NERD Brigade UX/UI Roadmap
Our Team's North Star
single source of truth

TEAM DEVELOPMENT

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Resources: Tools & Training Beneficiary + Need: Keep UX/UI team up to date with best practices and tools within the ever-changing industry to build employee morale, to improve designer's workflow and to improve knowledge sharing on the team. Business Need: With increasing workload, more efficient tools can improve employee productivity and training is an ongoing initiative to keep up to date with industry trends and keep an edge. Who + What: The team can complete relevant training and evaluate alternative and future tools to improve their productivity.		Collaborate on streamlining on processes Make case for Figma and present to Michelle and Todd (licensing) Create process around Figma	Research possibilities for team training

INITIATIVES

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Nebula Design System Beneficiary + Need: Create a common design language between UX/UI team and Front-End developers within AMOD. Business Need: Crafting cohesive and consistent experiences for the Workforce – providing them with accessible, desirable and usable tools to perform their job responsibilities. Who + What: UX/UI team will create and provide these guidelines to the developer.	Typography defined Color Palettes defined Needs have been identified Interface Inventory completed	Create Working Group for UX/UI Designers + Front End Developers to build rapport between teams and to encourage adaptation of the design system Publish Design Guiding Principles as a team	Design UI components working with group in sprints Continuously updating changes - archiving components, one-off cases, new variants and adding new components
Accessibility Beneficiary + Need: Adhering to ADA compliance (Section 508) for DIA Workforce. Business Need: Conforming to government guided accessibility principles is mandatory. https://www.section508.gov/manage/laws-and-policies/ Who + What: UX/UI team and Developers will fix these issues and prevent future instances of them to ensure we're compliant for the customer.	Accessibility Evaluation template created Accessibility presentation for the customer	Build guidelines into Nebula Design System Accessibility fixes are being addressed in GEOFLY	Assess existing apps for compliance and fix any found issues Implement accessibility into future apps and ensure it is tested before release

THEMES	COMPLETED	NOW	NEXT
Documentation Beneficiary + Need: UX/UI Team to develop a process for projects. Business Need: Keep documentation for accountability. - prevent any miscommunication and protect ourselves from future project creep. Documentation to preserve the processes and assist onboarding of new team members. Who + What: UX/UI team will document the innerworkings of their projects moving forward to streamline the process.			Document the processes from our findings after several projects Create Design Brief for projects to document team players, customer, deliverables and timeline Create Design Specs to ensure conformance to design styles
User Testing & Research Beneficiary + Need: UX/UI team will have more qualitative data to make better informed design decisions. Business Need: Better understanding the customer will prevent future redesigns due to unusable apps. Who + What: UX/UI team can gain valuable insight from user testing – actual users of our products vs benchmark usability testing within the project teams.			Build awareness around the value of user testing within AMOD Determine methods of testing applicable within the DIA

PROJECTS

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ADO Landing Page Beneficiary + Need: To provide the DIA Workforce with a directory to find MEME apps – tools developed to support their job responsibilities. Business Need: Create awareness for ADO office to attract new projects. Who + What: UX/UI team and Developers will design the page to better showcase the available tools for the analysts.	Mockups designed	Development in Progress Design of Documentation tab section	Design mockups for Nebula section