

## **TECHNOLOGY:**

- Runtime: Node.js
- Web Framework: Express.js
- Template Engine: EJS
- HTTP Client: Axios
- Authentication: Passport.js with Google OAuth 2.0
- Database: MongoDB with Mongoose ODM
- Session Management: Express-session

## **ARCHITECTURE & LOGIC:**

### **1. SERVER INITIALIZATION & CONFIGURATION:**

- Creates Express application with environment-aware settings
- Sets port from environment variable (default: 3001)
- Configures EJS as template engine with views directory
- Serves static files from "public" directory
- Implements trust proxy for production deployment on Render

### **2. DATABASE ARCHITECTURE:**

#### **MongoDB Integration:**

- \* userId (String, unique) - Google OAuth user ID
- \* displayName (String) - User's display name
- \* email (String) - User's email
- \* clickedAt (Date) - Timestamp of user action

#### **- Click Counter:**

- \* count (Number) - Global counter for "Join the Cause" feature

#### **Database Features:**

- Graceful fallback when MongoDB unavailable
- Automatic counter initialization
- Connection status monitoring

### **3. AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM:**

#### **Google OAuth 2.0 Implementation:**

- Passport.js strategy for Google authentication
- Session-based user serialization/deserialization
- Secure cookie configuration with environment settings
- Authentication status API endpoints

#### **Routes:**

- GET /auth/google - Initiates OAuth flow
- GET /auth/google/callback - OAuth callback handler
- GET /logout - Session termination
- GET /api/auth/status - Authentication status check

### **4. ROUTING STRUCTURE:**

#### **PRIMARY ROUTES:**

##### **- GET / (Main Page):**

- \* Fetches random quotes from ZenQuotes API
- \* Error handling with fallback quotes
- \* Renders dynamic content using EJS template
- \* Displays ocean conservation statistics

#### **- GET /help (Help & Action Page):**

- \* Shows user participation statistics
- \* Implements "Join the Cause" counter
- \* Prevents duplicate user participation
- \* Renders organization information

#### **API ENDPOINTS:**

- GET /api/user - Returns user authentication status
- POST /api/click - Registers user participation (requires auth)
- GET /api/click-count - Returns participation statistics
- GET /api/auth/status - Authentication verification
- GET /health - System health check

### **5. DATA FLOW & INTEGRATION:**

#### **External API Integration:**

- ZenQuotes API for daily inspirational quotes
- Asynchronous HTTP requests with Axios

#### **Database Operations:**

- User participation tracking with duplicate prevention
- Atomic counter increments for real-time statistics
- Connection state management with graceful degradation

### **6. ENVIRONMENT CONFIGURATION:**

#### **Multi-environment Support:**

- Development: Localhost with relaxed security
- Production: Render deployment with secure settings
- Dynamic configuration based on NODE\_ENV
- Conditional database connection handling

#### **Environment Variables:**

- PORT - Server port configuration
- SESSION\_SECRET - Session encryption key
- GOOGLE\_CLIENT\_ID - OAuth application ID
- GOOGLE\_CLIENT\_SECRET - OAuth application secret
- MONGODB\_URI - Database connection string
- NODE\_ENV - Environment specification

### **7. ERROR HANDLING & RESILIENCE:**

#### **Comprehensive Error Management:**

- Database connection failures with fallbacks
- API integration errors with default content
- Authentication failures with proper redirects
- User input validation and duplicate prevention
- Console logging for development
- Structured error pages for clients

#### **Fallback Mechanisms:**

- Local storage for counter when database unavailable
- Default quotes when external API fails
- Continued functionality without authentication
- Session management with secure defaults

## **8. KEY FEATURES IMPLEMENTED:**

### **User Management:**

- Google OAuth 2.0 authentication
- Session-based user tracking
- Profile display with user information
- Secure logout functionality

### **Engagement Features:**

- "Join the Cause" participation system
- Real-time counter updates
- Duplicate participation prevention
- User commitment tracking

### **Content Delivery:**

- Dynamic quote generation
- Responsive template rendering
- Static asset serving
- API-driven content updates

## **9. DEPENDENCIES MANAGEMENT:**

### **Core Dependencies:**

- express - Web server framework
- ejs - Dynamic HTML templating
- axios - HTTP client for external APIs
- passport - Authentication middleware
- passport-google-oauth20 - Google OAuth strategy
- mongoose - MongoDB object modeling
- express-session - Session management

### **Development Dependencies:**

- nodemon - Development auto-restart

## **10. SECURITY IMPLEMENTATIONS:**

### **Session Security:**

- Environment-specific cookie settings
- HTTP-only cookies
- Same-site policy enforcement
- Session expiration management

### **Authentication Security:**

- OAuth 2.0 protocol compliance
- Secure token handling
- User session validation
- Protected API endpoints

## **11. SERVER LIFECYCLE:**

### **1. Initialization Phase:**

- Load environment configuration
- Initialize Express application
- Configure middleware and view engine
- Establish database connection

### **2. Runtime Phase:**

- Handle incoming HTTP requests
- Manage user sessions and authentication
- Process API calls and database operations
- Serve dynamic and static content

### **3. Maintenance Phase:**

- Health monitoring and status reporting
- Error handling

## **12. DEPLOYMENT:**

### **Production Features:**

- Environment-aware configuration
- Health check endpoints
- Proxy trust configuration
- Secure session management
- Database connection pooling
- Comprehensive error handling

### **Development Features:**

- Hot reload with nodemon
- Detailed console logging
- Local database support
- Easy configuration setup