BEN TRUONG

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT ENGINEER

PERSONAL SUMMARY

I am a computer engineer with working knowledge on tech entrepreneurship with a passion for discovering technological solutions for social impact and public service.

PROFICIENCIES

- Django, Python, C++
- HTML, CSS, Java, React
- Lean Startup Methodologies
- Team Leadership & Management
- Stakeholder engagement

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Team Lead

ConnectNGive.org | March 2020 - Present

- Proposed and prototyped a PPE request potal for more timely and equitable PPE allocation.
- Collaboratively coded portal webapp with Django/Python for backend, HTML, CSS, Java, and React for frontend.
- Oversee and monitor app deployment and latency using Heroku and Amazon Web Services.
- Lead fundraising efforts and grant applications: acquired $28,000 for project.
- Lead lobbying efforts pitching PPE portal to various stakeholders: acquired 150+ users from community clinics and at least 1 legislator supporting the campaign.

Founder

Apella Inc. | September 2019 - Present

- Proposed and prototyped a civic engagement portal for voters to spend less time deciding their vote.
- Developed portal webapp with Django/Python for backend, HTML, CSS, and Java for frontend.
- Oversee and monitor app deployment and latency using Heroku and Amazon Web Services.
- Led lead generation and customer discovery efforts pitching civic engagement portal to grassroots activists, 501c4s, and city councilmembers.

Private First Class

US Army California National Guard HHC 1-184th IN | June 2019 - Present

- MOS 11C, Indirect Fire Infantryman
- Operate assigned weapon and vehicular systems

EDUCATION

University of Cambridge, UK

Pembroke College | Summer 2018

University of California, Berkeley

Cognitive Science B.A. High Honors | 2017-2019

3.8 GPA - Glushko Award for Excellent Undergraduate Honors Thesis

Orange Coast College

UC Transfer classes | 2015 - 2017

4.0 GPA - Honors Society Member