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What is Bountiful?

- Bountiful is a game that encourages generosity, thoughtful thinking, and cooperation
- Players can utilize in-game virtual currency to fund projects
 - Active polling for new features
- Once a project is successfully funded in-game, new content is added to the game and a donation is made to charities of the players' choice
 - Partnerships with charities in the Boston community, US, worldwide, etc.
- Currency earned through simply playing the game, interacting with players
 - Currency cap incentivizes players to cooperate with each other
 - Additional benefits by doing tasks together



Why Bountiful Matters

- Cooperative vs Competitive game model
 - Competitive: Counterstrike, Fortnite, Team Fortress
 - Cooperative: Animal Crossing, Stardew Valley
- Boom of "farm simulator" games
- Popularity of cooperative game models, user polling suggests that players enjoy customized, tailored experiences as well as mechanics that emphasize interactions with other players
 - Ex: Minecraft
- More than ever, kindness and generosity is something to be implemented in core game mechanics, both for player-developer interaction and for overall user satisfaction

The Bounty System

- The "Bounty" System:
 - A poll is set for possible features to be added to the game
 - Once a winner is decided, a goal is made for players to reach in order for feature to be added
 - Along with a feature, users vote for which charity a donation will be made to
 - Multiple tiers of rewards depending on player performance
- For Bountiful, features can range from player trading, decorations, new game modes, and new levels to voice chat and personal lobbies
- Similar in concept/design to Kickstarter's stretch goal system

Extensibility

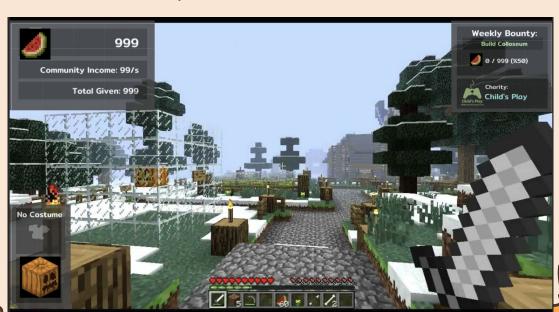
• This model isn't limited to just this game!

• Design can be applied to a wide variety of games

o EX: Racing simulators for new tracks, RPGs for new levels and

content

Overlay possibilities



Demo



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