**Goals Exercise**

**Overview**

* **Life goals**
  + Be financially stable
  + Work for myself
  + Learn to enjoy the small things in life
* **5 year goal**
  + Hold a Sr. dev position in my field
  + Focus on entrepreneurial skills and build connections with future business partners/clients
  + Mentor Jr. Devs
  + Start my business (Maybe more of a 10 year goal)
* **1 year goal**
  + Obtain a full time development job
  + Seek out a Sr. Dev to act as a mentor
* **90 day goal**
  + Finish hurricane aid site
  + Achieve 4.0 GPA this semester
  + Secure interviews/offers for new grad/internship positions

**Details**

* **Life Goals**
  + **Be financially stable**
    - Be debt free (Aside from “smart” debt)
    - Own a home
    - Be able to comfortably invest 30% of income in the market/real estate (Maybe throw a little bit of that into dumb option plays)
    - Have passive income from investments total at least 40% COL
  + **Work for myself**
    - Own my own business that develops software (focus on games but would like to also provide general software solutions) and provides financial and resource support to indie developers/small development teams to help publish their games or software
  + **Learn to enjoy the little things in life**
    - I’m not really sure with this one but I’m sure financial security and fulfillment in my work will help
* **5 year goals**
  + **Hold a Senior Dev position in my field**
    - This way I can gain first hand, real world experience with both the Junior and Senior roles within the development of solutions that I can apply to my own business.
  + **Focus on entrepreneurial skills and build a connection with future business partners/clients**
    - While working as a Sr./Jr. Dev, seek out information/wisdom from those in business roles within the company to get a better idea of the needs in running a business
    - Work on developing business connections with seniors, juniors, and peers that will aid me in my business endeavor through helping to find potential partners, employees, or clients.
  + **Mentor Jr. Devs**
    - Aid with the development of Jr. devs as it will make my job easier if those under me perform better at their job, will help build those business connections, and will demonstrate my value to seniors in my commitment to fostering a more productive and healthy work environment.
  + **Start my business (maybe more of a 10 year goal)**
    - Have an in-depth business plan
    - Have a team of developers committed to start with the business
    - Have 2 contracts committed to work on from the start
    - Have the financial backing to realize the business plan
    - Explore paths for operational growth
    - Complete processes for legitimizing business (IE Licensing and Registration etc.)
* **1 year goal**
  + **Obtain a full time development job**
    - The first step in gaining professional experience is becoming a professional.
  + **Seek out a Sr. Dev within the company to act as a mentor**
    - As my 5 year goal is to achieve the title of Senior Developer, its important that I have someone in that position to learn from. This also helps with the development of my business network.
* **90 day goals**
  + **Finish hurricane aid site**
    - Work with Cliff and the rest of the team to employ a project plan that adheres to a professional standard.
    - Be an active member in requirements gathering and designing so that implementation is as smooth and efficient as possible
    - Its important that this is finished as it will help impacted communities, give me extremely important experience to put on my resume, help develop my business network, and help develop interpersonal networks within my community
  + **Achieve a 4.0 GPA for the semester**
    - This shows a reflection of understanding on the topics covered in my classes to help me be a better professional and will help with securement of internships/offers
  + **Secure interviews/offers for new grad/internship positions**
    - Apply to as many development positions as possible
    - Prepare for interviews by reviewing DSA topics and technical information pertaining to the positions
    - Set up a meeting with CBAT career services to help me create work opportunities