

How to use Pusher in Laravel Broadcast

In this example, I will use Pusher with *AlpineJS* !

Server Side Installation

In **cmd**,

```
composer require pusher/pusher-php-server
```

env file

```
BROADCAST_DRIVER=pusher
```

```
PUSHER_APP_ID=your-pusher-app-id  
PUSHER_APP_KEY=your-pusher-key  
PUSHER_APP_SECRET=your-pusher-secret  
PUSHER_APP_CLUSTER=mt1  
  
MIX_PUSHER_APP_KEY="${PUSHER_APP_KEY}"  
MIX_PUSHER_APP_CLUSTER="${PUSHER_APP_CLUSTER}"
```

Make sure *BroadcastServiceProvider* is uncommented in **app.php**

```
App\Providers\BroadcastServiceProvider::class,
```

Client Side Installation

In **cmd**,

```
npm install --save-dev laravel-echo pusher-js
```

app.js

```
import Echo from 'laravel-echo';  
  
window.Pusher = require('pusher-js');  
  
window.Echo = new Echo({
```

```
broadcaster: 'pusher',  
key: process.env.MIX_PUSHER_APP_KEY,  
cluster: process.env.MIX_PUSHER_APP_CLUSTER,  
forceTLS: true  
});
```

After Installation,

Create Event

```
php artisan make:event EventName
```

In my event class, event will look like this...

(Note: Be sure to implement **ShouldBroadcast**)

```
class VoteUpdated implements ShouldBroadcast  
{  
    use Dispatchable, InteractsWithSockets, SerializesModels;  
  
    public $user;  
    public $post;  
  
    /**  
     * Create a new event instance.  
     *  
     * @return void  
     */  
    public function __construct($user, $post)  
    {  
        $this->user = $user;  
        $this->post = $post;  
    }  
  
    /**  
     * Get the channels the event should broadcast on.  
     *  
     * @return \Illuminate\Broadcasting\Channel|array  
     */  
    public function broadcastOn()  
    {  
        return new PrivateChannel('vote-live.' . $this->post->id);  
    }  
}
```

In **channels.php**, We can check authentication to access channel. In this example, I will only check for logged in user or not.

```
Broadcast::channel('vote-live.{id}', function($user, $id) {  
    return Auth::check();  
});
```

Now, It is ready to broadcast. In this example, I will broadcast when user votes post. Therefore, in my **PostController**,

```
class PostController extends Controller  
{  
    public function vote($id)  
    {  
        $post = Post::findOrFail($id);  
        $post->no_of_votes = $post->no_of_votes + 1;  
        $post->save();  
        $responseValue = array(  
            'message' => 'Vote Success',  
            'post' => $post,  
        );  
        broadcast(new VoteUpdated(auth()->user(), $post))->toOthers();  
        return response()->json($responseValue);  
    }  
}
```

(Note: **toOthers()** means it will broadcast everyone except current user)

In my js file, it will need to listen broadcasted channel. That's why I try to listen as ...

```
document.addEventListener("alpine:init", () => {  
    Alpine.data("app", () => ({  
        ...alpineData,  
        init() {  
            Echo.private("vote-live." + this.postId).listen("VoteUpdated", (e) =>  
{  
                // What you want to do  
            });  
        },  
    }  
});
```

(Note: In my example, **VoteUpdated** is created Event Name and **"vote-live.{id}"** is channel name)

We are now ready to give our application using the **Pusher**, **AlpineJS** and **Laravel Broadcast**.

Let's compile our front-end assets:

```
npm install  
npm run dev
```

... and run our server:

```
php artisan serve
```

And Result will look like this ...

