

# ABSTRACT

This project showcases the development and deployment of a customized Salesforce CRM solution for **HandsMen Threads**, a premium men's fashion and tailoring brand. The primary goal of the system is to streamline business operations, strengthen customer engagement, and ensure consistent data integrity across all departments.

The solution features a well-structured data model composed of five key custom objects: **Customer**, **Order**, **Product**, **Inventory**, and **Marketing Campaign**. Core business processes were automated using **Record-Triggered Flows**, **Scheduled Flows**, **Email Alerts**, and **Apex**, enabling seamless execution of tasks such as order confirmations, loyalty status updates, and proactive inventory notifications.

To maintain accurate and reliable data, the implementation includes comprehensive **validation rules** and a **role-based security model** tailored for the Sales, Inventory, and Marketing teams. An **Apex scheduled batch job** was also developed to automate monitoring and updates of low-stock items.

This end-to-end CRM solution enhances customer experience through personalized interactions, improves operational efficiency through automation, and establishes a scalable platform for future growth within the Salesforce ecosystem.

# OBJECTIVE

The main goal of this project is to create a customized Salesforce CRM system for **HandsMen Threads** to streamline operations, maintain accurate data, and improve customer satisfaction.

Through a centralized system for managing customers, orders, products, inventory, and marketing, the project aims to:

- Automate essential tasks such as order confirmations, loyalty updates, and stock alerts.
- Maintain accurate and consistent data using validation rules.
- Provide real-time information about inventory and customer activity.

- Improve teamwork and security through role-based access for each department.
- Offer personalized customer experiences through targeted communication and loyalty programs.

## TECHNOLOGY DESCRIPTION

### Salesforce

A cloud-based CRM platform used to manage customer information, automate business processes, and support sales, service, and marketing. Salesforce provides point-and-click tools and coding options (Apex, Flows) for advanced customization.

### Custom Objects

Custom Objects function like database tables used to store specific business data.

Examples:

- **Customer\_c** – stores customer information
- **Product\_c** – stores product details
- **Order\_c** – stores order records

### Tabs

Tabs provide easy access to object data within Salesforce.

Example: A **Product** tab allows users to view and update product information.

### Custom App

A packaged set of tabs and tools organized to serve a specific business function.

## **Profiles**

Profiles control what a user can do in Salesforce—view, edit, delete, or create records. They define core permissions and access levels.

## **Roles**

Roles determine record visibility. Users higher in the role hierarchy can see more data.

## **Permission Sets**

Permission Sets grant additional access to users without modifying their default profile.

## **Validation Rules**

Validation Rules ensure users enter correct and complete data.

Examples:

- Email must include "@gmail.com"
- Stock value cannot be negative

## **Email Templates**

Predefined email layouts used to send consistent messages.

Example: **Order Confirmation Email**

## **Email Alerts**

Automated emails sent based on a trigger or flow action.

Example: Sending an email when a customer's loyalty status changes.

## **Flows**

Automation tools that create, update, or delete records and send notifications.

Examples:

- Automatically send an order confirmation when a new order is created.
- Auto-update loyalty status based on purchase totals.

## Apex

Salesforce's object-oriented programming language used for custom logic.

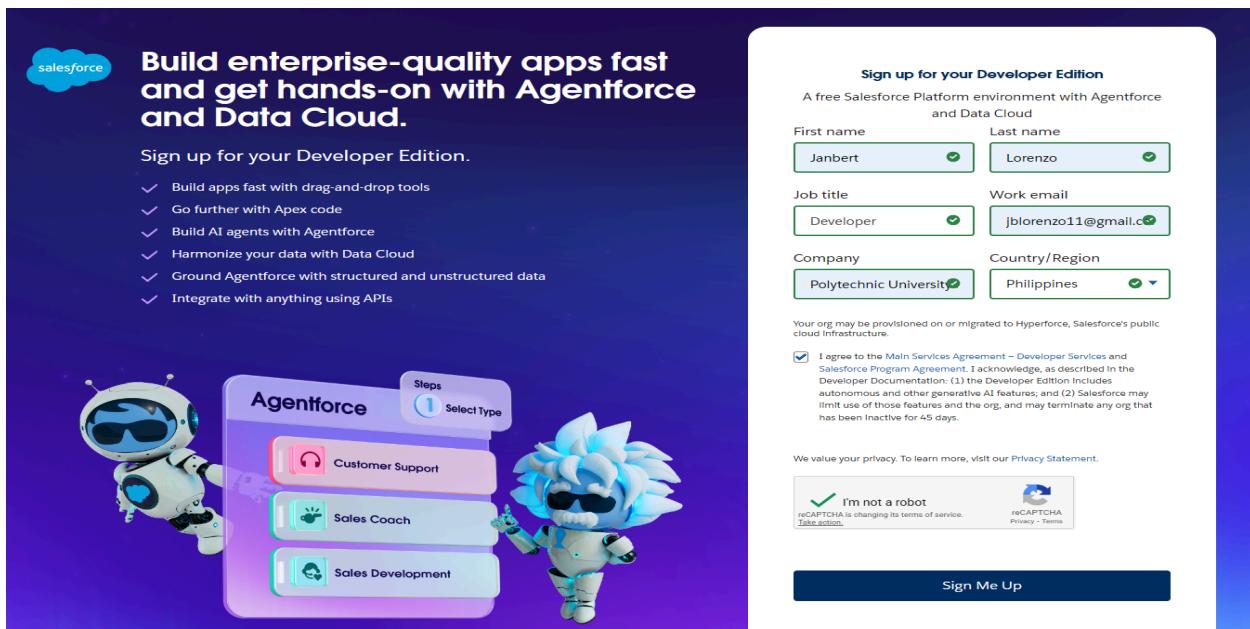
Examples of Apex Trigger usage:

- Updating the **Total\_Amount\_c** field in an Order.
- Reducing inventory stock when a new order is created.

# DETAILED EXECUTION OF PROJECT PHASES

## 1. Developer Org Setup

- A Salesforce Developer Org was created using:  
<https://developer.salesforce.com/signup>.
- This account was verified, password set, and access was granted to the Salesforce Setup page.



- Logged into Salesforce and accessed the **Setup** page.

## 2. Custom Object Creation

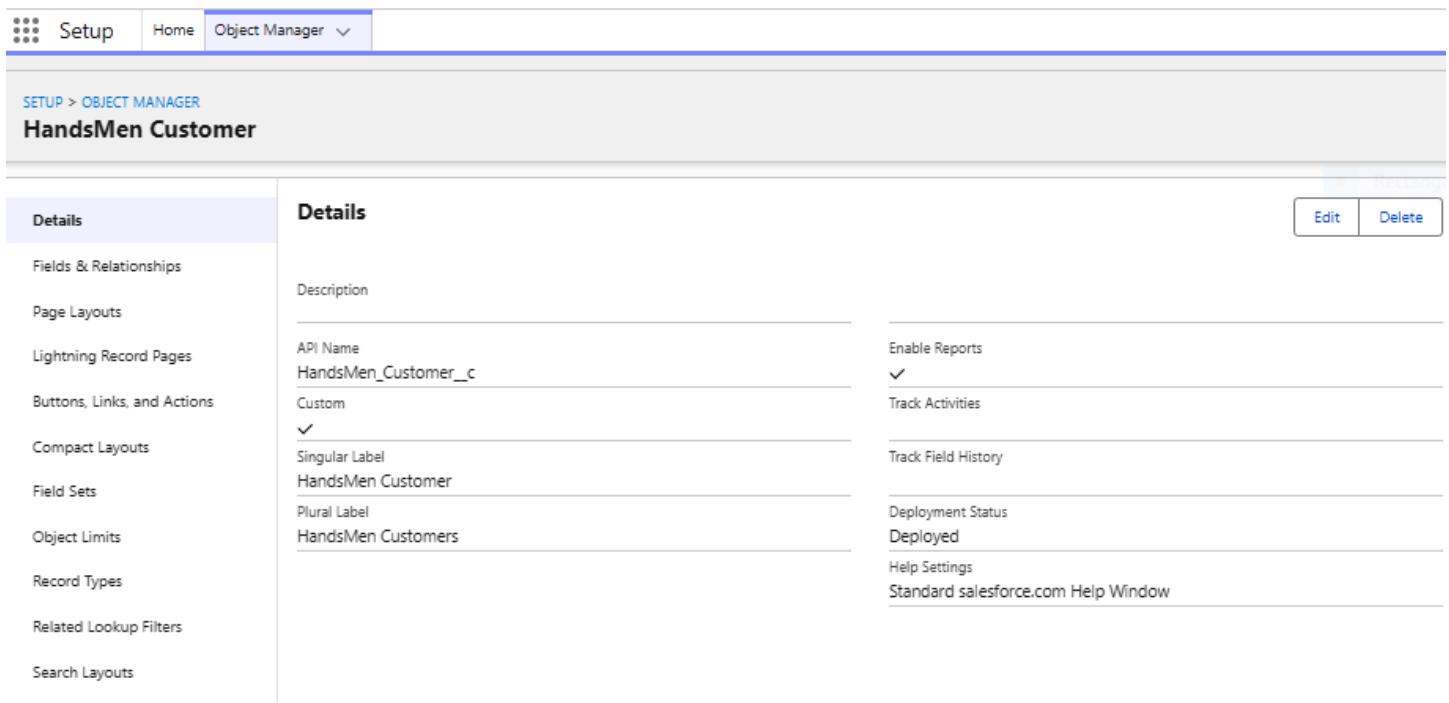
Five custom objects were created to store the essential data required by **HandsMen Threads**:

- **HandsMen Customer** – stores customer information such as email, phone number, and loyalty status.
- **HandsMen Product** – stores product details such as SKU, price, and current stock.
- **HandsMen Order** – stores customer order details including quantity, date, and order status.
- **Inventory** – tracks stock levels and warehouse locations.
- **Marketing Campaign** – stores promotional campaign details and schedules.

## Steps in Creating the Custom Objects

1. Navigate to **Setup** → **Object Manager** → **Create Custom Object**.
2. Enter the **Object Label** and **Object Name**.
3. Enable important settings such as:
  - *Allow Reports*
  - *Allow Search*
  - *Track Activities*

4. Click **Save** to create the object.
  
5. Create a **Tab** for each custom object to make the data easily accessible from the Salesforce interface.



The screenshot shows the Salesforce Object Manager interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Setup' and 'Object Manager' selected. Below it, the path 'SETUP > OBJECT MANAGER' and the object name 'HandsMen Customer' are displayed. The main area is divided into two columns: 'Details' on the left and 'Details' on the right. The left column contains links to various configuration tabs: Fields & Relationships, Page Layouts, Lightning Record Pages, Buttons, Links, and Actions, Compact Layouts, Field Sets, Object Limits, Record Types, Related Lookup Filters, and Search Layouts. The right column displays specific details for the 'HandsMen Customer' object, including its API Name ('HandsMen\_Customer\_\_c'), which is marked as 'Custom'. Other details shown include Singular Label ('HandsMen Customer'), Plural Label ('HandsMen Customers'), Enable Reports (checked), Track Activities (checked), Track Field History, Deployment Status ('Deployed'), and Help Settings ('Standard salesforce.com Help Window'). At the bottom right of the right column are 'Edit' and 'Delete' buttons.

Details	
Fields & Relationships	Description
Page Layouts	
Lightning Record Pages	API Name HandsMen_Customer__c
Buttons, Links, and Actions	Custom
Compact Layouts	✓
Field Sets	Singular Label HandsMen Customer
Object Limits	Plural Label HandsMen Customers
Record Types	Enable Reports ✓
Related Lookup Filters	Track Activities
Search Layouts	Track Field History
	Deployment Status Deployed
	Help Settings Standard salesforce.com Help Window

### 3. Creating the Lightning App

A custom Lightning App named **HandsMen Threads** was created to organize and centralize all key business tools.

#### Configuration Summary

- Added essential tabs:
  - **HandsMen Customer**
  - **HandsMen Product**
  - **HandsMen Order**

- **Inventory**
- **Marketing Campaign**
- **Reports**
- Assigned the app to the **System Administrator** profile for easy access.
- Ensured simple and intuitive navigation for managing customers, products, inventory, and orders.

## 4. Validation Rules

Validation rules were implemented to ensure the accuracy and completeness of data entered into the system.

### Order Object

- **Rule:** Prevent saving when `Total_Amount__c <= 0`
- **Error Message:** "Please Enter Correct Amount"

### Customer Object

- **Rule:** Email must contain `@gmail.com`
- **Error Message:** "Please fill Correct Gmail"

The screenshot shows a Salesforce customer record edit screen. The form includes fields for Customer Name, Email, Phone, Loyalty Status, FirstName, LastName, and FullName (calculated). The Email field contains "jb.com" and has a validation error message: "Enter a valid email address, such as name@email.com.". The FullName field has a note: "This field is calculated upon save". A modal dialog at the bottom left says "We hit a snag." with a "Cancel" button. The status bar at the bottom right shows "Lorenzo, 12/14/2025, 6:38 AM".

## 5. User Role & Profile Setup

To properly manage system access and maintain data security, user profiles and roles were configured as follows:

### Profile Setup

- A new profile named **Platform 1** was created by cloning the **Standard User** profile.
- Additional permissions were granted to allow access to all necessary custom objects.

### Role Hierarchy

Roles were created to reflect the major departments of HandsMen Threads:

- **Sales Manager**
- **Inventory Manager**
- **Marketing Team**

These roles help organize record visibility and control access based on departmental responsibilities.

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## 6. User Creation

New users were added to Salesforce and assigned appropriate roles and profiles corresponding to their job functions:

- **Niklaus Mikaelson** – Assigned to the **Sales** role
- **Kol Mikaelson** – Assigned to the **Inventory** role

Assigning users to the correct roles and profiles ensures they can access only the data they need and follow the proper processes in the system.

User Detail		<a href="#">Edit</a>	<a href="#">Sharing</a>	<a href="#">Reset Password</a>	<a href="#">Freeze</a>	<a href="#">View Summary</a>
Name	Niklaus Mikaelson				Role	<a href="#">Sales</a>
Alias	nmika				User License	<a href="#">Salesforce</a>
Email	jblorenzo11@gmail.com <a href="#">[Verify]</a> <a href="#">i</a>				Profile	<a href="#">Platform 1</a>
Username	jblorenzonik11@gmail.com				Active	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nickname	User17657094031183216937 <a href="#">i</a>				Marketing User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Title					Offline User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Company					Knowledge User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department					Flow User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Division					Service Cloud User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Address	3022 Philippines				Site.com Contributor User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Time Zone	(GMT-08:00) Pacific Standard Time (America/Los_Angeles)				Site.com Publisher User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Locale	English (United States)				WDC User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language	English				Mobile Push Registrations	<a href="#">View</a>
Delegated Approver					Data.com User Type	<a href="#">i</a>
Manager					Accessibility Mode (Classic Only)	<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">i</a>
Receive Approval Request Emails	Only if I am an approver				Debug Mode	<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">i</a>

User Detail		<a href="#">Edit</a>	<a href="#">Sharing</a>	<a href="#">Reset Password</a>	<a href="#">Freeze</a>	<a href="#">View Summary</a>
Name	Kol Mikaelson				Role	<a href="#">Inventory</a>
Alias	kmika				User License	<a href="#">Salesforce</a>
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Time Zone	(GMT-08:00) Pacific Standard Time (America/Los_Angeles)				Site.com Publisher User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Locale	English (United States)				WDC User	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language	English				Mobile Push Registrations	<a href="#">View</a>
Delegated Approver					Data.com User Type	<a href="#">i</a>
Manager					Accessibility Mode (Classic Only)	<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">i</a>
Receive Approval Request Emails	Only if I am an approver				Debug Mode	<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">i</a>

## 7. Email Templates & Email Alerts

Three email templates were created to support automated communication within the system:

- **Order Confirmation** – sent when an order's status is updated to *Confirmed*.
- **Low Stock Alert** – sent when a product's inventory drops below **5 units**.
- **Loyalty Program Email** – sent whenever a customer's loyalty status changes.

After creating these templates, **Email Alerts** were configured and linked to automation flows so they are sent automatically based on specific triggers.

**Email Template Detail**

Order\_Confirmation\_Email

Preview your email template below.

Email Template Detail		<a href="#">Edit Properties</a>	<a href="#">Edit HTML Version</a>	<a href="#">Edit Text Version</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>	<a href="#">Clone</a>
Email Templates from Salesforce	Unfiled Public Classic Email Templates					
Email Template Name	Order_Confirmation_Email	Available For Use <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Template Unique Name	Order_Confirmation_Email	Last Used Date				
Classic Letterhead	HandsMen_Threads	Times Used				
Email Layout	Free Form Letter					
Encoding	Unicode (UTF-8)					
Author	Janbert Lorenzo [Change]					
Description						
Created By	Janbert Lorenzo, 12/14/2025, 3:12 AM	Modified By Janbert Lorenzo, 12/14/2025, 3:12 AM				
<a href="#">Edit Properties</a> <a href="#">Edit HTML Version</a> <a href="#">Edit Text Version</a> <a href="#">Delete</a> <a href="#">Clone</a>						

**Email Template**

[Send Test and Verify Merge Fields](#)

Subject | Your Order has been Confirmed!

HTML Preview |

Dear {!HandsMen\_Order\_\_c.HandsMen\_Customer\_\_c},  
 Your order # {!HandsMen\_Order\_\_c.Name} has been confirmed!  
 Thank you for shopping with us.  
 Best Regards,  
 Sales Team

## 8. Flow Implementation

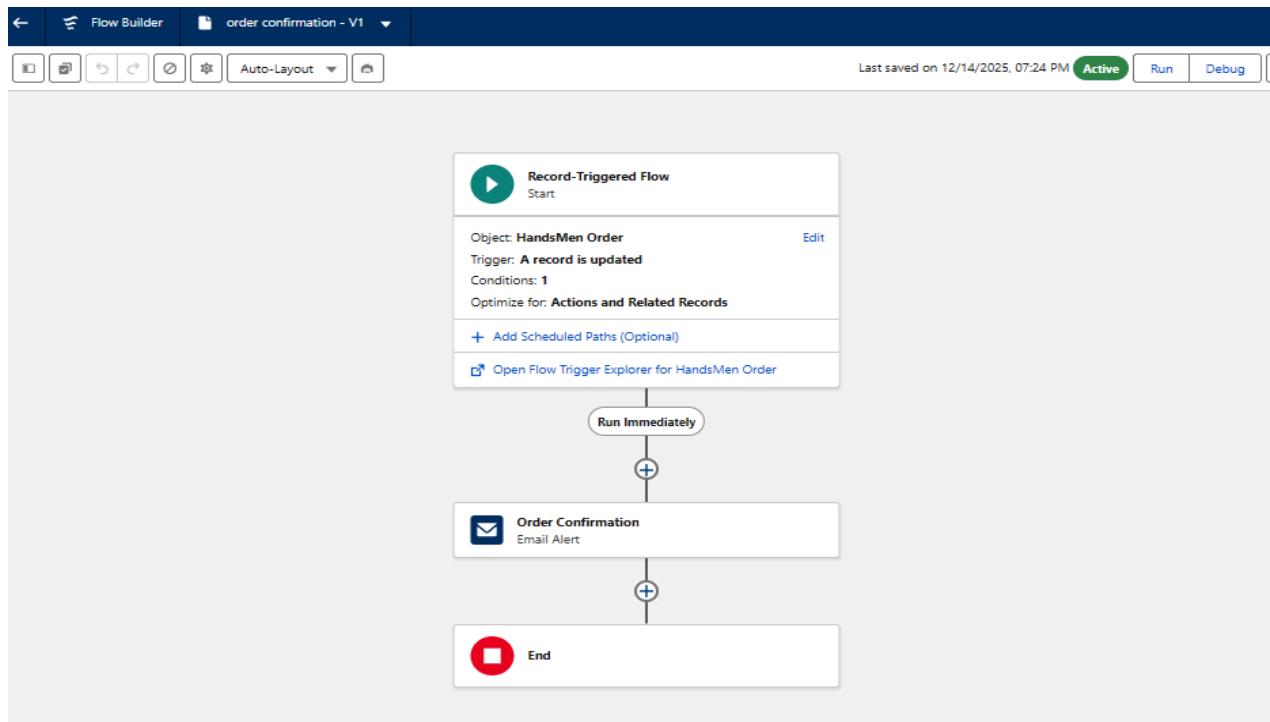
### a. Order Confirmation Flow

This flow is triggered whenever an order's status is changed to **Confirmed**.

#### Flow Behavior

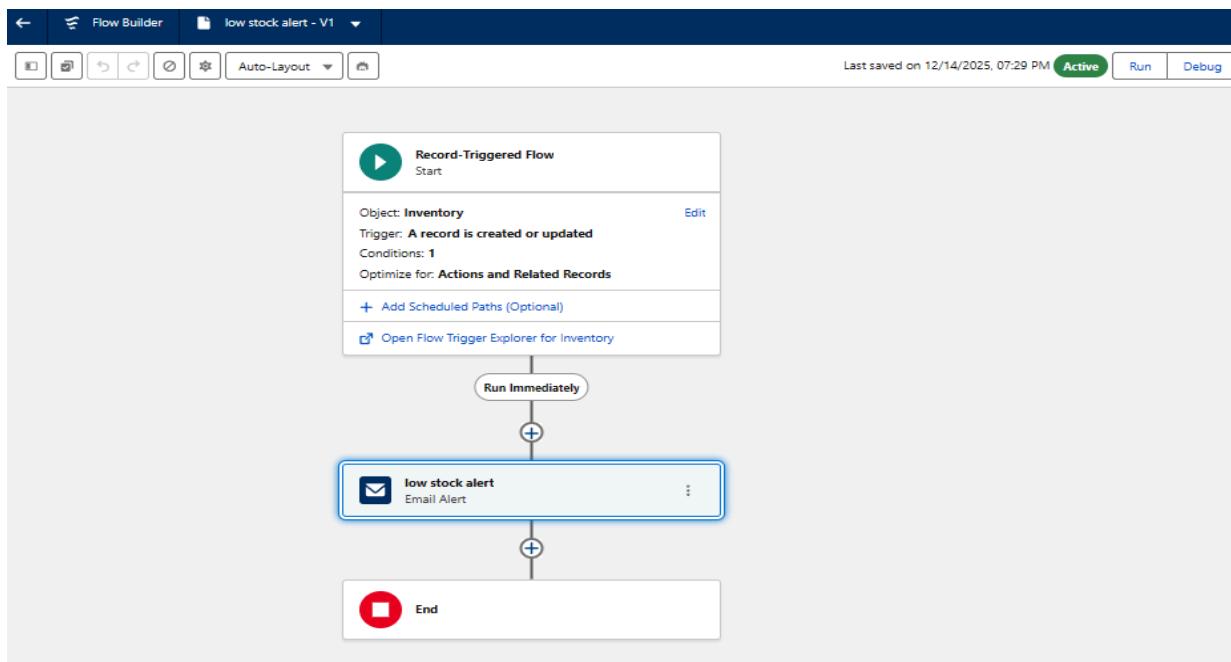
- Automatically sends an **Order Confirmation Email** to the customer associated with the order.

- Ensures timely communication and improves the customer experience.



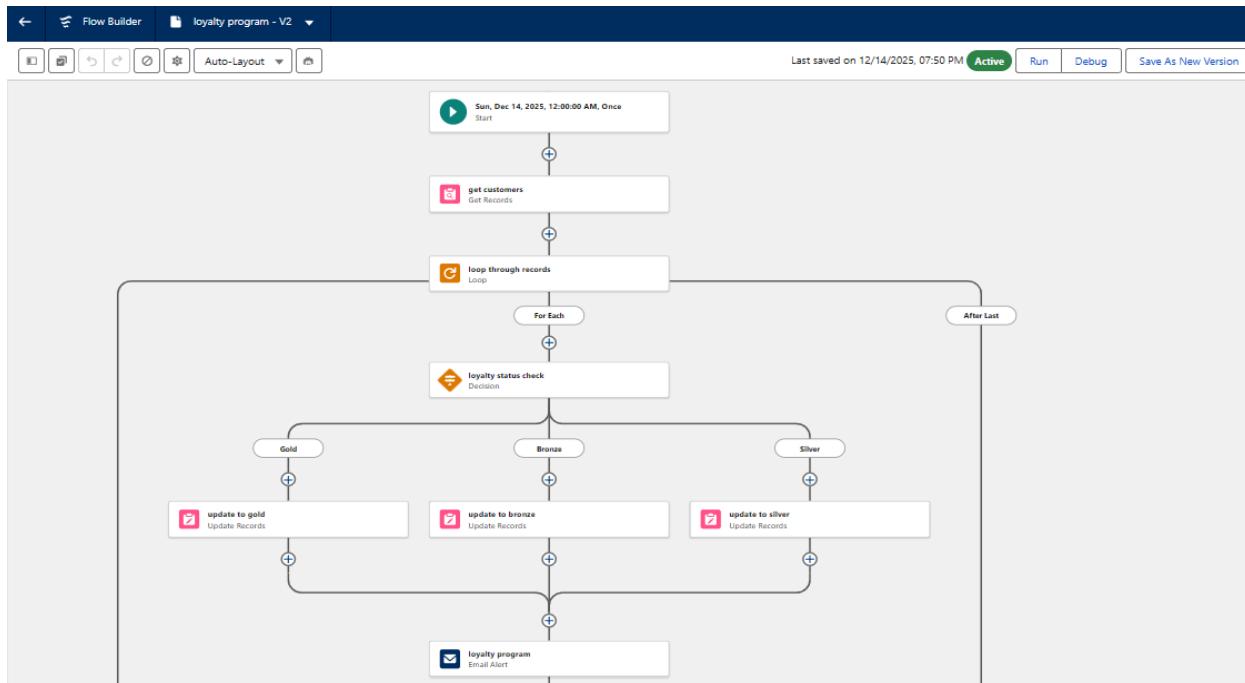
## b. Stock Alert Flow

- This flow is triggered when a product's inventory drops below **5 units**.
- Once triggered, it automatically sends a **Low Stock Alert Email** to the **Inventory Manager**.



### c. Loyalty Update (Scheduled Flow)

- This scheduled flow runs **daily at midnight**.
- It checks all customer records and automatically updates their **Loyalty Status** based on their total purchases.



## 9. Apex Triggers

Several Apex Triggers were created to automate key business processes that cannot be handled through Flows alone:

- **Order Total Trigger**
  - Automatically calculates the total amount of an order by multiplying the quantity with the product's unit price.
- **Stock Deduction Trigger**
  - Automatically reduces the product's inventory count whenever a new order is placed.
- **Loyalty Status Trigger**
  - Updates a customer's loyalty status based on their accumulated purchases.

# PROJECT EXPLANATION WITH REAL-WORLD EXAMPLE

This section demonstrates how the Salesforce CRM works in a real business scenario for **HandsMen Threads**, showing the full customer interaction flow from registration to order completion.

## 1. Customer Registration

### Scenario:

A customer, **Elijah Mikaelson**, visits the store or browses the website.

### Salesforce Action:

A new record is created in the **Customer** object with details such as:

- Name
- Phone
- Email

### Validation Rule:

Ensures the email contains `@gmail.com` to maintain consistent formatting.

## 2. Product Setup

### Scenario:

The admin adds products like **Yuniklo** and **Binch** into the **Product** object.

### Details:

Each product includes key information such as:

- Price

- SKU
- Product Category

### **Inventory Management:**

A corresponding **Inventory** record is created to monitor stock levels.

## **3. Order Placement**

### **Scenario:**

Iyah wants to buy **2 Yuniklo** priced at **\$10 each**.

### **Salesforce Action:**

A new **Order** record is created.

### **Apex Trigger:**

Automatically calculates the total amount:

$$\text{Total\_Amount} \quad c = 2 \times 10 = \$10$$

## **4. Inventory Update**

### **Scenario:**

Once Iyah placed the order for 2 Yuniklo.

### **Salesforce Outcome:**

- Stock is automatically reduced through the **Stock Deduction Trigger**.
- Inventory remains accurate and prevents negative stock levels.
- Ensures reliable data for future orders.

## 5. Loyalty Program

### Scenario:

Iyah's total purchase is now **\$20**.

### Salesforce Action:

An Apex Trigger evaluates the customer's total purchases and updates their loyalty status.

### Loyalty Status Rules:

- Less than **\$500** → **Bronze**
- **\$500 - \$1000** → **Silver**
- Above **\$1000** → **Gold**

### Outcome:

Iyah's loyalty status is updated to **Bronze**.

## 6. Email Notifications

### Scenario:

A new order is placed or a loyalty status changes.

### Salesforce Action:

- A Flow triggers an **Email Alert**.
- Iyah receives an automated message:  
**"Thanks for your purchase! Your loyalty status is now Silver."**

## 7. Users and Roles

### Scenario:

Salesforce users are created for staff members.

## Assignments:

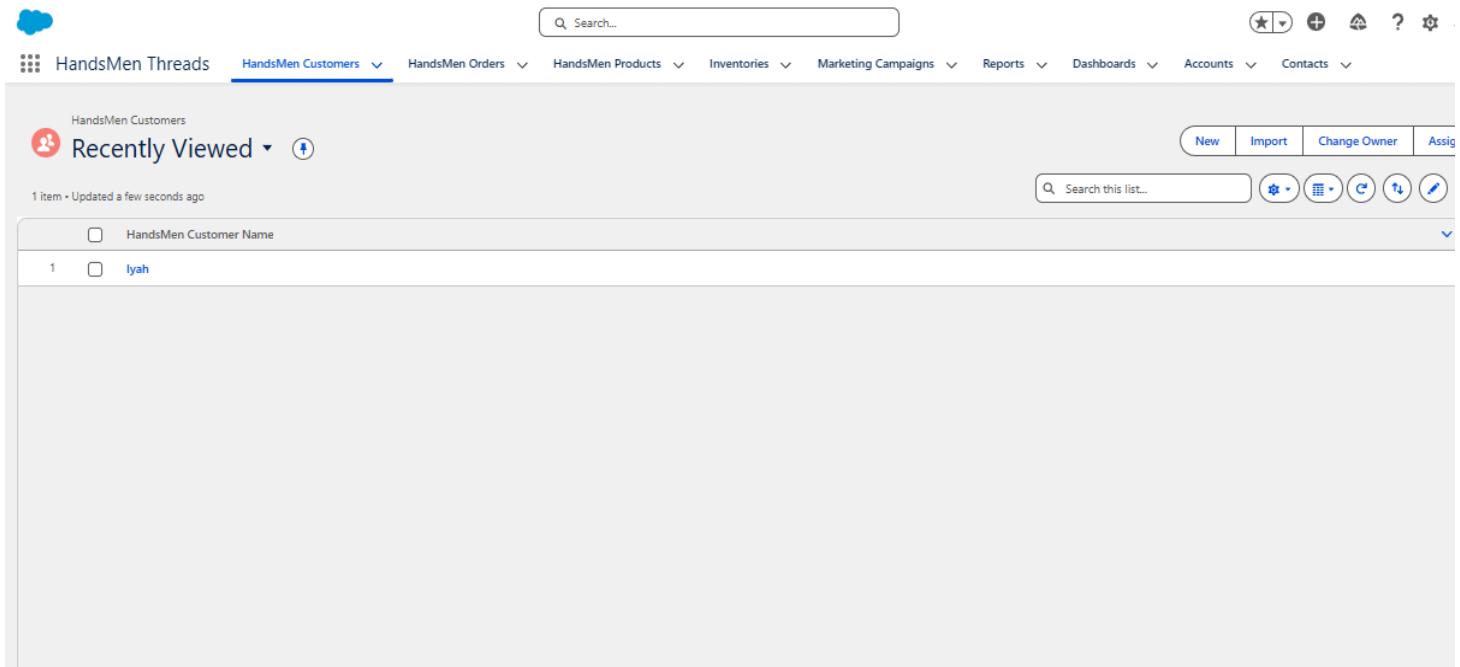
- **Niklaus Mikaelson** – Sales Role, **Platform 1 Profile**
- **Kol Mikaelson** – Inventory Role, **Platform 1 Profile**

## Purpose:

Ensures each staff member has:

- Proper system access
- Visibility to only the data needed for their responsibilities
- Accurate permissions aligned with their role

## SCREENSHOTS



**Figure 1: Custom App in HandsMen Threads**

The screenshot shows a customer profile for 'lyah' in the 'HandsMen Customer' section. The 'Details' tab is selected. The profile includes the following information:

- HandsMen Customer Name: lyah
- Email: [jblorenzo11@gmail.com](mailto:jblorenzo11@gmail.com)
- Phone: (not visible)
- Loyalty Status: Gold
- FirstName: lyah
- LastName: France
- FullName: lyah France
- Total Purchases: 20
- Created By: [Janbert Lorenzo](#), 12/14/2025, 2:35 AM
- Owner: [Janbert Lorenzo](#)
- Last Modified By: [Janbert Lorenzo](#), 12/14/2025, 7:53 AM

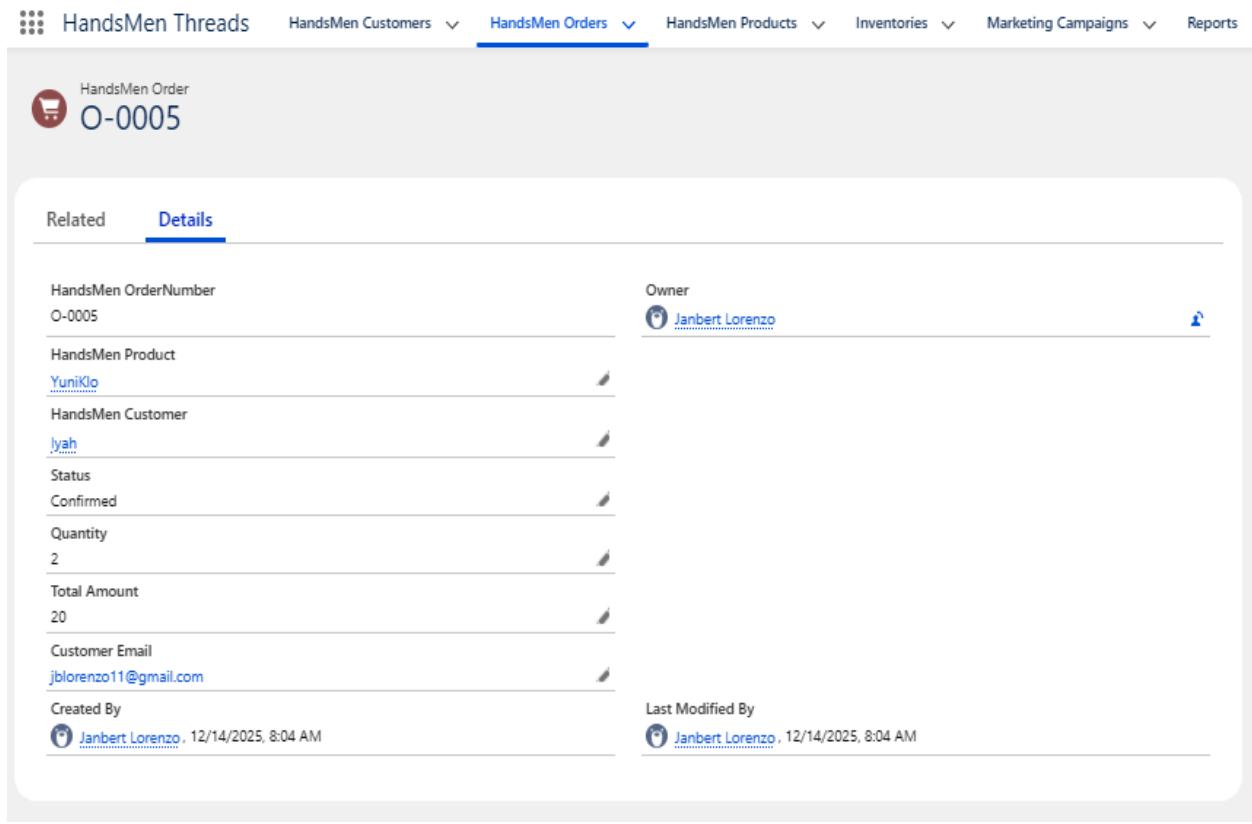
**Figure 2: Custom Creation in HandsMen Threads**

The screenshot shows the 'HandsMen Products' page. The 'Recently Viewed' section displays two items:

Order	Product Name
1	<a href="#">Binch</a>
2	<a href="#">YuniKlo</a>

Other visible elements include a search bar, a 'New' button, and links for 'Import' and 'Change Owner'.

**Figure 3: Products In Handsmen Threads**



**Figure 4: Order Confirmation**

## CONCLUSION

The **HandsMen Threads CRM system**, built on the Salesforce platform, successfully streamlines key business processes including customer management, product cataloging, order processing, inventory tracking, and loyalty program automation.

By leveraging Salesforce features such as **Custom Objects**, **Flows**, **Validation Rules**, **Email Alerts**, and **Apex Triggers**, the system ensures:

- Accurate and consistent data entry

- Real-time updates across business operations
- Enhanced customer experience through automation and personalized communication

Overall, the solution improves operational efficiency, supports data-driven decision-making, and provides a scalable foundation for future business growth.

## FUTURE SCOPE

To further enhance the system, the following improvements can be implemented:

### 1. Customer Portal Integration

Develop a **Customer Community Portal** that allows customers to:

- Log in securely
- View order history
- Track loyalty status

### 2. Mobile App using Salesforce Mobile SDK

Enable store staff to manage:

- Inventory
- Orders
- Customer interactions  
on-the-go through a mobile-friendly interface.

### 3. Reports & Dashboards

Create detailed **sales and inventory dashboards** to help management:

- Monitor performance
- Track trends
- Make informed decisions in real time

#### **4. AI-Powered Recommendations (Salesforce Einstein)**

Utilize **Salesforce Einstein AI** to deliver personalized product recommendations based on customer purchase history.

#### **5. WhatsApp / SMS Integration**

Integrate WhatsApp or SMS notifications to keep customers informed about:

- Order confirmations
- Shipping updates
- Loyalty program changes