WorldByMe: A Role-Based Access System for Non-Profit Service Providers

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Motivation

In recent years, especially considering the COVID-19 pandemic, **chronic homelessness** has become a significant issue **in local Arizonan communities**. Despite local non-profits providing services that focus on helping those who are facing homelessness, **privatized communication silos** within nonprofits and the local governments **reduce the overall impact of aid.** Therefore, we can identify **the following issues:**

• Navigators connect individuals to resources, but **outdated/fragmented data** complicates the process.

• A **secure, centralized system** is needed to improve **collaboration** and positively impact people's lives.

Solution Overview

Our project aims to resolve the cascading effects of siloed communication between the local governments and non-profit organizations through a **centralized role-based access database system** for Navigators. Our shared database access approach will allow:

• Navigators **to receive real-time information** on available services

• Non-profit organizations to **advertise their services** for each Navigator to see
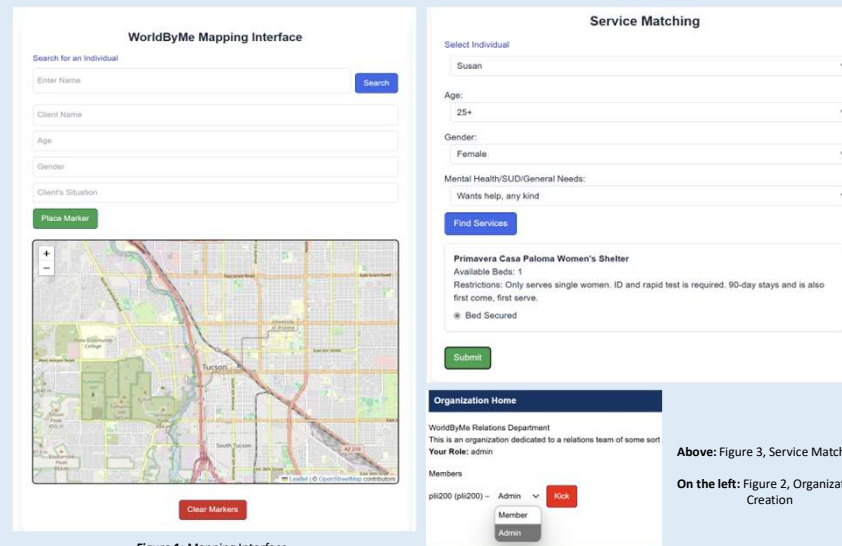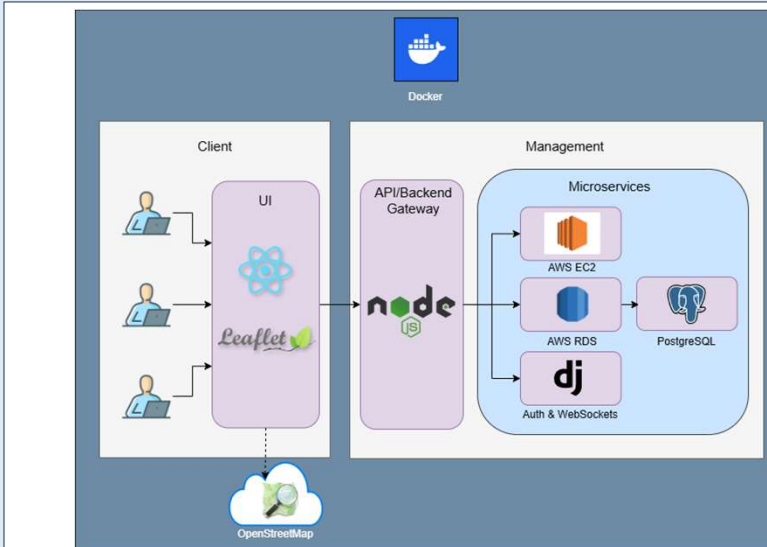
Current UI

Figure 1: Mapping Interface

Above: Figure 3, Service Matching

On the left: Figure 2, Organization Creation

Architecture

Challenges/Outcomes

While developing our **role-based access system**, we faced **numerous challenges**:

• Django Migrations
• Reaching Our Database
• Huge Learning Curve

Despite these challenges we were able to create **a role-based access system** that consists of:

• Login/logout **auditing** System
• **Cross-platform** user interface
• Secure, **distributed database**
• **Inter-organizational** messaging system
• Mapping interface for **client contact**
• **Service matching** page

Technologies