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### **Background**

#### **Problem**

Average food insecurity rate in Canada:

47%







#### **Problem Statement**

"While 1.3 billion tons of food is wasted annually, 828 million people go hungry due to broken donation systems plagued by high spoilage rates, unreliable volunteer networks, and poor communication between donors and recipients. This disconnect wastes perfectly edible food, generates harmful methane emissions, and leaves nearby shelters unable to consistently serve those in need"





## Background

## **Challenge**

- About 1 in 4 people in Canada are food insecure
- If food wastage was a 'country' it would be 3rd largest contributor of greenhouse gases,





#### **Background**

#### Goal

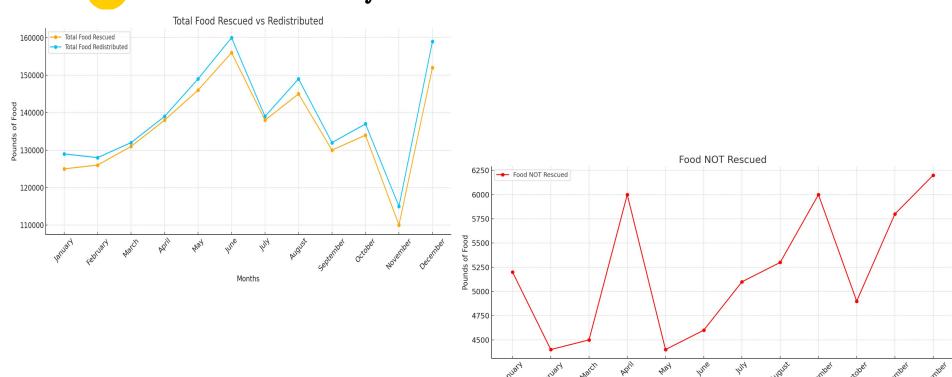
 Create a centralized platform to connect donors, volunteers, and shelters

#### **Solution**

- Reduce spoilage by 15% in 6 months
- Match food types with community needs



#### Month wise analysis of food rescued vs not rescued



Months





#### **Data Source**

Food Stash 2024 data:

23% of avoidable food waste is caused by best before from processing to purchase dates . \$58B The total value of avoidable food waste every year.

#### **Total Rescued**

1,675,329 lbs

**Total Not Rescued** 

62,266 lbs

Avg Rescued/Month

139,610 lbs

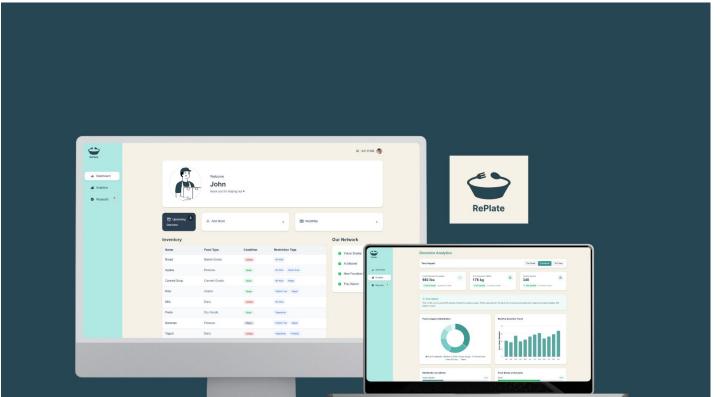
**Spoilage Rate** 

3.6%





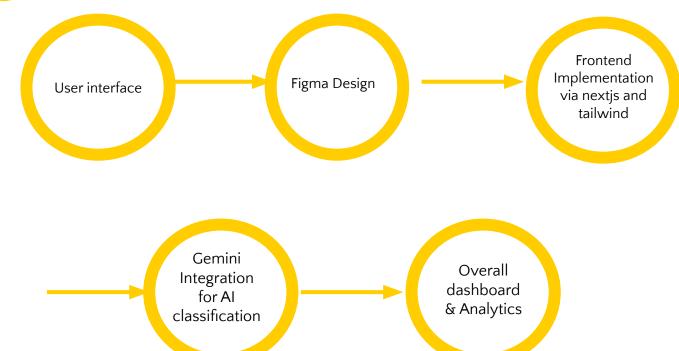
#### **Website Demonstration**







## **Model Pipeline**





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# **Testing Images Used**















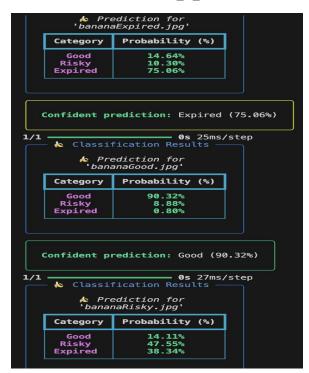


#### **Method of Classification**

- Fine Tuned & Tested 3 different models using custom images (for each fruit)
  - EfficientNetBO
  - MobileNetV2
  - ResNet50
- Models compared
  - For Banana: Best Model Taken (MobileNetV2) due to significantly higher accuracy (as shown in earlier result)
  - For Apple: Average of result of all 3 models displayed
- Further tuning image classification might be needed to improve accuracy (more images = higher accuracy).



## ML Model Predictions -Bananas & Apples



| Average Predictions for 'appleExpired.jpg':                 |
|---|
| Category   Probability                                      |
| Good   0.07%<br>Risky   22.54%<br>Expired   77.39%          |
| Prediction: EXPIRED (77.39%) Moderate                       |
| <pre>Meanure Average Predictions for 'appleGood.jpg':</pre> |
| Category   Probability                                      |
| Good   97.12%<br>Risky   2.83%<br>Expired   0.05%           |
| Prediction: GOOD (97.12%) Very Confident                    |
| <pre>    Average Predictions for 'appleRisky.jpg':</pre>    |
| Category   Probability                                      |
| Good   9.84%<br>Risky   79.44%<br>Expired   10.69%          |
| Prediction: RISKY (79.44%) Moderate                         |





#### **Future Improvements**

#### **Expanding Our Reach**

We're focused on expanding Re-Plate by onboarding local businesses and shelters in pilot areas and using their feedback to fine-tune the platform.

#### **Smarter, Simpler Tools**

a mobile app, geolocation matching, and volunteer routing to make donating surplus food faster, easier, and more efficient.

#### **Boosting Impact**

With in-app messaging and impact dashboards, we're strengthening connections and helping users see the real difference they're making in their communities





# Thanks!

Any questions?