

Website ReDesign

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Background







Engedi Refuge provides safety and restoration for women who

The Client

Engedi Refuge serves women, 18 or older, who have experienced sexual exploitation, and are ready to receive help overcoming the negative effects of sex trafficking. Engedi's program is uniquely designed to help women find healing and regain dignity and respect, with Trauma Informed and Survivor Involved therapy and curriculums.

The Problem

The problems currently with the website are assets and colors bringing a very outdated, and feeling less trustworthy. As a website that wants to help women, create donations, and answer questions, information hierarchy will be key in helping direct the target audience away from what the troubled audience needs.

Client Goals

- Help more
 women
 through easy
 accessibility
 to the cite.
- DecreaseBounce Rate
- Build a trustworthy feeling space

User Goals

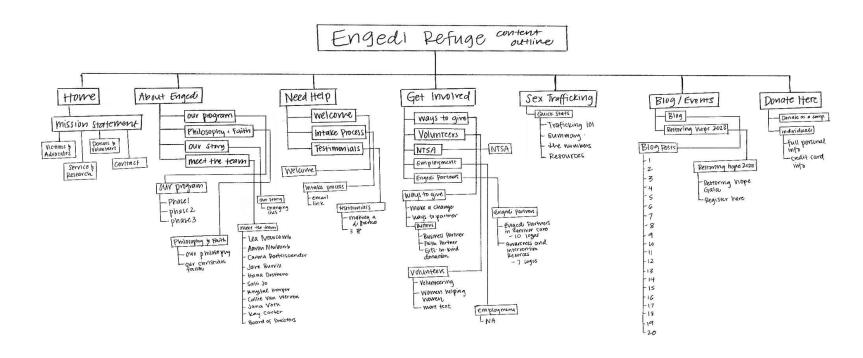
- Access help needed
- Donate
- Learn about Human Trafficking
- Learn how the EngediRefuge helps

Brand Goals

- Increase overall brand awareness
- Build a community
- Better
 communication
 through assets
 and tone

My Approach to the Solution:

My approach was to begin by identifying the problem, I did this by being a user on the site and imagining the different users using the site then the client and brand goals. Once established. I dove into what the website held, page by page to identify what pages held the most information. Through this process, understand the website inside and out and how to best navigate my future designs.





Rachel User Personas

Age: 24
Job: NA
Status: Single
Location:
Greater Whatcom County

About:

Rachel is currently being human trafficked, she has been under the control of a pimp for 6 years after she ran away from her single abusive father at age 18. She dreams of becoming a Dentist and being a mom. She loves art, coffee and being outside. She is currently being trafficked up and down the 15 corridor, never in one place for too long.

Needs:

- A Home
- Structure
- Support System

Pain Points:

- Has no money
- Has no transportation
- Unaware of available services



Susan

User Personas

Age: 71
Job: Retired
Status: Married
Location: Fairhaven

About:

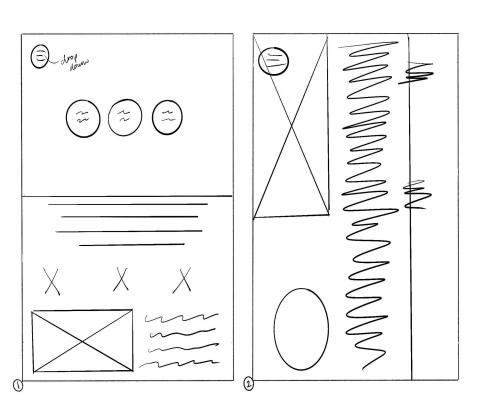
Susan is a 71 year old grandmother, wife and retired massage therapist. She loves spending time with her 3 daughters, grandkids and in her garden. Her and her husband have recently come into some money and are looking for a local cause to donate too.

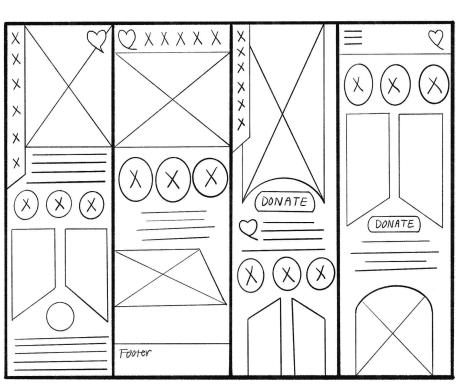
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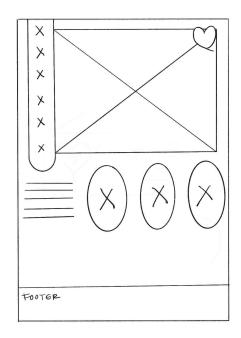
- Volunteer hours
- A good cause
- Trustworthy information

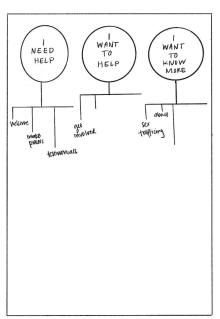
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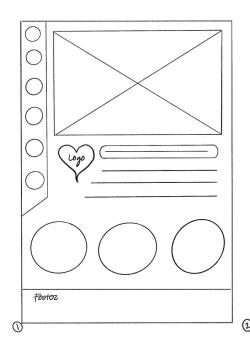
- Unaware of available services
- Needs to have trust in a non-profit
- Wants to do more than just give money away

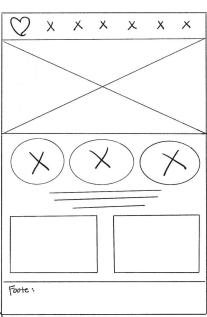










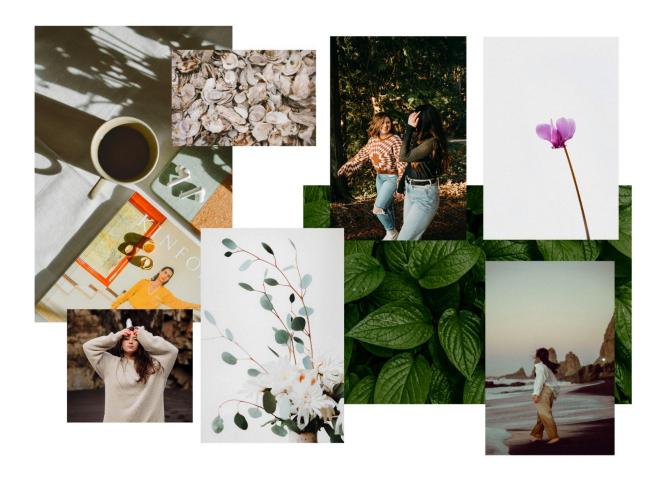


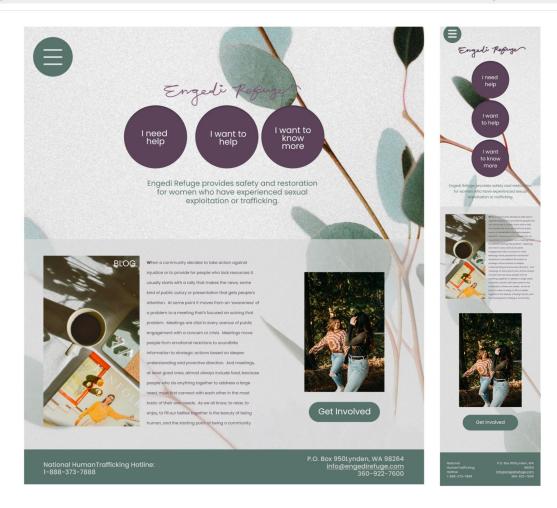
Useability Testing

During usability testing, users had some issues navigating to any of my pages.

Since not all my buttons linked to real pages, this also caused some confusion.

In the end, I reworked some of the buttons and their pathways to ease navigation.







If you are looking for a safe place to get away from a 'boyfriend' or 'trafficker' who has been selling you for sex, we are here for you. If you've been selling yourself for sex to survive, and are ready to make a change, we are here for you. If prostitution or sex trafficking is part of your past, and you are looking for support and recovery we are here for

The survivors who have come to Engedi have had similar experiences. Engedi has encouraged and supported these survivors to change their lives for the better. Welcome. You are worthy of safety. We have a safe and private house where you will be taken care of throughout our program. Engedi offers professional counselors that are ready to speak with you, teachers and mentors that are ready to guide you, and learning experiences to help you through your recovery. You will learn how valuable you are as a person, and how strong you are as a survivor. If you'd like to talk with someone on our staff about Engedi's program, or would like assistance filling out an application, please call our office at (360) 922-7600. Our team will greet you and talk you through our simple application form, and let you know what to expect about openings at Engedi Refuge. These conversations are confidential and we will not compromise your safety. We look forward to helping you move forward throughout

National Human Trafficking 1-888-373-7888 If you want to get in touch

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Summary:

Sexual exploitation can come in many forms, such as; participating in pomography, dancing in strip clubs, prostitution, being forced or occred to perform sex acts against your will be better judgment where there was an exchange of money or anything of value, or being used or sold for sex as a minor by parents, guardians, or anythere sets, (we call this &er Indifficially. These experiences can be extremely damaging to a person on many levels the Numbers:

in the U.S. the commercial sex industry exploits hundreds of thousands of people, mostly women and girls, and about 30% of them are minors. The trumum they endours, and the post-troumatic stress they continue to live with, is described by clinical psychologists as even greater than tortured prisoners of war, (Judith Herman, MD, Tromum and Recovery?)

- Stats on prostituted or sexually trafficked people in the U.S.:

 The average age on entry into prostitution is 13.
- Roughly 60% are runaways and have been registered in the Foster Care
 Sustainer
- Under- age girls and boys are sold for sex 10 15 times per day.
- The average price tag to sexually assault an under-age girl is \$400 per
 hour.
 - 73% physically assaulted by customers
- · 59% physically abused by trafficker
- 64% assaulted with a weapon
- 53% have been raped (often multiple times)
- 68% have severe PTSD (twice the rate of war veterans)
- 75% have no safe place to go away from their trafficker
- 89% admit that they want out of prostitution





Human Trafficking

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Challenges

The challenges of this project came mostly when I brought my design into figma. The designing itself went well but when it came to creating buttons, and paths I started to struggle.

This also became a problem after UX testing since there was not a lot of improvement.

Reflection

Overall, I think that is was a successful redesign of the Engedi Refuge website. The main problems I addressed where assets and colors bringing a very outdated, information organization, and overall feeling less trustworthy. The website was successfully redesigned with these in mind.