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FINAL PROJECT REPORT

PROJECT TITLE: LOST & FOUND WEBSITE FOR CAMPUS

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INTRODUCTION

With such a vast university campus, the chances of students, lecturers, and staff losing or misplacing personal belongings are high. The most common items lost by students include student ID cards, wallets, water bottles, keys, USB drives, and even valuable electronic devices (eg. mobile phones and tablets). This can mean that returning these items can be tricky once this happens, as there is currently a lack of an authoritative lost and found system.

Currently, students and staff are left with informal but common methods such as posting on social media groups, messaging friends, posting items on physical notice boards, or just asking around in the hope that someone will find their belongings. The problem is that these processes are inefficient and unorganized - posts get lost, lost and found notices get deleted, and there is no convenient service to match items and find owners quickly.

It is precisely this situation that we believe our project to build a centralized lost and found platform on campus can be a solution. The platform will reserve a space where anyone on campus can safely and efficiently post lost and found reports, upload information about what they are looking for, and find possible matches.

OBJECTIVE

The main goal of our project is to create an online portal that will make it easy to handle lost and found items on campus in a systematic and organized manner.

Through the platform, users can:

- Create an account and log in securely to process lost and found reports.
- Once an item is lost, users can fill out a dedicated form describing the item, date and location of loss, and optionally upload photos.
- Users can search/browse submitted reports using filters such as item category, date, location, and keywords.

Optional features that should be included on the portal include image labeling using Google Vision API, location labeling using Google Maps API, and Botpress assistant to help users report or search for items. All these features are designed to speed up the entire process from all angles, making it faster, smarter, and more accurate.

Ultimately, our goal is to develop an effective digital product that increases the likelihood that lost items will be returned to their owners, inspires a sense of responsibility, and strengthens connections among people in the campus community.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Currently, we do not have a formal lost and found office on campus. After the lost and found, people usually can only make announcements in decentralized and informal ways, such as posting notices on WhatsApp groups, Facebook pages or physical notice boards. These methods have the following main limitations:

- Lack of unified records: Information on various platforms is scattered in different locations, making it difficult to track information changes or updates.
- Lack of effective search mode: Since the information is not organized and easily mixed with other similar unrelated information, it is not easy to find matching information.
- Narrow dissemination range: Notice boards can only reach people passing by, and information on social media may not reach the target audience at a critical moment.
- Low recovery rate: Most lost items cannot be returned due to the failure to use effective functions to track or match lost items.

This chaotic management model causes students and faculty to waste time, suffer stress, and even lose some important or valuable items. It also does not encourage people to report lost items because there is no easy way to compare them with the owner.

Therefore, no one can deny the need for a convenient, unified online solution that allows people to easily connect with each other and fill the gap between lost and found people, and the Lost and Found Portal does just that.

PROJECT ARCHITECTURE

Frontend

- Built using HTML, CSS and JavaScript
- Responsive layout is presented using Flexbox
- Frontend files:
 - o Global styling for layout and responsiveness throughout the website
 - bstyle.css
 - Forgot password form
 - forgot.html
 - Main page when user enters the website
 - useradmin.html
 - Register and Login interface for user
 - homepage.html
 - Login interface for user
 - login.html
 - Registration interface for new user
 - register.html
 - Page to report a lost item
 - report_lost.html
 - Page to report a found item
 - report_found.html
 - Search interface for claiming items
 - searchclaim.html

Backend

- PHP
- Handles the form submissions and database interactions
- Backend files:
 - Dashboard management
 - home.html
 - dashboard.php
 - View all lost and found without login required
 - all lost items.php
 - all_found_items.php
 - User authentication
 - login.php
 - logout.php
 - register.php
 - Password management
 - forgot.php
 - reset.php
 - reset_handler.php
 - updatepassword.php
 - Lost and found reporting
 - submit lost.php
 - submit_found.php
 - Lost and found viewing, editing and deleting
 - view lost.php
 - view_found.php
 - edit lost.php
 - edit_found.php
 - update_lost.php
 - update_found.php
 - delete lost.php
 - delete_found.php

- o Item claim and search
 - claim.php
 - searchclaim.php
- o Admin management
 - get_users.php
 - get_lost_items.php
 - get_found_items.php
 - admin-lock.php
 - admin.php

Database

- MySQL database hosted on InfinityFree
- Tables:
 - o users: table to store users' information such as id, name, email, password, role
 - o lost items: id, name, description, date lost, time lost, location, image, reported at
 - found_items: id, name, description, date_found, time_found, location, image, reported_at
 - o claims: id, item id, claim reason, user id, claim date
 - o login_logs: id, user_id, email, login_time

PROJECT FUNCTIONALITY

Module	Functionality
User	 New user registration User login User forgot password User reset and update password Main dashboard
Lost & Found	 Report lost items Report found items View lost items View found items Edit lost items Edit found items Delete lost items Delete found items View all lost items View all found items
Search & Claim	Search for matching lost itemsSubmit a claim for an item
Admin	View all reportView all usersView all lost & found reports

SET UP LOCALLY

1. Set up XAMPP

- Open the XAMPP Control Panel
- Start Apache and MySQL

2. Location of files

• Save all the files in the same directory C:\xampp\htdocs\LostFoundPage

3. Create database

- Go to local host php database and create a new database
- Local host php database: http://localhost/phpmyadmin
- Create the tables as mentioned

4. Run the website

- Open browser and test the website
- http://localhost/LostFoundPage/home.html

DEPLOY ON WEB SERVER

- 1. Use free website hosting such as InfinityFree https://www.infinityfree.com/
 - Register and setup a free domain

2. Upload files

- Access file manager
- Upload the files under /htdocs/Project/
- The file includes all the html files, php files

3. Set up database

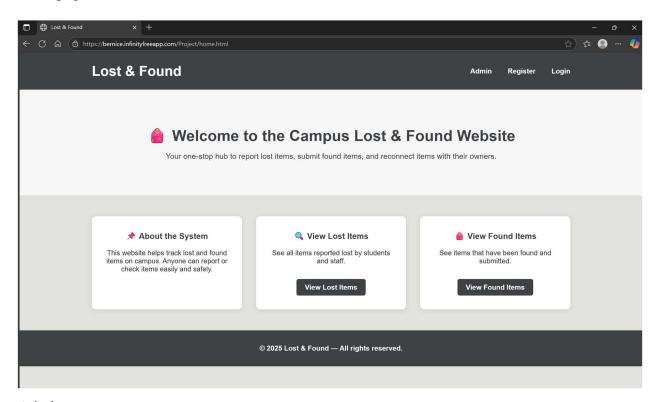
- Go to MySQL Databases
- Create a new database: if 0 39040743 campus lostfound
- Create the database tables as the sql files
- Host = "sql302.infinityfree.com"
- User = "if0 39040743"
- Password = "SHINee2003"
- Database = "if0 39040743 campus lostfound"

4. Run the website

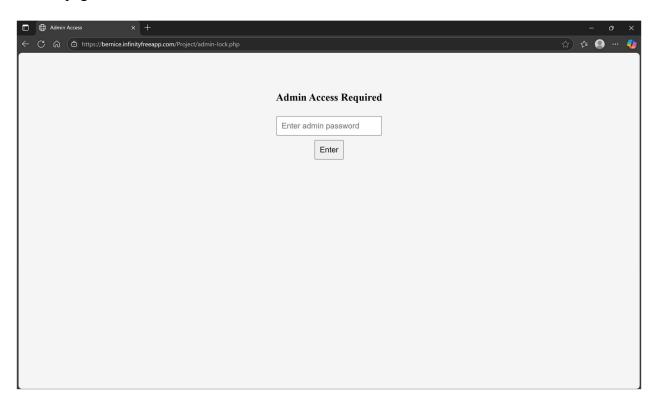
- Test the website via the link
- https://bernice.infinityfreeapp.com/Project/home.html

SCREENSHOTS

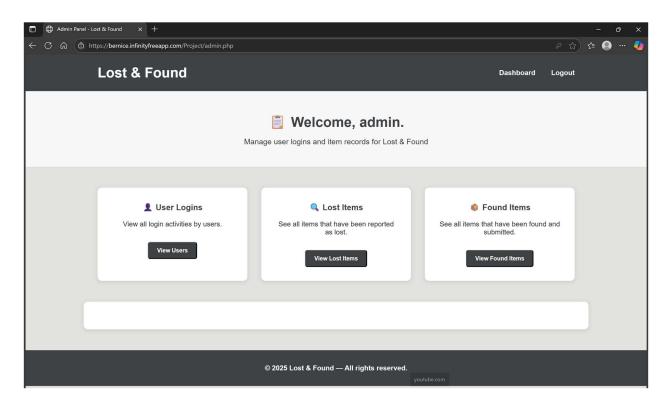
Homepage



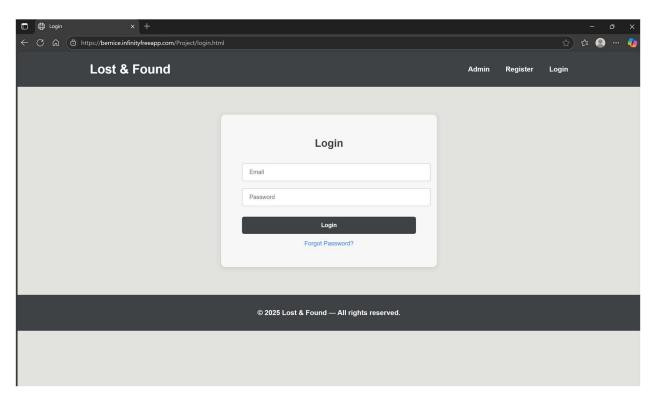
Admin page



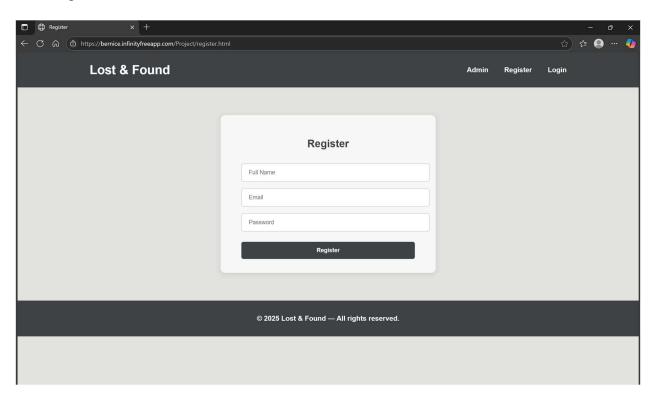
Admin dashboard



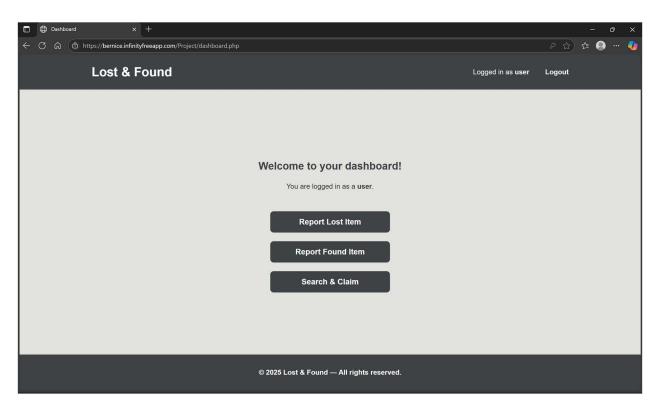
User Login



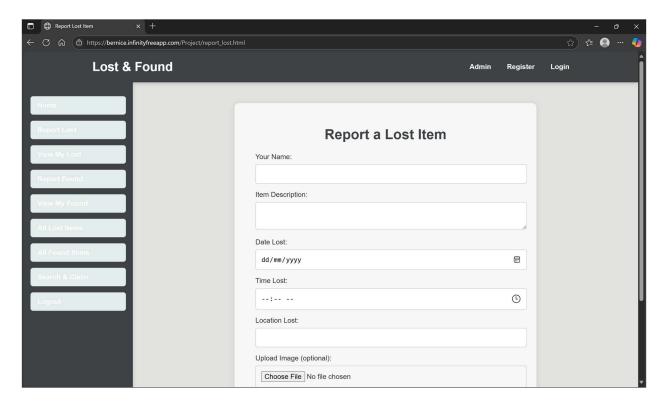
User Register



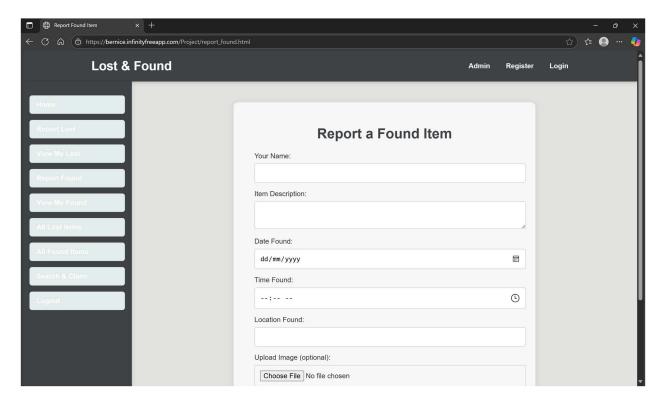
Dashboard



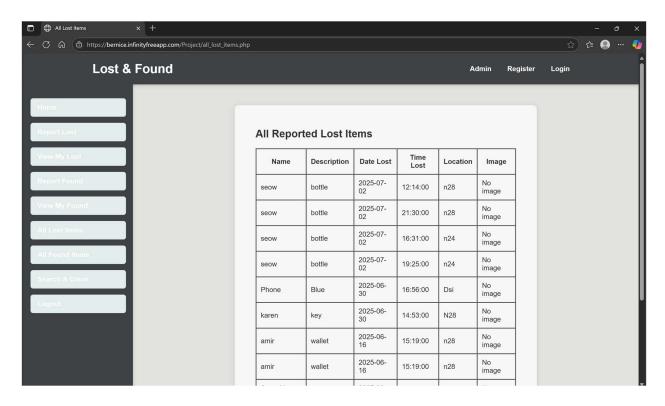
Report lost item



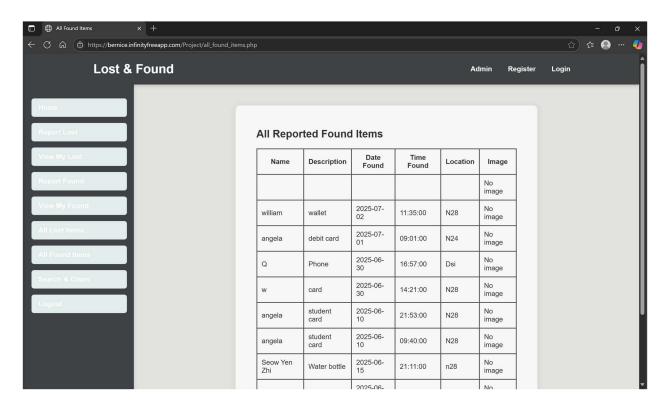
Report found item



View All Lost Items



View All Found Items



Search claim item

