

API Documentation

Proxy server

- Proxy server acts as middleware to direct any API request.
- When an API call is made to send or receive any data through browser, browser blocks it (gives CORS error) for its own security purpose, if the site from which request is send (say <https://myportfolioio.com>) is not same as site to which request is send (say <https://webflow.com>)
- To resolve this, we need to create a server (proxy server), that will behave as if the browser is sending the request to same site.
- Proxy server will receive the request from browser (say <https://myportfolioio.com>) and then sends it to the other site (say <https://webflow.com>) and then receive the response from other site (say <https://webflow.com>) and send it back to browser (say <https://myportfolioio.com>)

Webyansh proxy server

<https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/>

- Webyansh-proxy-server has been created to send and receive request from other sites, especially to utilize webflow APIs to get and update data to webflow CMS.
- The code is hosted on Webyansh GitHub (<https://github.com/webyansh/proxy-server>)
- The site/URL is hosted on vercel (<https://vercel.com/webyanshs-projects>)

Methods

Different methods are designed for different purpose

- GET - To receive any data, such as list of items in a CMS or list of collections in a site
- POST - To send data.
- PATCH - To update data in CMS such as creating an item in CMS based on data user submits in a form.

API Structure

1. GET : Get all collection list from a webflow site

The screenshot displays the Webflow Developers API documentation for the 'List Collections' endpoint. The main content area shows the endpoint URL, required scope, path params, and a list of responses. A sidebar on the left shows the API structure with 'List Collections' highlighted. A right sidebar shows a 'FETCH REQUEST' code snippet and a 'RESPONSE' example.

Endpoint: `GET https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/{site_id}/collections`

Required scope: `cms:read`

Path Params: `site_id` (string, required, Defaults to 669ca79ffbea688c8cd512c, Unique identifier for a Site)

Responses:

- 200: Request was successful
- 400: Request body was incorrectly formatted. Likely invalid JSON being sent up.
- 401: Provided access token is invalid or does not have access to requested resource
- 404: Requested resource not found
- 429: The rate limit of the provided access_token has been reached. Please have your application respect the X-RateLimit-Remaining header we

Fetch Request:

```
const options = {
  method: 'GET',
  headers: {
    accept: 'application/json',
    authorization: 'Bearer 7c9db4d07ff4be24ad967e4fa214ff3a5eedf71c7112d98a32l'
  },
};

fetch('https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/669ca79ffbea688c8cd512c/collections', options)
  .then(response => response.json())
  .then(response => console.log(response))
  .catch(err => console.error(err));
```

Response:

```
{
  "collections": [
    {
      "id": "63692ab61fb2852f582ba8f5",
      "displayName": "Products",
      "singularName": "Product",
      "slug": "product",
      "createdAt": "2019-06-12T13:35:14.238Z",
    }
  ]
}
```

```

async function getCollectionList() {
  try {

    // STEP-1: Define webflow variables
    const webflowApiData = {
      site_url: "https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/",
      collection_url: "https://api.webflow.com/v2/collections/",
      site_id: "669ca79ffbea6888c8cd512c",
      optionData: { // This is the data that will be send to Webflow (matching
with format - developers.webflow.com)
        options: {
          method: "GET",
          headers: {
            accept: "application/json",
            authorization: "Bearer 7c9db4d07ff4be24ad967e4fa214ff3a5eedf71
c7112d98a32ba022552d53371"
          }
        }
      }
    };

    // STEP-2: Defind request URL
    let requestURL = `https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/669ca79ffbea6888c8cd512c/co
llections/`;

    // STEP-3: Define proxy server variables
    const proxyServerOptions = { // This is the data required by webyansh-proxy
-server
      method: "POST",
      headers: {
        "Content-Type": "application/json"
      },
      body: JSON.stringify({
        request_url: requestURL,
        options: webflowApiData.optionData.options
      })
    };

    // STEP-4: Call API
    const response = await fetch('https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow
-api', proxyServerOptions);
    const receivedData = await response.json();

    // STEP-5: Test data
    console.log(receivedData); // Print the data if required

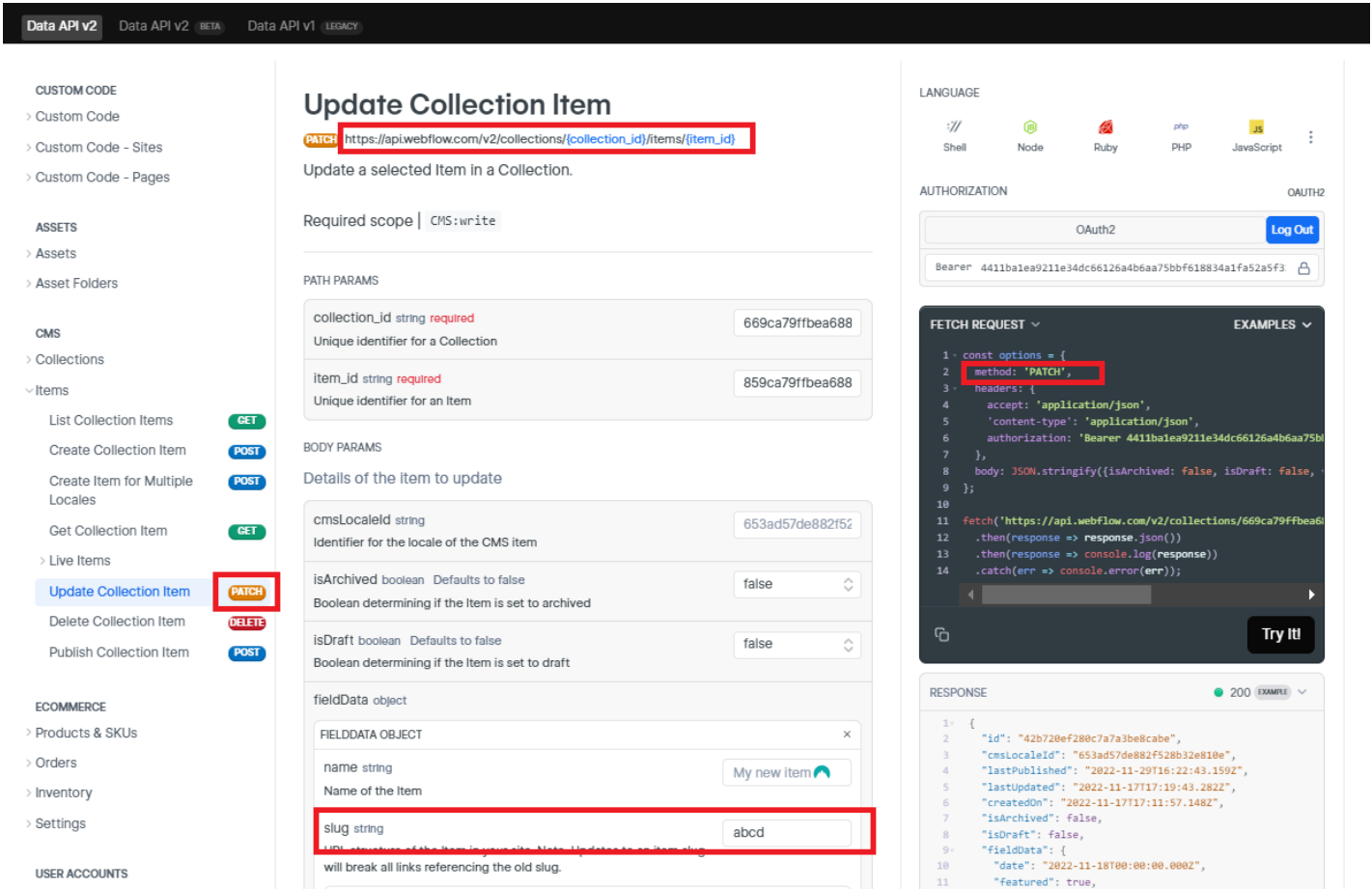
    // STEP-6: Perform operations on received data
    const dataArray = receivedData.collections;
    for(let i=0; i<dataArray.length; i++){
      // Get slug name of each collection and print
      const slugName = dataArray[i].slug;
      console.log(slugName);
    }

  } catch (error) {
    console.error("Error:", error);
    throw error;
  }
}

```

```
// Function to get site's collection list
getCollectionList();
```

2. PATCH : Update slug name of all fields of a CMS collection [Prefix slug name with 'testing']



```
async function updateCollectionSlug() {
  try {

    // STEP-1: Define webflow variables
    const webflowApiData = {
      site_url: "https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/",
      collection_url: "https://api.webflow.com/v2/collections/",
      site_id: "669ca79ffbea6888c8cd512c",
      collection_id: "669ca79ffbea6888c8cd51d7",
      optionData: { // This is the data that will be send to Webflow (matching
with format - developers.webflow.com)
        options: {
          method: "GET",
          headers: {
            accept: "application/json",
            'content-type': 'application/json',
            authorization: "Bearer 7c9db4d07ff4be24ad967e4fa214ff3a5eedf71
c7112d98a32ba022552d53371"
          }
        }
      }
    };

    // STEP-2: Defind request URL
    let requestURL = `https://api.webflow.com/v2/collections/669ca79ffbea6888c8cd5
1d7/items/`;

    // STEP-3: Define proxy server variables
    const proxyServerOptions = { // This is the data required by webyansh-proxy
-server
      method: "POST",
```

```

        headers: {
            "Content-Type": "application/json"
        },
        body: JSON.stringify({
            request_url: requestURL,
            options: webflowApiData.optionData.options
        })
    });

    // STEP-4: Call API to Receive all data of collection
    const response = await fetch('https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow-api', proxyServerOptions);
    const receivedData = await response.json();

    // STEP-5: Test data
    console.log(receivedData); // Print the data if required

    // STEP-6: Perform operations on received data
    const dataArray = receivedData.items;
    for(let i=0; i<dataArray.length;i++){

        // Get slug name and item id of each item
        const prevSlug = dataArray[i].fieldData.slug; // eg: 'mountain-view'
        const itemId = dataArray[i].id; // eg: "669ca79ffbea6888c8cd5277"

        // update slug name
        const newSlug = `testing-${prevSlug}`; // eg: 'testing-mountain-view'

        ////////////////////////////////// update new slug to webflow

        // step-1: change method to PATCH from GET
        webflowApiData.optionData.options.method = "PATCH";
        // step-2: save slug data
        webflowApiData.optionData.options.body = JSON.stringify({
            fieldData: {
                slug: newSlug
            }
        });
        // step-3: update request_url to particular item id
        const newRequestURL = `${requestURL}${itemId}`;
        proxyServerOptions.body = JSON.stringify({
            request_url: newRequestURL,
            options: webflowApiData.optionData.options
        })
        // step-4: call API to update data
        const newResponse = await fetch('https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow-api', proxyServerOptions);
        const newReceivedData = await newResponse.json();

        // STEP-5: Test data
        console.log(newReceivedData); // Print the data if required
    }

} catch (error) {
    console.error("Error:", error);
    throw error;
}

```

```

}

// Function to get site's collection list
updateCollectionSlug();

```

Important Note: The above structure has hard-coded the **collection-id and item-id** which may change on adding or deleting any field into CMS collection. Hence, it is better to get these values dynamically and only hard-code the **site-id** which remains constant through out the project as well as the **request URL**.

Better Approach:

```

async function updateCollectionSlug() {
  try {

    const webflowApiData = {
      site_url: "https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/",
      collection_url: "https://api.webflow.com/v2/collections/",
      site_id: "669ca79ffbea6888c8cd512c",
      optionData: {
        options: {
          method: "GET",
          headers: {
            accept: "application/json",
            'content-type': 'application/json',
            authorization: "Bearer 7c9db4d07ff4be24ad967e4fa214ff3a5eedf71c7112d98a32ba022552d53371"
          }
        }
      }
    };

    // Define Site URL to get all CMS collection
    let requestURL = `${webflowApiData.site_url}${webflowApiData.site_id}/collections`; // [https://api.webflow.com/v2/sites/669ca79ffbea6888c8cd512c/collections]

    const proxyServerOptions = {
      method: "POST",
      headers: {
        "Content-Type": "application/json"
      },
      body: JSON.stringify({
        request_url: requestURL,
        options: webflowApiData.optionData.options
      })
    };

    // Call API to Receive all CMS collection
    const response = await fetch('https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow-api', proxyServerOptions);
    const receivedData = await response.json();

    const collectionList = receivedData.collections;

    // Get collection to be updated using its slug-name
    const propertyVibesColl = collectionList.find((collection) => collection.slug === "property-vibe") // Hard-code collection slug name from CMS
    const propertyVibesCollId = propertyVibesColl.id;

    // Get slug names of all items from property vibe collection
    webflowApiData.optionData.options.method = "GET";

```

```

const propVibeCollUrl = `${webflowApiData.collection_url}${propertyVibesCollId}/items/`; // [https://api.webflow.com/v2/collections/123456789/items/]
proxyServerOptions.body = JSON.stringify({
  request_url: propVibeCollUrl,
  options: webflowApiData.optionData.options
});
const propVibeResponse = await fetch('https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow-api', proxyServerOptions);
const propVibeReceivedData = await propVibeResponse.json();
const propVibedataArray = propVibeReceivedData.items;

for(let i=0; i<propVibedataArray.length;i++){

  const prevSlug = propVibedataArray[i].fieldData.slug;
  const itemId = propVibedataArray[i].id;
  const newSlug = `testing-${prevSlug}` ;

  ////////////////////////////////// update new slug to webflow

  webflowApiData.optionData.options.method = "PATCH";
  webflowApiData.optionData.options.body = JSON.stringify({
    fieldData: {
      slug: newSlug
    }
  });
  const newRequestURL = `${propVibeCollUrl}${itemId}`; // [https://api.webflow.com/v2/collections/123456789/items/987456321]
  proxyServerOptions.body = JSON.stringify({
    request_url: newRequestURL,
    options: webflowApiData.optionData.options
  })
  const newResponse = await fetch('https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow-api', proxyServerOptions);
  const newReceivedData = await newResponse.json();

  // Test data
  console.log(newReceivedData);
}

} catch (error) {
  console.error("Error:", error);
  throw error;
}

// Function to get site's collection list
updateCollectionSlug();

```

NOTE: Another advantage of using the above approach is that if there are multiple functions like `updateCollectionSlug()`, `getCollectionSlug()`, each calling separate API, then instead of defining the variables - `webflowApiData`, and `proxyServerOptions` within each function, we can define them globally and pass them into each function - `updateCollectionSlug(webflowApiData, proxyServerOptions)` as it would be same.

3. POST: Post methods are used to create new CMS collection or new item in a collection. Example - hopstack → directory forms: Creating a new item in directory form each time user submits a form

Sending data to sites other than webflow

- All the above API structure is used to deal with webflow APIs since their routes ended with /webflow-api (<https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/webflow-api>)
- To deal with other site APIs like teleCRM [sliceinn], package-tracker [shop-box] APIs etc., we need to change the route to /others (<https://webyansh-proxy-server.vercel.app/others>).
- Methods will work similar as previous.