

Meeting Minutes:

Gratitude was a project that was born within Ben's Startup. The idea is to increment volunteer engagement in the GTA. They have provided us with the choice of 2 streams and we could pick up one of them.

Development Stream #1:

- Gratitude is trying to tackle the problem where volunteers often fall out from volunteering because they cannot see the impact that they're doing. This is often the reason people prefer volunteering over giving money.
- The first stream is a way in which non-profits can show their volunteers the work that they're doing + providing actionable paths i.e. reach to the organization to volunteer again, share the video with other, etc.
- Gratitude has already deployed a very basic webapp, which includes a form. The form contains the following:
 - Sender
 - Recipient
 - Video
 - 3 programmable action buttons
- Gratitude already has a team of volunteer developers which are really strong, thus they have an existing code base. So, this could be a potential downside of working in this web app.
- On the bright side, we likely wouldn't need to create our own user stories as they already have a bunch of issues on GitHub that they want us to tackle. Adam did mention, we can suggest new features however.
- Tech stack being used is View and Firebase
- Volunteer developers could also help us get onboarded with their codebase, he says they are really strong and have written good code (obviously we should still check code base)
- Plausible stories include: content management system to know what has been published in gratitude website, giving accounts to non-profits to monitor their submitted videos, etc.

Development Stream #2:

- Research has been done to quantify the social capital around the GTA.
- We should come up with a way to visualize this data. Ideally through a map which could pinpoint where acts of goodness have been done around the GTA.
- This could encourage neighbourhoods with low social capital score to increase their score.
- We would have absolute freedom on the tech stack as this would be started from scratch

- Ben could further explain what he would like for this stream in terms of requirements

General notes:

- The gratitude team has a weekly meeting from 6-8 that we could attend/call into.
- He will invite us to the slack where we can see the link to the GitHub repo
- We can always ask questions on their slack to ben, Adam or other developers