

# IN4MATX 148 Team

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# Main symptoms of nervousness

- Feeling restless or tense
- Having an increased heart rate
- Breathing rapidly (hyperventilation)
- Trembling
- <u>Sweating</u>

Source: <u>Mayo Clinic</u>

# How can we relieve feelings of nervousness?



# Ways to relieve nerves

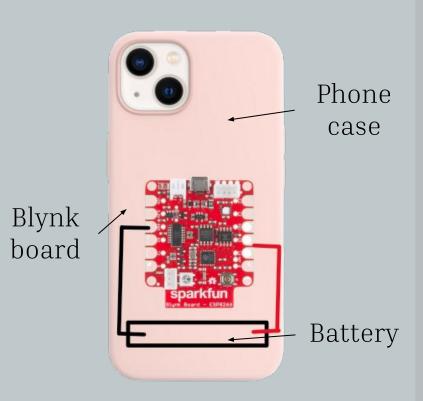
Breathing exercises

Positive affirmations

**Distractions** 



# Emotional support phone case



- Source: Sparkfun

# How our device relieves nerves

The Blynk Board's humidity sensor will sense the user's sweaty palms and activate the following:

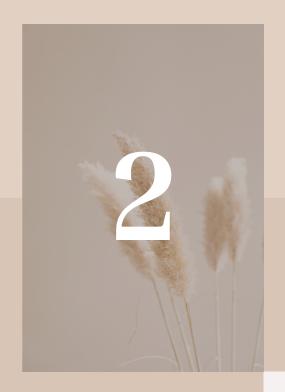
**Breathing exercises:** sends Blynk in-app notification with instructions for breathing exercises

**Positive affirmations:** uses VoIP call Webhook in the IFTTT app to provide user with positive affirmations



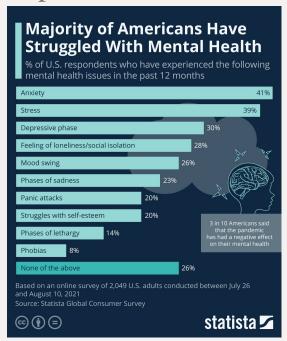
**Distractions:** triggers RGB party to distract the user from whatever is making the user nervous

Why do people need emotional support smart objects?



### Social Need

#### Improve mental health



Source: Statista

#### Low cost

- Average cost of psychotherapy is around \$100-\$200 **per session**
- Not all insurances cover mental health services
- Children and adolescents with low socioeconomic status are exposed to a **higher** risk of developing mental health problems

Source: <u>Forbes</u> and <u>National Library of</u> Medicine

Why a phone case?



## Competitors



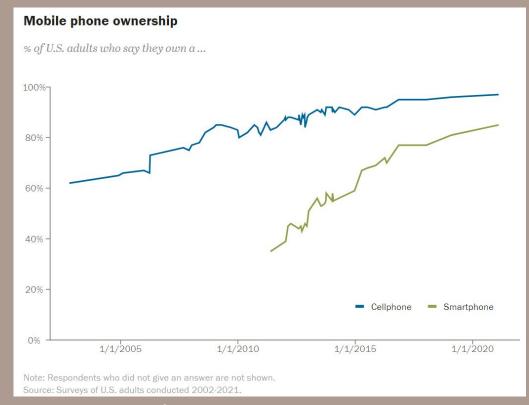
## Oura Ring

Focuses on tracking and improving sleep - an important aspect of mental health



Apollo Neuro

Uses non-invasive touch therapy to send silent, soothing vibrations to the body according to a daily schedule the user chooses



#### Source: <u>Pew Research</u>

#### Our product's competitive edge

#### According to Pew Research:

- "The vast majority of Americans – 97% – now own a cellphone of some kind"
- of that 97%, 85% own a smartphone

# Most Americans have a phone case:

- Convenient/discreet
- Doesn't collect as much biometric data
  - Oura Ring is \$299-\$349 USD
  - Apollo Neuro is \$349 USD

# Data will likely not be compromised, as we are using a secure third-party product

## Security

According to the Blynk website, the in-app messaging is secure and encrypted

The device also uses "granular permission" which means that there is a hierarchy in the levels of access to the data.

Blynk application also uses an integrated verification process, where users can log in with their email addresses

