

Auxilium

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Abstract

Throughout recent years, the advancement in technology has provided a platform to communicate with people from all over the world. When it comes to concerns from the communities, it's far too often that the media provides evidence of unfortunate events encountered, specifically with the police force, after an event has occurred. I propose my app, Auxilium, helps the community voice events that are presently taking place.

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Imagine a platform where your voice and presence mattered and the protection of the Constitution was valid with every word and syllable. This idea, unfortunately, seems far off from the realities of daily oppressions people of color face daily. [1] Racial profiling has been a dangerous tactic police have used to target certain groups of people. A microcosm of this very issue has caused students attending University of California, Davis to feel extremely bitter towards the Davis police. [2] The app explores the many ways police brutality can slowly diminish with cooperation of the community. Helping the individuals in this community is what this app intends to do, which defines the very word *Auxilium*.

Description/Process

To achieve the objective of this app, the power of HTML/CSS/Javascript will be exercised. When the individual opens the app, there will be an opening page that greets, "Know your rights!" with an optional game. The "Know your rights!" message will turn into a link that would only take up a part of the page. The main page will include a map that the user can operate and pin their location. In case of an emergency, there will be buttons that the user can choose from to send out an alert to other users. The purpose for this optional alert is to notify others that, if close enough to the scene, can help in the situation. [3] If the user isn't in serious danger, there will be space to insert the ethnic group they identify with, gender preference, date along with their message. The app is designed to use crowd sourcing as a prevalent tool to watch police brutality go on a steady decline. There are websites like mine but no other cite includes crowd sourcing and group involvement.

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