## **Jim's Inventory System**

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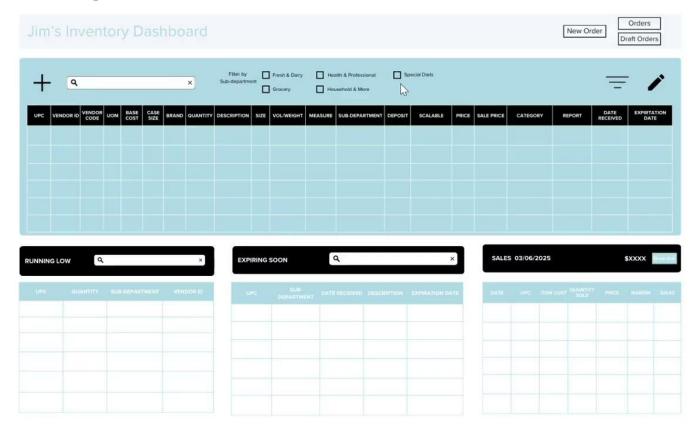
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#### **Overview**

- Jim's grocery store currently uses an outdated and slow inventory system, so we set out to develop a modern solution that includes all the features they need
- The client was looking for the system to show what items they currently have, what items are running low, a list of orders done, and daily sales



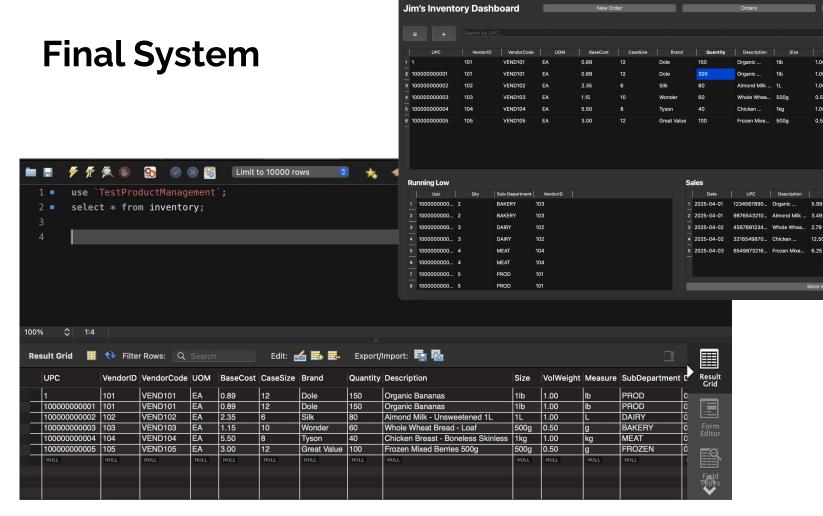
## Figma Design



## **System Features**

- Three tables on the main dashboard
  - Main table with information on all items in the store
  - Running low table with items that need to be ordered soon
  - Daily sales table showing which items sold and the revenue generated
- Order Buttons
  - User can put into system when they ordered an item
  - Orders can be saved as drafts or marked as complete
- Can add a new item, filter the columns shown, edit current items, and search for UPC
- Can filter dates on sales and order pages





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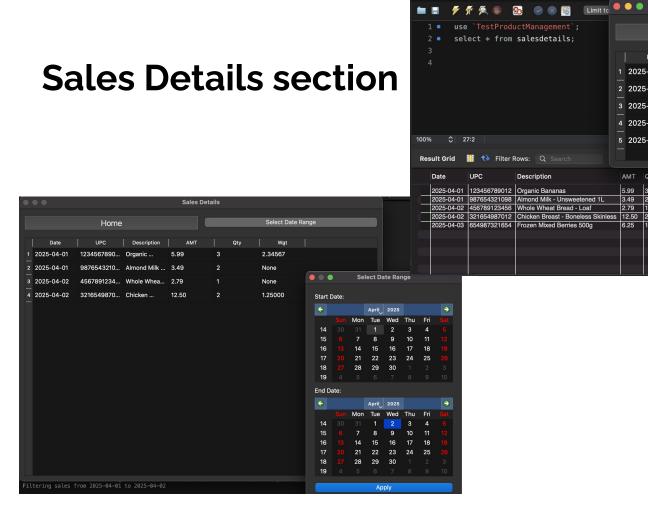
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Jim's Inventory Dashboard



**Sales Details** 

Description

Home

1234567890... Organic ...

3216549870... Chicken ...

9876543210... Almond Milk ... 3.49

4567891234... Whole Whea... 2.79

6549873216... Frozen Mixe... 6.25

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Description

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## **Tools & Technologies Used**

- Canva to create the design and Figma to have the buttons work
- PyQt6 to create the system
- MySQL for the database
- Generative AI to help create some of the application



## **Agile Process**

#### Sprint 1

Brainstormed ideas and decided on project, created charter, trello board, discord channel, and google drive



Continued working on design with more feedback & more features working in PyQt mockup



#### Sprint 5

Reworking database design, received csv file from client to implement in mockup



Sprint 2





#### Sprint 3

Database design, dashboard design in Canva, looked at current system they have more closely



Got feedback from client, implemented changes to design, used Figma and PyQt

#### Last Week

Creating report & presentation, finalizing features on system

## Challenges

- The first database design we had was overly complex and was causing problems
  - We reworked the design that is more suitable for the system we currently have
- Had to learn more about PyQt and how it works
  - Had to figure out how it would connect to our MySQL database
- The store is very short staffed so it would sometimes take a while for them to reply to our emails



### Recommendations

If there's a team member with technical expertise	If there is no technical team member	If they don't want to pay for a subscription
Locally hosted server to set up, update, and backup	Fully hosted server such as Amazon AWS to manage updates, security, and backups of the database	Running the server off of the dedicated server rack that they already own instead of an old desktop

## **Next Steps**

- One of our stretch goals was implementing an expiration date tracking feature.
   Although we didn't have time to build it into the system, we recommend the following solutions:
  - Shelf stocking training: Instruct employees to place new inventory behind older items to ensure first-in, first-out (FIFO) rotation and reduce waste
  - Manual sell-by checks: Implement bi-weekly or monthly checks for items nearing expiration. While
    this requires some employee training, it would complement a future, automated expiration tracking
    feature.



# **Any Questions?**