

Project 2 - Save Willard Canyon

Short Report

What you are most proud of about the project as well as what you could have done better with more time:

- I'm pretty proud of just making the overall layout look better, and just utilizing different techniques to create what I wanted out of it.
- Something I think I could have done better with more time would have to be maybe the gallery on the Community page. I really like the look of it, but I wasn't sure how to make it more interactive.

Changes made to project in response to feedback provided by three critiques and instructor:

- A change I made to the website was that I fixed the overall layout to make it flow a bit better. I did this by making some cards not go the full width of the screen, and allowed for a lot of white space to make things more balanced. I did this on the Reach Out section on the Home page, the Join The Cause section on the Act Now page, the Let's Continue the Story section on the Community page, and on all the cards on the News page. By doing this I created more balance to the elements on the page, and made it easier to navigate through the website.
- Another change I made was adding in more visuals by creating the 4 cards with graphics on the home page. I also added an image to the Act Now page.
- I created a Home link on the navigation bar instead of just using the logo on the left as a link to the home page.
- I changed the font to something that was more easy to read.
- I made the logo in the navigation bar smaller so it wasn't too wide.
- I changed my buttons so the text was white so it would already stand out instead of having it be a different color and then turn white on hovering.
- I prevented text spanning too long by making the width of the container it was in a certain amount that was smaller.

Resources/assets and what they were used for (frameworks, libraries, code snippets, plugins, templates, etc):

- I used graphics from manypexels.com for the four cards on the home page.
- I designed the logo using Canva to be used in the navigation bar and footer.
- I got the images of Willard Canyon from AllTrails for the gallery on the Community page.

Justification of some of the key design decisions:

- I wanted the website to be fairly simple, as many people using it would be Willard residents which is a community of people of many ages and different levels of skill concerning navigating websites.
- I decided to only use 2-3 colors for my website. A dark green, a sagebrush green, and a peachy yellow. I also have white and black for the text colors.
- I decided to do some cards as a linear gradient to help make them a bit more eye-catching.

Ways that you customized the framework design:

- I customized the Bootstrap framework design by utilizing grids, cards, and various class names to have my content display like I wanted it to.

Advanced features that you incorporated into the project:

- I used a slideshow for the Community page.
- I created a form and used a Modal to give the user a confirmation pop up.
- I created a photo gallery using only Bootstrap to align the photos.
- A “Hamburger” menu when screen size is smaller, such as on mobile devices.

Problems that you experienced along the way:

- I struggled with making the layout make sense, and just deciding how and where to put elements so that the website appeared simple but not too plain.