Phase 7 – Integration & External Access

1. Introduction

This phase integrates the Punjab Flood Relief CRM with external services and APIs. It enables real-time communication with outside systems such as maps or demo APIs, ensures volunteers and NGOs get accurate data, and allows external users (donors) to interact through portals.

2. Named Credential Setup

Purpose: Provides a secure connection to an external API.

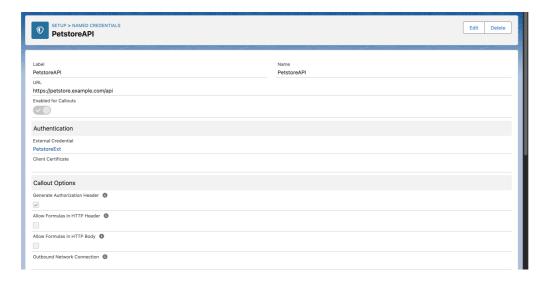
Steps:

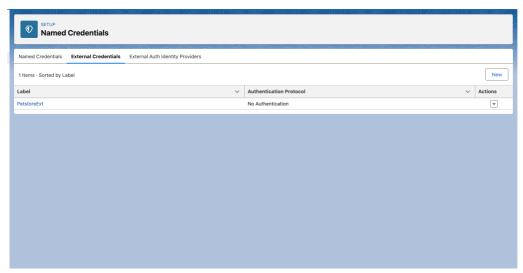
- Navigate: Setup → Quick Find → Named Credentials → New Named Credential
- Fill details:

Label: DemoAPI

o Name: DemoAPI

- URL: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/chinmay20cc/
 Disaster Relief CRM Salesforce/main
- Enabled for Callouts
- o **Authentication**: No Authentication (via External Credential if required).
- Save.





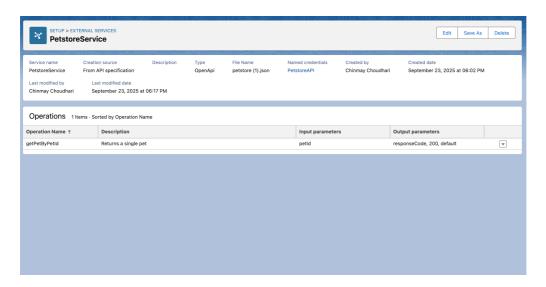
3. External Service Registration

Purpose: Registers the schema (API contract) so Salesforce can use it in Flow without Apex.

Steps:

- Navigate: Setup → External Services → New External Service
- Fill details:
 - o External Service Name: DemoService
 - Description: Demo API connected to Salesforce for Flood Relief CRM testing
 - Named Credential: Select DemoAPI

- Relative URL: /demo-service.json
- · Click Save.

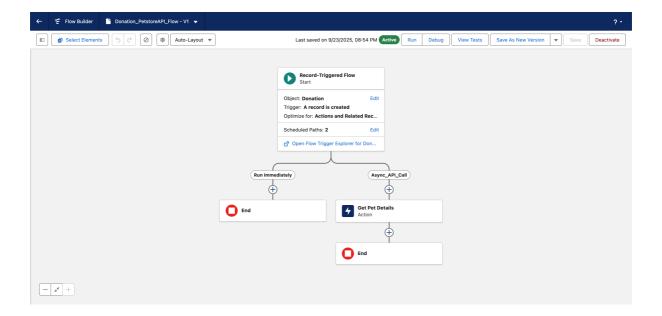


4. Flow Integration (Using External Service)

Purpose: Demonstrates how external APIs can be called from Salesforce Flows.

Steps:

- Navigate: Setup → Flows → New Flow
- Select Screen Flow → Create
- Add a Screen Element → Text/Number input for "Enter ID"
- Add Action → Search for DemoService → Select operation (e.g., hello)
- Map input variable to operation parameter
- Add Screen Element → Display Text → Show API Response ({! hello.message})
- Save & Activate the Flow



5. Conclusion

This phase connected Salesforce CRM with external APIs using **Named Credentials** and **External Services**.

It showed how a simple demo service can be called in a Flow, and how donors/volunteers could also access information through an external portal.

These integrations lay the foundation for adding real APIs (e.g., Google Maps, Payment Gateways) in the future.