- Testing & feedback
- Kiosk prototype

Next Steps

- Testing in homeless communities
- Reward Program
- Visual Design



Thank you!