Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

From Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Date Mon 8/18/2025 9:21 PM
To   Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>

Sounds great! Also, just to let you know, we were thrown a huge curveball last week - the other Gerontology professor and coordinator of the Gerontology program resigned, just a few days before the semester started. It has increased my workload tremendously, so if we don't get everything up and running as soon as we'd hoped, that's ok with me if it works for you.

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Date: Monday, August 18, 2025 at 8:41 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
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You're completely right, I see them now. Thank you for clarifying! I'll work on these changes and share an updated preview with you within the next week.

Best,
Evan

From: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2025 8:32:23 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
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Date: Monday, August 18, 2025 at 4:14 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

Thank you! My first day went great, and I hope yours did too. I just wanted to let you know that the answers in red didn't come through below your message. Could you resend them when you get a chance? Thanks!

Best,
Evan

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From: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2025 10:44:08 AM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan. I've answered your questions below in red! Hopefully, I didn't miss anything. I hope you have a great first day of classes!

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Date: Friday, August 15, 2025 at 1:22 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

Thank you for the kind words. I'm glad the preview feels right. Below are answers to your questions, along with a few points where your preferences will help guide the next steps.

Quick answers
What happens when someone offers to help?
Currently, clicking "Offer to Help" assigns the helper, marks the request "In Progress," and shows the helper's name on the card. For coordination, I can add a contact exchange feature.

- Question: Would you prefer a simple in-app message thread, or displaying profile contact info (email/phone) after a match? We can do either or both while keeping privacy controls simple. I think the in-app message thread seems like it would be good, unless that's complicated!

Category limits

There's no technical limit. A proposed starter set includes: Transportation, Household Tasks, Meals, Respite, Companionship, Childcare, Pet Care, Tech Help, Emotional Support, and Other.

- Question: Which categories would you like at launch? Should admins be able to add or hide categories directly from the admin panel? The categories you suggested look great! Here is a slightly revised set: Transportation, Errands, Household Tasks, Meals, Medical Support, Caregiving Assistance, Tech Help, Paperwork & Administrative Help, Companionship & Emotional Support, Childcare, Pet Care, Other. Yes, I would like to be able to add/hide categories down the road, if possible.

Location

Location is an optional profile field shown on requests. We don't use auto location, and users choose how specific they want to be.

- Question: What default level should we guide people toward: City, ZIP code, or neighborhood? Should the request form include an override like "This request is for ZIP ____"? Could we do city and zip code? I don't think we need the override because some people might be willing to go outside of their area. In other words, I don't want to limit people.
- Feature option: We could also allow users to drop a location pin (visible only to approved helpers) via Google or Apple Maps. This might be complex for some users.

Design notes

Typography: I'll increase font sizes where noted, including the "Need Help" text and dashboard card content.
Accent colors: I'll integrate your colors to add emphasis:

- Teal: #7A9E99
- Rose: #D8A8A0
  These could appear on buttons, tags, section headings, and link hovers.

Wix vs. member portal

Your public site content will live in Wix. The portal I'm building handles sign-in, requests, and announcements. We can either link from Wix to the portal or embed it.

- Question: Would you like me to design the Wix public pages too, so the look matches the portal, or will you handle those? I have been working with Wix a tiny bit and honestly find it so frustrating. If you have the bandwidth and hours to design those pages, it would be great.

What I need from you:

- A short About blurb for the public site
  The CARE Collective (Caregiver Assistance and Resource Exchange) is a community for caregivers in Southwest Missouri. The Collective is powered by caregivers themselves - neighbors supporting neighbors - along with students and volunteers who help maintain the site and coordinate resources. Together, we are building a space where caregivers can find connection, strength, and the support they deserve.

  This section could go in About or in the footer:

  This project was created by Dr. Maureen Templeman, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Gerontology at Missouri State University, with support from community partners and funding from the Southern Gerontological Society Innovative Projects Grant.
  *Feel free to add your name and role here if you'd like!
- Launch category list - done
- Your contact exchange preference - MSU email or swmocarecollective@gmail.com - Depends on will this will be used for...
- Your default location preference - Springfield, 65897
- Any priority sections for the public site -
  *What's happening - to include Events/Calendar
  *Mission: to connect caregivers with one another for the exchange of practical help, shared resources, and mutual support.
  *How It Works (need to write some instructions here maybe)

Next steps:

I'll implement the font, color, category, location updates, and other discussed features once I have your choices.

Also, thanks for the reminder about the timesheet. I'll make sure to submit it by Monday.

Thanks again for the thoughtful feedback. I'm excited to keep shaping this together!

Best,
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Sent: Friday, August 15, 2025 12:42 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Evan. I have been instructed to remind me to submit your time sheet by Monday! :-)
Maureen

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From: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2025 10:03:45 AM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan.

I got a chance to use the site a bit and it looks amazing - a million times better than I could have envisioned it!

I have just a couple of questions:
1. When a person responds to a help request, what happens next?
2. Is there a limit to the number of category options we can have when a person is submitting a request?
3. How does it know where the person is located? Is that something included in their profile?

I also have a couple of comments:
1. I think in some places the font could be bigger, like the text under Need Help, for example.
2. I love the look of the page. Just in case there are areas where you feel a page or section needs a pop of color, we can add the following: #7A9E99 and #D8A8A0.

I still need to get you some content for the Wix page, but remind me - did we decide that you would design that part too or am I doing that? Please let me know what else you need from me at this time! Thank you so much - I'm very excited about this!

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Date: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at 10:50 AM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

I hope your presentation went well! Glad to hear the time approver training is all set. I'm looking forward to hearing your thoughts once you've had a chance to look around the site. I'm confident we're on track for a strong and successful platform!

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From: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2025 7:58:23 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan. This is so exciting! I am going to take a close look at it tomorrow or Thursday. I have a presentation I am giving tomorrow morning, so I'm obsessing over that currently. The good news is I completed the time approver training today so you will get paid on time as long as I do it correctly! Anyway, I will email you as soon as I get a chance to look around the site. Thank you so much!
Maureen

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From: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 6:21:16 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

I've set up an early preview of the CARE Collective platform for you to explore and provide feedback. This is a working prototype demonstrating the core functionality we discussed.

Preview Site: https://care-collective-preview.vercel.app/

Admin Demo Account:

- **Email:** maureentempleman@demo.org

- **Password:** CarePreview2025!

- **Login page:** https://care-collective-preview.vercel.app/login

What's Ready to Test:

- User registration and login system

- Help request creation with categories (groceries, transport, medical, household, other)

- Community browsing and request management

- Admin panel with moderation tools

- Status workflow (open → in progress → completed)

- Demo data with 17 sample help requests

Important Notes:

- Early version: revisions will be made based on your feedback

- Credentials are displayed on the homepage for reference

- All data is for demonstration purposes and can be reset anytime

- This preview page will eventually be replaced by your Wix homepage

- Members will access the portal via your existing Wix site

Next Steps: Please explore the platform and share your thoughts on:

- User experience and navigation

- Color scheme and visual design

- Features needing adjustment or addition

- Content or workflow changes

I'm especially interested in how well this aligns with your vision for the CARE Collective community platform.

Looking forward to your feedback!

Best,

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From: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 6, 2025 1:05 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

Sounds great, thanks for the update! I'll take a look at the additional colors you mentioned in Wix. Let me know when you've finalized them, and I'll be sure to incorporate those into the branding pallet.

Best,
Evan Musick

From: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 6, 2025 10:39:41 AM

To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Evan. I think the color palette you chose is very nice and similar to what I had started using when working on the site yesterday, but it started to look drab just using that range of colors, so I found some other colors that could be incorporated as well. If you go into the Design section of Wix, I think you can see what I was working on last night. Once I finalize the additional colors, I will email them to you as well.

Maureen

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From: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 6, 2025 9:46:27 AM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

Great to hear from you, my week is going well, thanks! I received the invitation to collaborate on the new Wix site and the role of Website Designer works perfectly.

Congrats on securing the domain swmocarecollective.org, that is excellent news! Also, the logo looks great! I found and downloaded it from the Wix dashboard. Please feel free to explore and experiment with the templates. Let me know when you find any you particularly like or if you want feedback on specific options.

Thank you for sending over the initial ideas for the sections. These are very helpful as a starting point. Once you have additional content for those sections, please send it my way. I'll start structuring the site based on your notes and our project guidelines.

I've attached a design board that highlights a color palette that matches your logo. Let me know how you feel about these choices. I have also begun working on some low-fidelity wireframe mockups for the exchange platform, and will provide high-fidelity color versions soon.

Regarding the contact setup mentioned in your notes, creating a dedicated Gmail account would be a good idea for consistent and organized communication.

No worries about the Wix site switch, glad we are all set now!

I will try and get back to you soon with those proposed wireframes / mock-ups for you to view.

Looking forward to our continued progress!

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Sent: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 7:04 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi again, Evan. I added you to a new Wix site because the old one seemed to only be allowing me to use the AI designer, not the editing mode. Sorry for the confusion!

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Date: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 6:16 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan. I hope your week is off to a good start!

Great news - I got my domain: swmocarecollective.org! I added you as a collaborator on the Wix site. Please let me know if you did not receive that invitation. I assigned you the role of Website Designer, but if you think a different role is appropriate, please let me know!

You will be able to see my logo in there, and that is what I would like to design the site around. I wouldn't mind tinkering with some of their templates to see if there are a few I like, so I can let you know when I do that.

Regarding the sections for the Wix site, I've attached a list of ideas. I don't have much content for each section yet, but hopefully it is a helpful starting point.

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Date: Friday, August 1, 2025 at 9:05 AM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

No worries! I completely understand. I really appreciate the update, and there's no need to feel rushed about the information. I've been working on setting up and building other parts of the site that don't depend on the details from my last email, so things are still moving forward on my end.

Wishing you a smooth weekend as you gear up for the semester!

Best,
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Hi, Evan. I'm sorry I haven't gotten back to you; I've been working on prepping my fall courses this week! I will try sometime over the weekend to get you the information you need. I am feeling a bit overwhelmed at the moment with the realization of how soon classes begin! I apologize!

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From: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 11:38 AM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

Thanks for following up and providing such clear answers. That helps a lot as we move into the next phase of the project.

Domain Name
I reviewed the screenshot you sent. I normally recommend going with the first option: "Private registration and DNSSEC" for $12.90/year. It offers the most protection by keeping your contact info private and helping prevent domain hijacking or spoofing. This level of security is especially important for a project like this where trust and privacy matter. If you prefer to start without domain protection to save the budget, that is fine too. This is just an extra layer of security for the domain itself.

Once you register swmocarecollective.org, feel free to share DNS access or login details when you're ready, and I can get the initial deployment pipeline set up.

Background-Check Vendor
Thanks for clarifying your budget. Based on the $600 estimate, Checkr looks like a solid match. They offer flexible pricing and integrate well with Supabase or Payload. Sterling looks to be more for enterprise level organization.

Email Branding and Visual Identity

I agree that a clean, plain-text email with a simple signoff like "– CARE Collective Team" works well for now. We can always attach branding assets like a logo once created.

Do you already have a logo or preferred color palette you'd like to use for the site? If not, I can create options for a simple visual identity with calming, accessible colors and a basic wordmark. Just let me know if you have a general direction in mind (for example, professional and neutral, or warm and friendly, etc.).

Admin Panel Access (CMS)

You'll have access to the admin panel (Payload CMS), but I'll also make sure the key parts are easy to manage without needing to touch anything too technical. I'll include a walkthrough and cheat sheet so you can post announcements or events if you ever want to. If not, I'm happy to help maintain content whenever needed.

Wix Account Access and Apps

If you'd like to grant me access to the Wix account, that would be helpful. I can assist with configuration for the landing page and check what premium apps are available in your plan. That will also help us avoid overlapping tools and make sure we're only using what's helpful.

What I Need to Get Started:

- Confirmation once the domain is registered
- Any content you'd like on the Home, About, or FAQ pages (even just rough notes are fine)
- Access to the Wix dashboard (if you'd like me to assist with configuration and app review)
- Any branding elements or preferences (or I can help create them)

Once I have those pieces, I can continue with development. I'll track my time and log it to a post–August 1st entry as you mentioned. Let me know if you'd like to meet again before August 12 to finalize any decisions or go over the initial site setup.

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Sent: Monday, July 28, 2025 6:40:59 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan.

I wanted to get back to you about the questions you asked in a previous email. I've answered them here.

Domain Name: Do you have a preferred domain name, or should we register a temporary one for development? I would like to use **swmocarecollective.org** and I get 1 year free with Wix. However, when I go to register it, I am asked about privacy. I've attached a screenshot. Which one do you think I need?

Background-Check Vendor: Do you have a preference between providers like Checkr or Sterling, or should we recommend based on features and pricing? I don't have a preference, but I budgeted for 20 checks at $30 each ($600 total), so whichever one is closest to that in price would work.

Email Branding: Should system emails (magic-link logins, notifications) include custom branding, or are plain transactional messages acceptable? Let me know your thoughts, but I feel like they could be plain with a simple signature at the bottom.

Long-term Maintenance: Will you want direct access to the CMS/admin panel for ongoing content management, or should our development team remain the primary maintainer? This is tricky! I'm not sure I will know what to do with the panel, but I am also not sure if I can pay for long-term maintenance.

I also wondered if you wanted to have access to the Wix account. There are some apps that I have access to with the premium account, and I am not sure which ones I should take advantage of. Would you be able to advise?

What else do you need from me to get started?

One more thing - If you decide to work this week (no pressure), be sure to keep track of your hours, and then you can add them to the timesheet on a random day post-August 1. I am attending the next MSU time approver training on August 12. I'm not sure what your pay periods will be, but I am hoping that will allow me to approve your time before the first pay date!

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Date: Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 6:04 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
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Thank you so much!

I'm planning to stop by tomorrow between 2:30 and 3 PM. I can let you know closer to that time if needed so DeVonna knows to expect me.

Looking forward to continuing the project and will be in touch.

Have a great rest of your day!

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From: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2025 2:07 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
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Great! I'm looking forward to this collaboration!

The office is on the 4th floor of Strong Hall, immediately to the left when you get off the north elevator. DeVonna is our administrative assistant. She will be there today until 4:45 and tomorrow from 8 - 4:45. Just let me know when you decide to go so I can tell her to expect you. Sadly, I will not be able to be there, but I will follow up soon!

Have a great day!

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Date: Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 11:45 AM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
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Maureen,

Thanks for the update! I'm completely comfortable moving forward and understand the budget adjustment. We can absolutely stay within the new $10/month target.

Proposed stack for the MVP
- Supabase Free Tier ($0) – handles our database, authentication, file storage, and real-time features.
- Vercel Hobby Plan ($0) – hosts the Next.js site and pairs seamlessly with Supabase.

This combination gives us a stable, fully managed setup for the message board, user accounts, and basic automations at no monthly cost. When usage grows, we can upgrade Supabase to the Pro plan or scale Vercel with minimal changes.

For the onboarding paperwork, I can stop by the department front desk any time today, tomorrow, or any day next week during normal business hours. Just let me know what time works best for the administrative assistant.

Excited to get started!

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Evan,

If you are sure you are comfortable with this idea, then I would like to move forward. The only issue is that I won't have $30/month for the setup anymore since I spent some of the money allocated for that on the Wix subscription. Now I will only have about $10/month. It looks like the most expensive part is Supabase Pro. Is there a lower tier that could work for the time being?

If you decide you would like to do the project, you will just need to go to the front desk of my department on campus with your driver's license and social security card OR your passport to get the ball rolling. If you can let me know a few times you'd be available, I can check to be sure the administrative assistant can be there.

Thank you again for your flexibility and thoughtfulness. I appreciate it!

Maureen

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Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

Thanks for the thoughtful follow-up, and no worries at all on locking in the Wix promo. I think your proposed approach is actually a great middle ground.

Using Wix as the main landing page for things like the mission, contact info, updates, and calendar makes a lot of sense. I'm definitely open to helping build and integrate the more dynamic features (like the Help Exchange board, admin dashboard, and more) separately, while making sure everything feels visually cohesive and user-friendly.

With the right design alignment and simple navigation between the Wix site and the custom tools, we can create a smooth, unified experience for users, even if things are running on different platforms behind the scenes.

If this direction still feels aligned, I can start outlining the next steps or mockups. But please don't feel rushed. I completely understand this is a big and important decision, and I want you to take whatever time you need to think it through.

Happy to discuss more if questions come up.

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Hi, Evan.

Thank you for your response and for being transparent around the limitations of Wix. Before I received your message, I did purchase a Wix subscription to take advantage of the promo that ended today ($14.50/month for the Core plan).

That said, now that I have read your response, I wanted to propose a possible middle-ground. Would it be feasible to use Wix as a simple landing page that shares the mission, contact information, updates, calendar, etc., and then link out to the more dynamic custom-built features you have recommended? If so, would you be open to helping ensure that the custom features are smoothly integrated with the Wix landing page so that it all seems cohesive?

Of course, if this setup doesn't feel like the right fit for you, I completely understand. I just wanted to check in before making any more decisions.

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Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 5:11 PM
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Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Maureen,

I completely understand your concerns around being able to manage the site independently long-term. It's clear you're thinking carefully about what will be most sustainable for you and the project, and I really appreciate that clarity.

After thinking it over, I want to be upfront and say that I wouldn't feel comfortable proceeding with Wix for this project. I genuinely don't believe it could support all the features we've discussed, and I worry that we'd quickly hit limitations that would compromise the experience we're aiming to create. While Wix can work well for simpler sites, this project has a more custom and dynamic vision that I don't think it could handle in a sustainable way.

That said, I feel fully confident that we can bring your vision to life using the Next.js stack I proposed. I understand the importance of being able to manage the site yourself, and I'm happy to include training and clear documentation for a custom admin interface to make the hand-off as smooth and user-friendly as possible.

In fact, the setup I have in mind is particularly well-suited for small projects like this one. With a lightweight admin dashboard, you'd be able to easily update content, manage features, and keep things running smoothly without needing any technical background. At the same time, we'd be building on a foundation that can scale with you. If the project grows in scope or you want to add new tools or integrations down the line, the structure we put in place now will make that process far easier and more flexible than something like Wix could offer.

At the end of the day, I want you to feel confident in both the final product and your ability to maintain it. I'm still very excited about the direction we've mapped out, and I'd love to continue working together if we can align on the right foundation.

I completely understand if you decide to move forward with Wix and another developer, and either way, I'd be more than happy to keep in touch.

Let me know how you'd like to proceed. The goals and initiatives behind the CARE Collective genuinely resonate with me, and I'd love the opportunity to support that mission if we find the right fit moving forward.

Best regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 10:03 AM
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Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan.

Thanks again for putting together such a thoughtful and well-organized proposal. It's clear you've put a lot of time and care into it, and I really appreciate that.

As I've been thinking more about what will be most sustainable for the project long-term, I've decided that I need to feel confident in managing the site myself after the initial setup, and I am a bit intimidated by the setup that you have proposed. With that in mind, I'm wondering if you would be open to building the site in Wix instead. I know it's a different direction than we discussed, but I think it would still cover the main goals for the project, and it would allow me to make updates more confidently and keep things running without needing ongoing tech support.

Would you still be interested in doing the project if we went that route? If so, do you think it would be possible to include most of the features we talked about? Currently, Wix is running a promo on premium plans, making the Core plan $14.50/month and the Business plan $19.50, which would leave a little wiggle room in the budget to add a few extra features or tools.

I do want to be mindful of your goals for your portfolio, so if the shift makes the project less useful for you in that way, I completely understand. Please let me know your thoughts.

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Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at 1:01 PM
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Subject: CARE Collective Kick-Off – Meeting Summary & Next Steps

Dear Dr. Templeman,

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me today to discuss the CARE Collective project. I'm excited to partner with you on this meaningful initiative that will provide much-needed support to family caregivers in your community.

Meeting Details

Date: Tuesday, July 22 @ 11:30 AM CST
Duration: ~ 60 minutes
Attendees: Dr. Maureen Templeman (Project Owner), Evan Musick (Developer)
Objective: Align on project goals, MVP scope, timeline, communication plan, and responsibilities

Project Overview

Goal: Create an accessible, mobile-first community platform for family caregivers to request/offer help, view announcements, and coordinate events.

Primary Users: Caregivers and community organizers

Key Pain Points Addressed:

- Fragmented communication across multiple channels
- Lack of trust and verification in community support networks
- No centralized support hub for caregivers

Success Metrics: Engagement from 5–25 pilot users, consistent usage of Help Exchange Board, and positive feedback within the first 3 months

MVP Features

Our minimum viable product will include:

- **User Authentication:** Magic link login system powered by Supabase Auth
- **Help Exchange Board:** Real-time posting and responding to help requests and offers
- **Admin-Managed Announcements:** Centralized communication for important updates
- **Event Calendar:** Community events with RSVP functionality
- **Basic Messaging:** Direct communication between caregivers
- **Admin Dashboard:** User and content moderation tools
- **Background-Check Integration:** Vendor selection still in progress
- **Mobile-Responsive UI:** Built with Tailwind CSS v4 and shadcn/ui components

Tech Stack

- **Frontend:** Next.js 15 (App Router with Server-Side Rendering)
- **Styling:** Tailwind CSS + shadcn/ui for accessibility compliance
- **Backend:** Supabase (database, authentication, real-time updates with Row Level Security)
- **Content Management:** Payload CMS for admin content control
- **Hosting:** Vercel for deployment and serverless functions
- **Background Jobs:** Vercel Cron for scheduled tasks

Timeline

Target Launch: September 2025

Budget & Cost Estimates

- **Development Cost:** $500 (20 hours × $25/hour)
- **Estimated Monthly Operating Cost:** ~$30
  - Supabase Pro: $25
  - Domain registration: $1
  - Postmark Email service: $4
  - Vercel Hobby tier: $0

Note: Background-check vendor pricing is still being determined and may affect monthly operating costs.

Communication Plan

- **Weekly Check-ins:** 15-minute meetings (day and time to be coordinated via email)
- **Primary Communication:** Email

Assumptions & Technical Notes

- Project scope is limited to MVP functionality through initial launch
- Platform will adhere to WCAG accessibility standards
- Supabase Row Level Security (RLS) will protect user data at the database level
- Content moderation will be handled manually through the admin dashboard
- Platform will be optimized for mobile devices and modern browsers

- Client will provide brand assets, content guidelines, and feedback

Next Steps

- Share branding assets and community guidelines

- Answer any clarifying questions

- Provide any additional information, features, or ideas necessary

Questions for Clarification

To ensure we're aligned on all aspects of the project, I'd appreciate your input on these questions:

1. **Domain Name:** Do you have a preferred domain name, or should we register a temporary one for development?

2. **Background-Check Vendor:** Do you have a preference between providers like Checkr or Sterling, or should we recommend based on features and pricing?

3. **Email Branding:** Should system emails (magic-link logins, notifications) include custom branding, or are plain transactional messages acceptable?

4. **Long-term Maintenance:** Will you want direct access to the CMS/admin panel for ongoing content management, or should our development team remain the primary maintainer?

I'm looking forward to working with you on this important project. The CARE Collective has the potential to make a real difference in the lives of family caregivers, and I'm committed to delivering a platform that meets their needs effectively and securely.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or clarifications. If approved, we can follow up later this week or next to schedule our first check-in meeting. It was really great to meet you, and I enjoyed learning more about CARE Collective!

Best regards,

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Perfect, that works great for me!

Thank you and I hope you have a great weekend too!

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Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2025 6:55:41 PM

To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
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Ok, let's plan to meet Tuesday at 11:30 AM on Zoom.

Here is the meeting link: https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/86550325125

Have a great weekend! 😊

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Date: Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 11:31 AM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Dr. Templeman,

Thank you for reaching out. I appreciate the opportunity to discuss the CARE Collective project further.

I'm available during either of the times you mentioned and would be glad to meet. I do have a slight preference for Zoom, but I'm flexible if an in-person meeting is easier for you.

Please feel free to choose whatever works best for your schedule. I look forward to meeting with you!

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Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2025 10:22:43 AM
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Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan.

Thank you again for sharing your work and your interest in the CARE Collective web design project. I appreciated the thought and style behind your examples, and I'd love to set up a brief meeting to talk more about the project and your potential fit for the role.

Would you be available sometime early next week for a short (15-20 minute) Zoom or in-person meeting? I am available to meet on or near campus Monday, 7/21 From 11:30 AM - 2 PM, and on Zoom Tuesday, 7/22 from 11:30 AM - 3 PM. Please let me know if there is a time in there that works for you.

Looking forward to meeting with you!

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Date: Wednesday, July 2, 2025 at 3:19 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi Dr. Templeman,

Thanks so much for your reply and detailed information. The CARE Collective sounds like a wonderful initiative, and I'd love the opportunity to be part of it.

Here are three websites I've designed that showcase my style and approach to building clean, user-friendly interfaces:

- https://www.timberandthreadsretreat.com

- https://www.hoffmangruppe.com

- https://www.xzackt.com

Each one was built with a focus on clarity, accessibility, and aligning the design with the organization's goals and audience. I'm confident I could bring that same attention to detail to the CARE Collective site.

Let me know if you'd like to schedule a quick meeting or if there's anything else you'd like to see from me.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Best,

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Sent: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 7:10:38 PM
To: Musick, Evan C <Musick1@live.missouristate.edu>
Subject: Re: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Hi, Evan. Thank you so much for reaching out to express your interest in the web design project!

I am leading a grant-funded project called the CARE Collective, which aims to support family caregivers through a flexible, community-based exchange model.

As part of this effort, I would like to develop a website that will:
- Allow caregivers to offer or request help from each other
- Share announcements, meeting details, and general program information
- Potentially connect with a background check system (required if caregivers are exchanging respite care)

The site will be built on a platform like WordPress or Wix. I am looking for a student who can create a site that is both easy to navigate and visually appealing, with a clean and professional look that also reflects the community-focused spirit of the project.

The role will be paid through the grant, with a budget of $500 allocated for the web design work. Based on a rate of $20-25/hour, I estimate that would cover roughly 20 hours of work to be completed by mid-September. If the project goes well, there may be opportunities for paid work related to tech support or updates during the academic year.

If you are still interested, could you send me 1-2 examples of websites you've created by **Monday, July 15**? They can be class projects, personal work, or anything that showcases your style and skills. I will follow up with a few students whose work seems like a good fit to set up brief meetings, with the goal of starting the project by late July.

Thanks again and I look forward to seeing your work!

Warmly,

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Date: Friday, June 27, 2025 at 12:20 PM
To: Templeman, Maureen E <MaureenTempleman@MissouriState.edu>
Subject: Interest in Web Design Opportunity

Dear Dr. Templeman,
I hope you're doing well. I came across your message about needing a web design student for a short-term project, and I'd love to connect. I'm a Computer Science and Data Science student here at MSU with experience in modern web development tools like Next.js, Tailwind CSS, and responsive UI design.
I'd be happy to learn more about the project and see how I can help. Please let me know a good time to talk, or feel free to share more details when convenient.
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