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# **FurrEver Friends**

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## Stage 1: Project Proposal



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## Problem Description:

In an ideal world, there would be no need for animal shelters. But as that world does not exist, our goal is to try to make ours better. We aim to improve the quality of life for animals in shelters. We also want to make possible for the general public to help these institutions and find easy ways to interact with them.

## Target Users:

This application has two main categories of users:

- Anyone who wants to help the shelter in any way (adopt, take for a walk, be a patron or be a volunteer).
- Shelters in the need of any of those kinds of contributions.

## Project Goal:

The main goal of our project is to provide a tool that makes the “Shelter-User” interaction easier. And that way, improve the animals’ life.

Our solution consists in the creation of a website that makes that communication possible. In this web you could log as a normal user or as a shelter (and also see general information from the project).

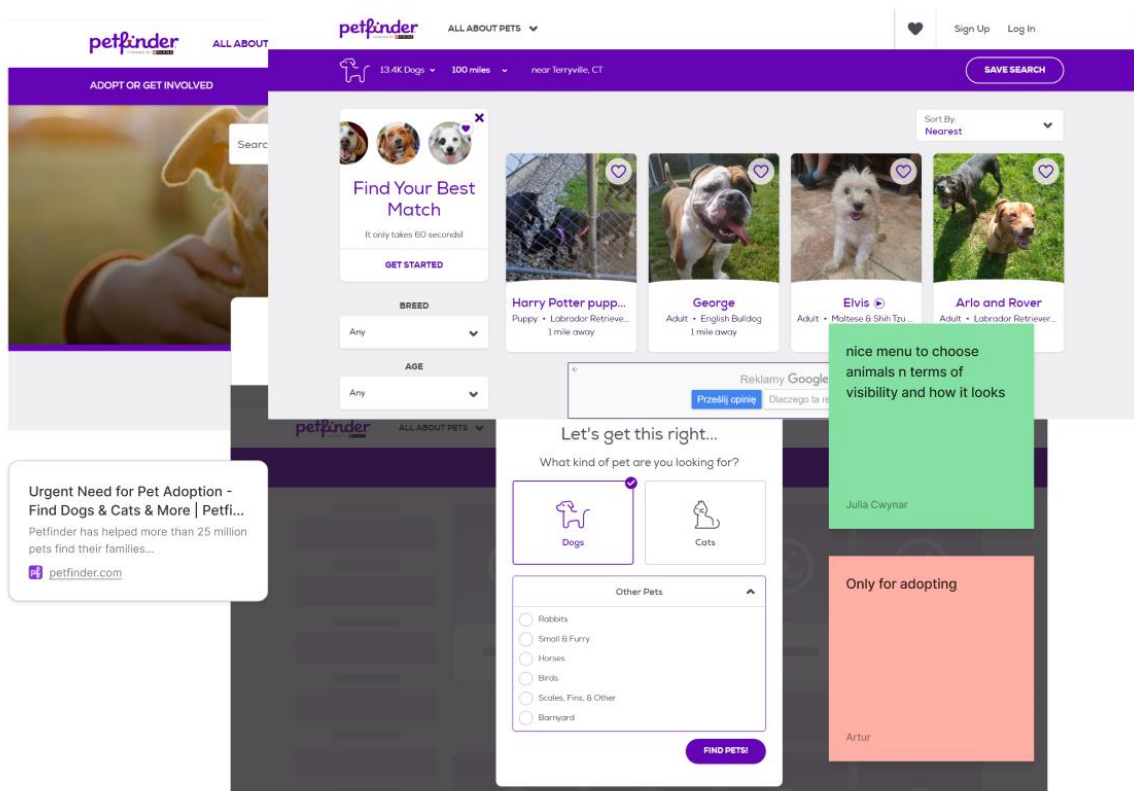
The common user will be able to choose a shelter, see its animals and decide in which way wants to help: by adopting, taking a dog for a walk, becoming a patron or volunteering.

Shelters will have their private area, where they can update their information, the pets they have and in which ways someone can help them.

## Similar Applications:

After some research we found that we were not the first ones to come up with a similar idea.

WebPage	Pros	Cons
<a href="#">petfinder</a>	nice menu to choose animals	Only allows to adopt
<a href="#">purrfectmatch</a>	It implements some of our ideas: sponsor, volunteer, adopt	Only for cats in a specific town
<a href="#">aeza</a>	It implements some of our ideas	Too complicated menu, too much time spent to get somewhere
<a href="#">sosanimal</a>	Simple interface, good design	Only for that shelter, different functionalities.



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