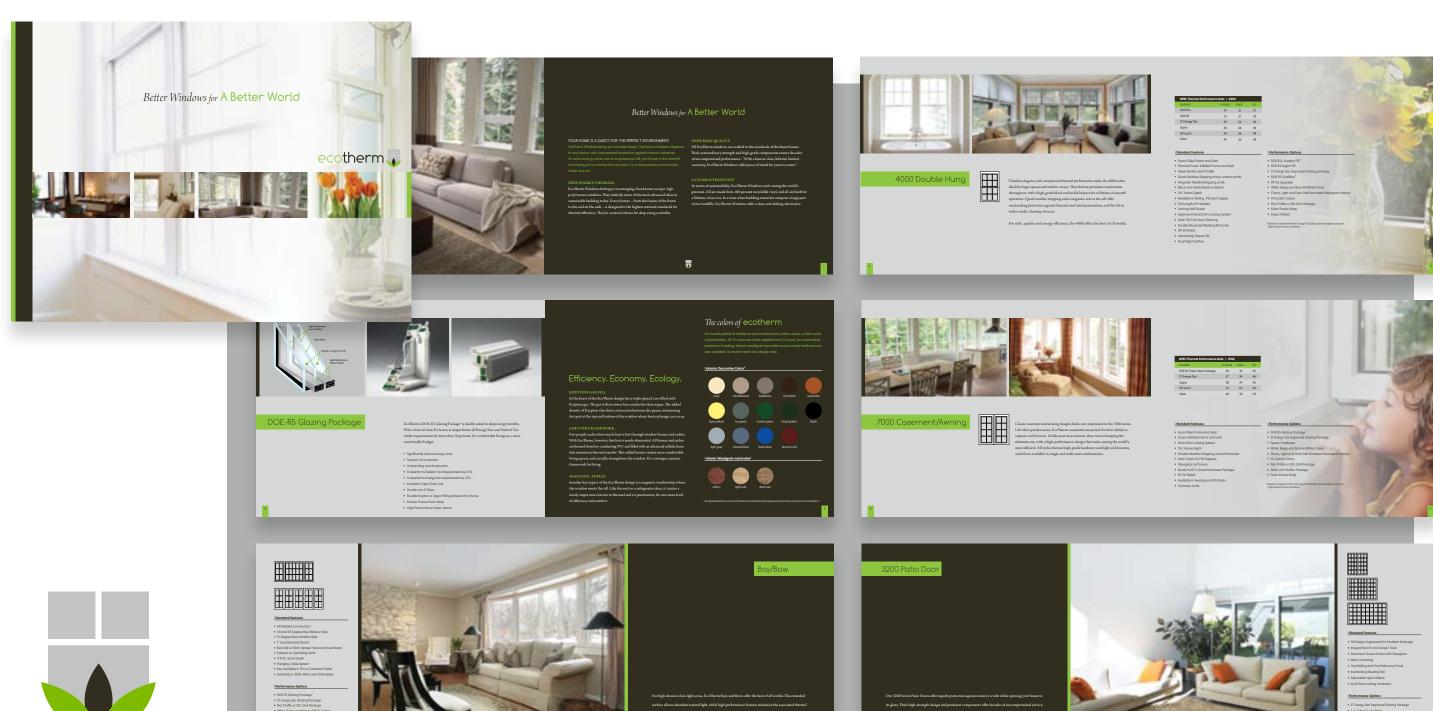
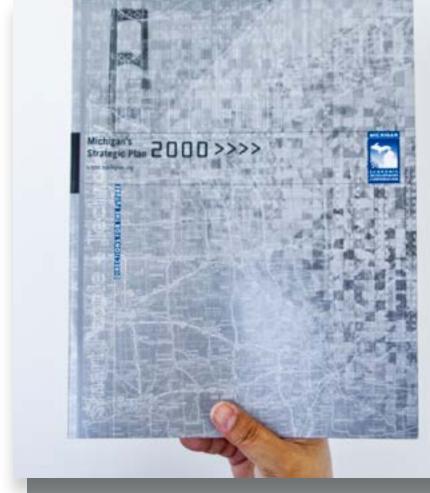


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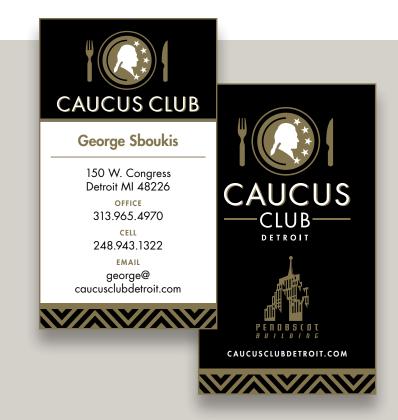






















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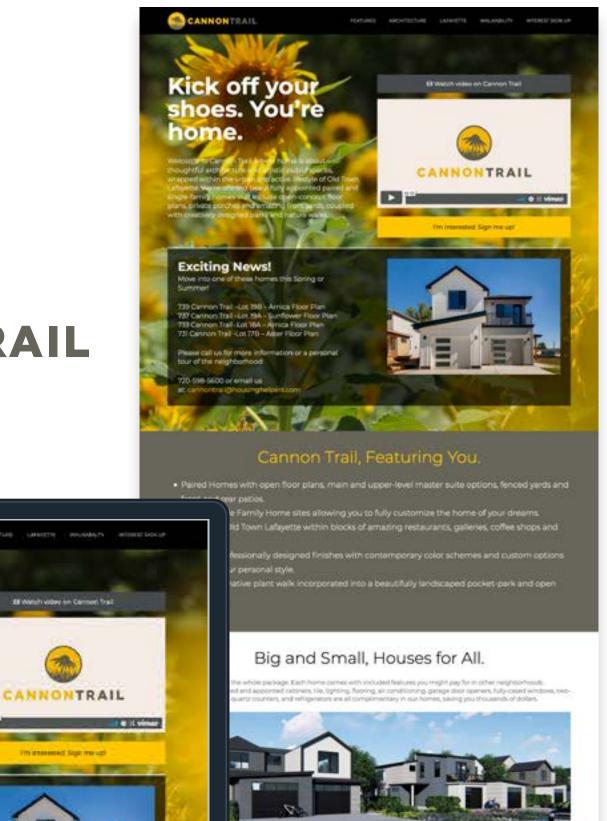
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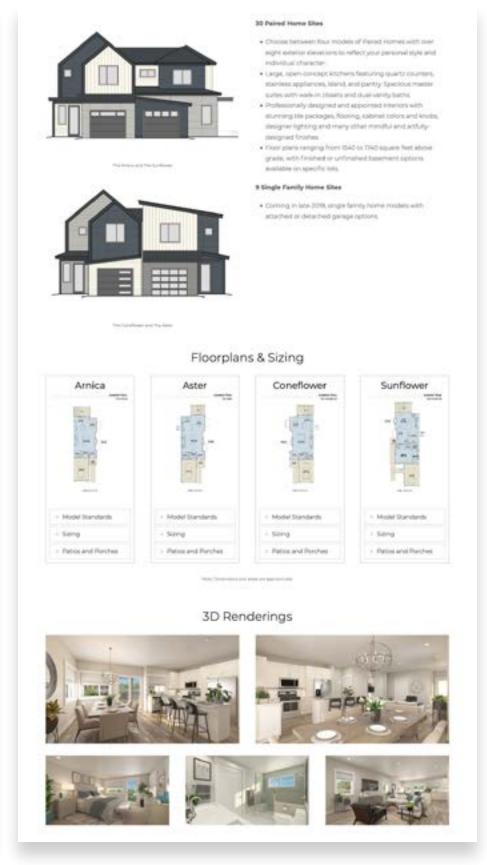
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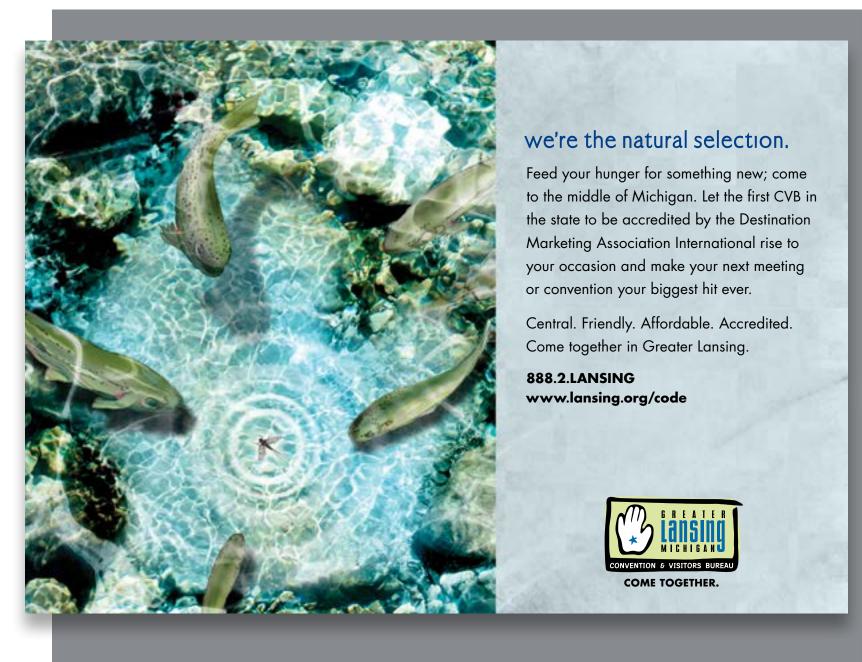


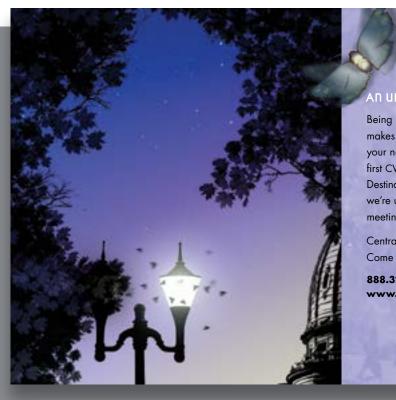












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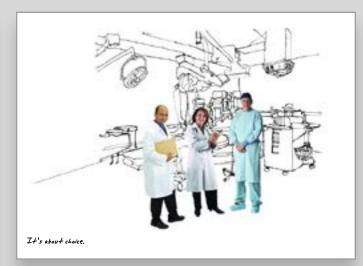
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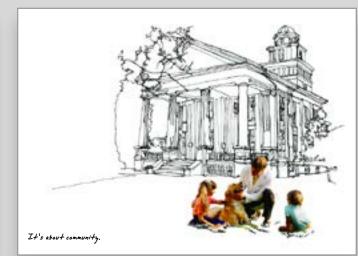
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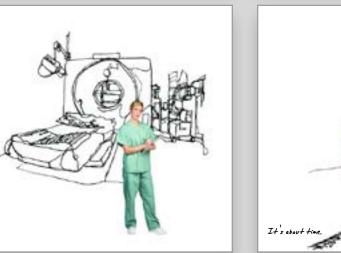


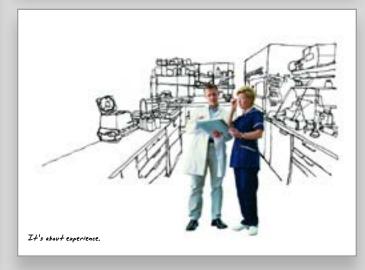


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Case Studies

THE CLIENT

Livio

THE CHALLENGE WHAT IS AN API?

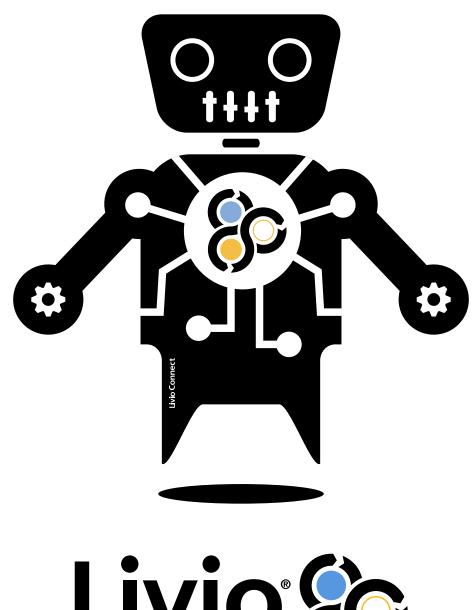
Music may be a universal language, but an acronym like API is not. How does Livio Radio communicate the value of their API (Application Programming Interface) to its customers?

THE ANSWER

Introduce a brand mascot, the Livio Robot, that communicates without the tech jargon and lives Livio's 'More Music, Less Work'.

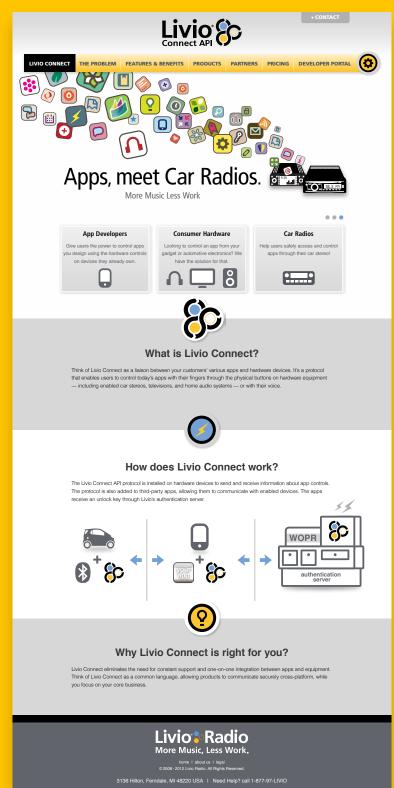
RESULT

Livio started with radio, but its future was in its Livio Connect API software as the digital bridge between apps and devices. It was important to differentiate the product as an industry leader. Through illustration and the creation of the Livio Robot as the brand ambassador, Livio Connect separated itself from its competition attracting the attention of Ford. In 2013, to help accelerate their smart mobility initiatives, Ford made its first technology acquisition in 13 years with the purchase of Livio.





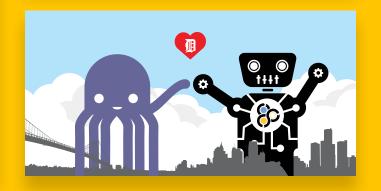






















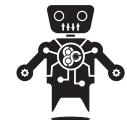


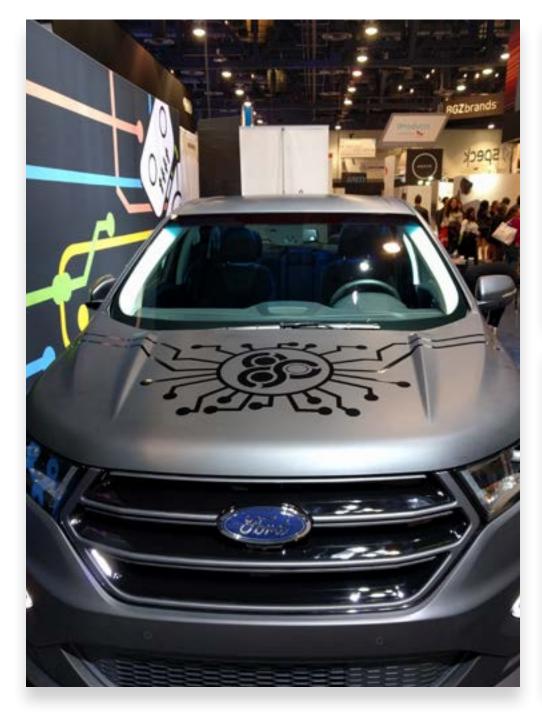




















Tome Software ▶ Brand Development

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THE CHALLENGE A CROWDED IOT SPACE

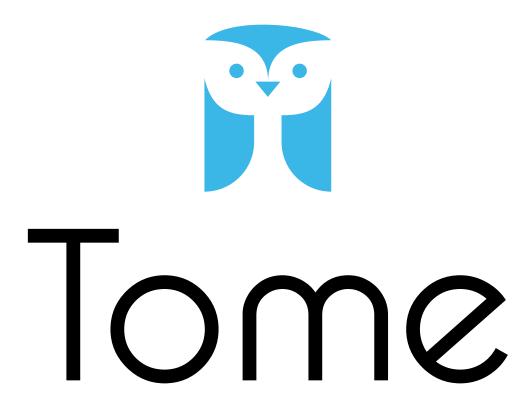
How do we brand a software startup in a crowded Internet of Things (IOT) space?

THE ANSWER

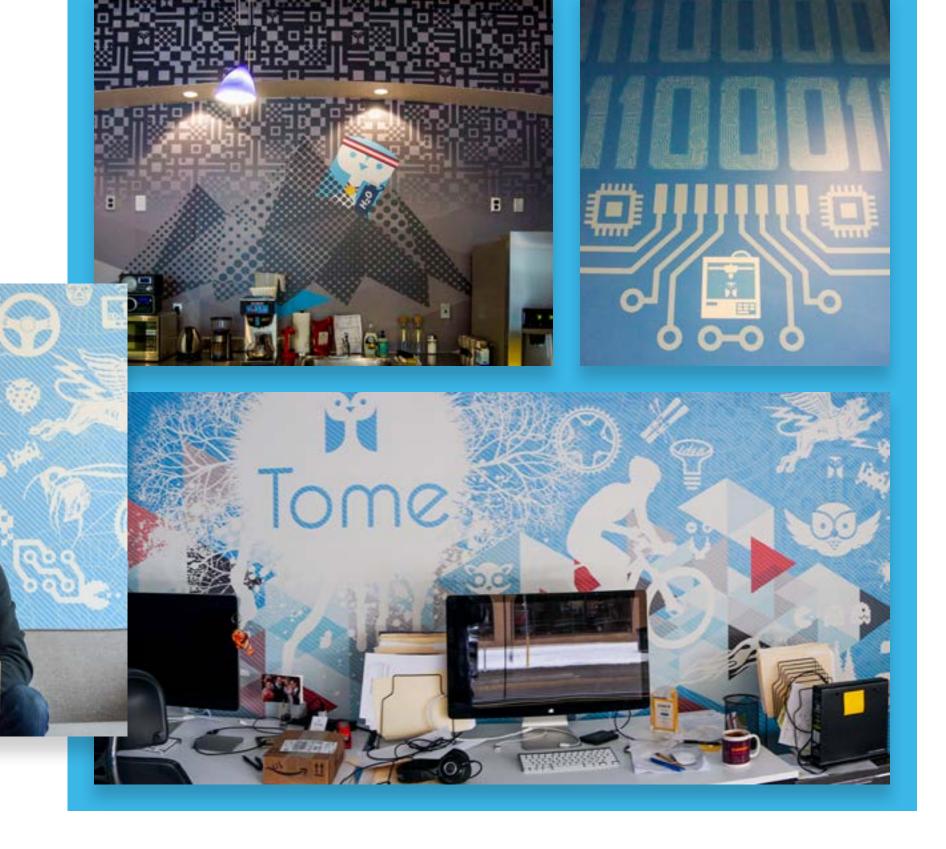
Build on the success established by Livio. After Ford's acquisition, Livio's founder asked that I develop a brand for his new venture — Tome Software. Following the proven success of the Livio Robot, I designed the Tome Owl identity to distinguish the company and attract top talent in software engineering.

RESULT

Tome Software distinguished itself in the IOT space by specializing in smart mobility solutions. In 2016, Tome outgrew its nest and moved their growing family to a new office in Royal Oak, Michigan. We created the interior graphics reflecting the staff's passions in cycling, music, tech, and video games. The Tome brand set itself apart, attracting top talent and winning work from Cannondale and Ford. In 2023, Tome drew the attention of a global experience innovation company and was purchased by Valtech. Even though Tome joined Valtech, the iconic brand continues to spread its own wings, maintaining the visionary values represented by its logo.











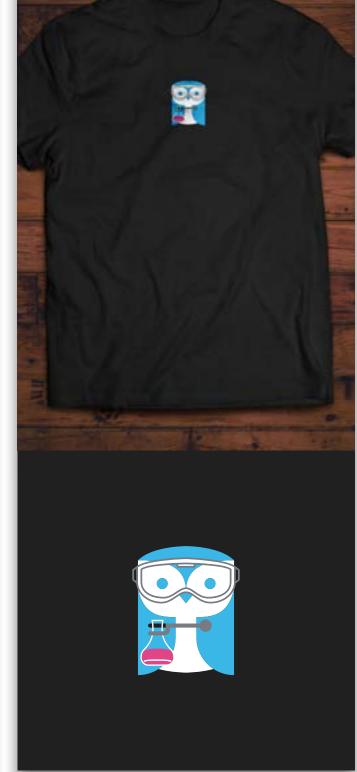












THE CLIENT

Tome Software + Ford Motor Company

THE CHALLENGE A CAR COMPANY DOING RESCUE

How to get buy-in from Ford's stakeholders for a search and rescue app?

THE ANSWER

Tome Software wanted to develop a search and rescue app that could track drones and coordinate efforts with professionals and volunteers. To get buy-in from potential customers and stakeholders, branding was a key part to the development. Since the project was a Tome initiative to Ford, the owl was a natural product mascot that symbolically fit the search and rescue mission. A mood board was developed and then translated across all products from a fat-tire Mukluk e-bike to the Bell riding gear and DJI drones. The app was designed to provide in-field communication through chat, GPS location data, point-of-interest pinning, and the ability to clear search areas.

RESULT

The search and rescue project was well-received by stakeholders and resulted in further funding for research and development.











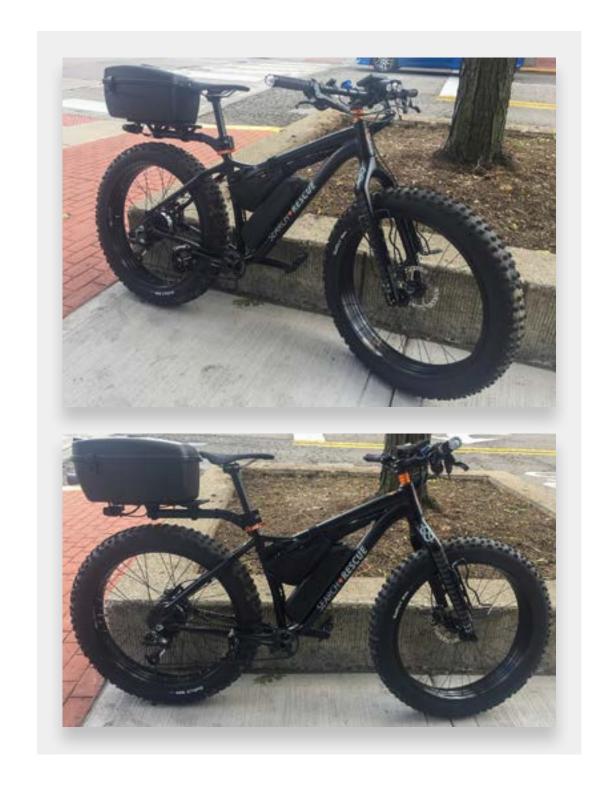


















Crescentia Coaching ▶ Brand Development

THE CLIENT

Crescentia Coaching

THE CHALLENGE

Entering an established and crowded coaching space, Crescentia needed a brand identity that would build immediate trust while standing out with warmth, professionalism, and clarity.

THE ANSWER

We developed a brand for Crescentia Coaching that reflects its mission of growth, clarity, and empowerment. From day one, the identity needed to convey compassion, credibility, and trust—so we crafted a system that's human, confident, and quietly powerful. From mood boards to final design and development, we collaborated closely with the client to shape every detail of a brand built on connection and authenticity.

RESULT

Crescentia Coaching launched with a cohesive, purpose-driven brand that clearly communicates its values and stands out in a competitive space—positioning the founder for long-term success and growth.



Crescentia Coaching ► Moodboard Brand Exploration

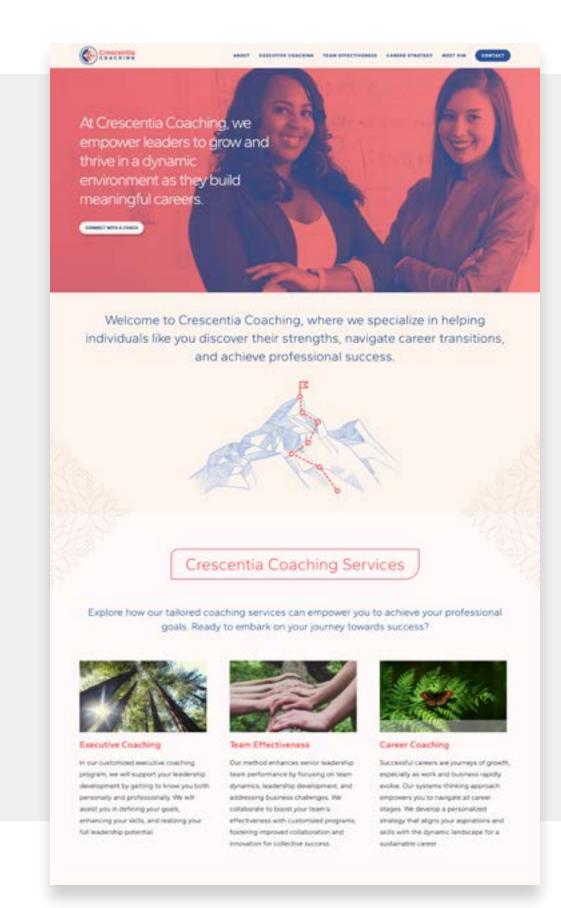


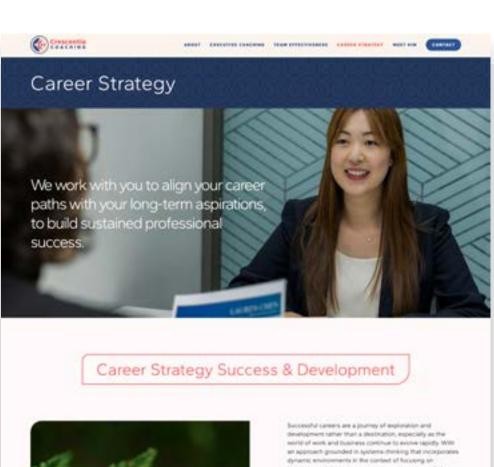














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Ford Motor Company + Tome Software

THE CHALLENGE AN EBIKE APP FOR COMMUTERS AND COMPANIES

How do we ease traffic congestion for commuters and commercial drivers in large cities?

THE ANSWER

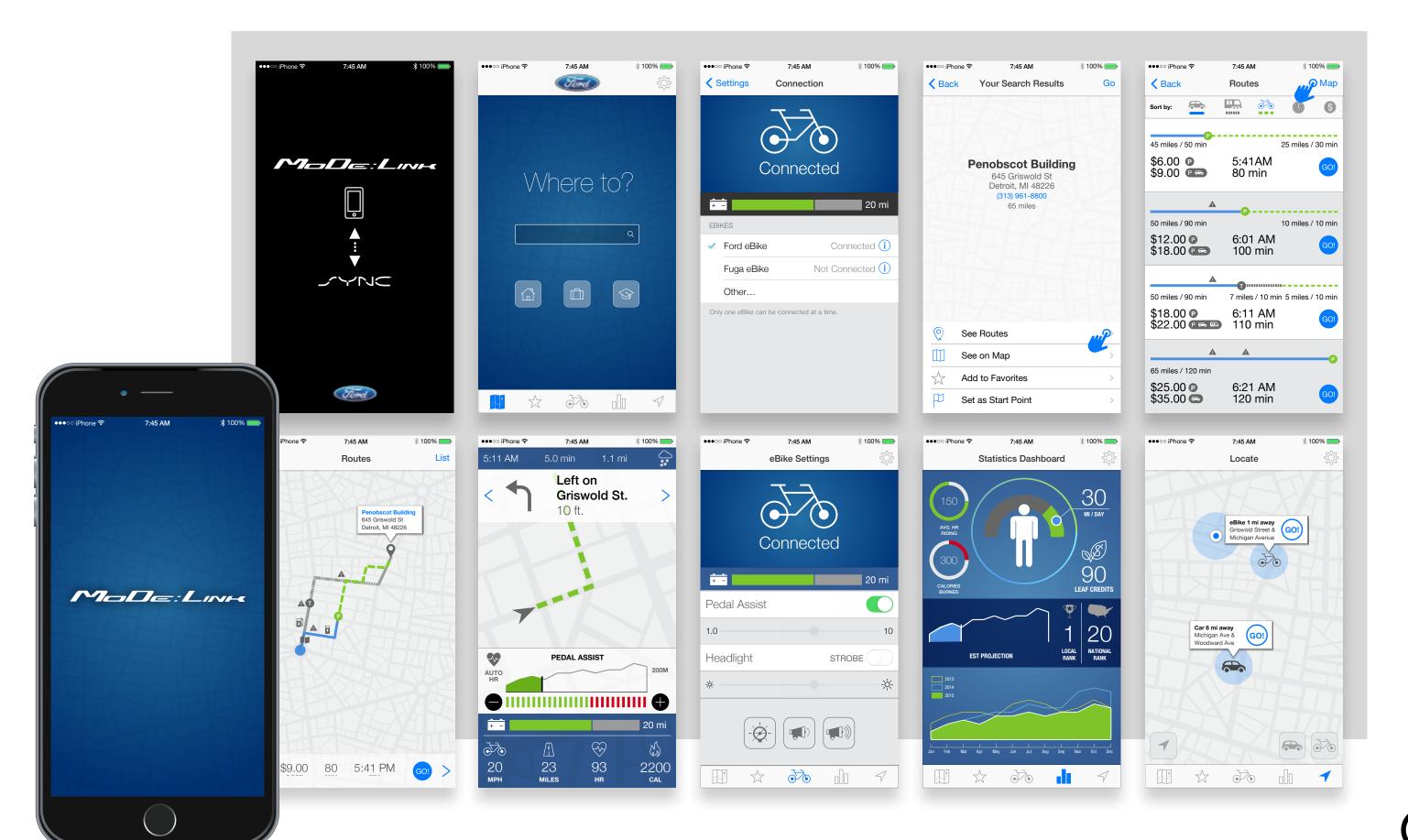
At Mobile World Congress in Barcelona (Spain), Ford introduced the MoDe:Me and the MoDe:Pro e-bikes to provide a smart mobility solution. The MoDe:Me ebike is for the commuter using multiple modes of transportation (car, bus, train, and e-bike). The MoDe:Pro e-bike is stowed on a Ford Transit Connect and deployed in high-traffic areas for commercial deliveries and services. At the heart of the solution: the MoDe:Link app. I designed an intuitive interface that displayed real-time information between the app and the e-bike. Features included: multi-modal navigation, smart route planning, haptic signaling, road hazard warnings, weather alerts, e-bike performance, and rider health activity.



The app was a success and received positive press for Ford's smart mobility initiatives.













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Cannondale + Tome Software

THE CHALLENGE ONBOARDING BEGINNERS AND PROS

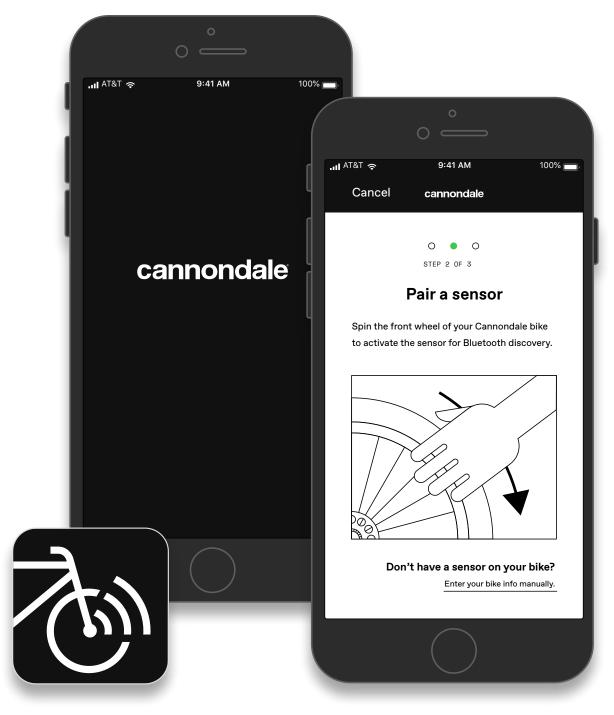
How do we design an app that easily pairs with Cannondale's first bicycle sensor and is accessible to beginners and pros alike?

THE ANSWER

Since this was Cannondale's first ever bicycle sensor it was important for pairing to be easy. Using step-by-step onboarding and clear illustration style, a simple spin of the wheel allowed the sensor to be discoverable and register with the app. Once paired, the app tracked rider activity and included reward badges for achievements. The app offered resources including manuals, videos, parts, and bike maintenance with an approved Cannondale service provider locator. A garage feature allowed riders to save multiple bicycles. I designed the screens to adhere to the minimal brand style of Cannondale and created illustrations, icons, and badges in their signature black and white line style.

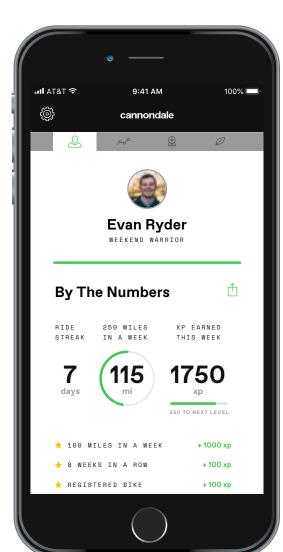
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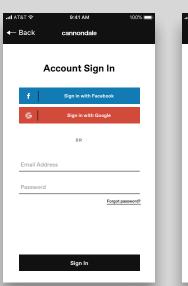
Cannondale launched the app successfully and continues its development to this day.



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CANNONDALE APP

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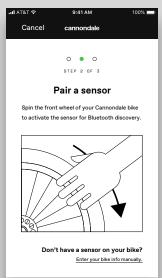
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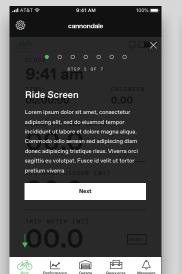
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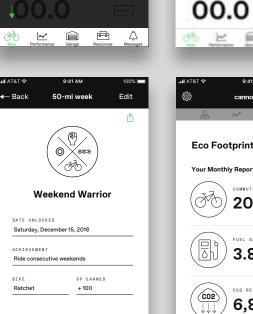


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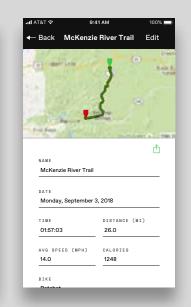


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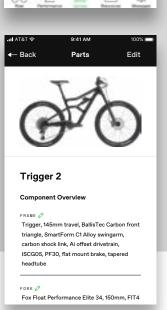
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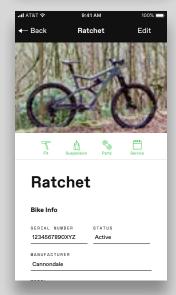
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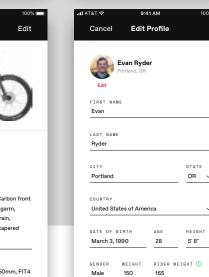
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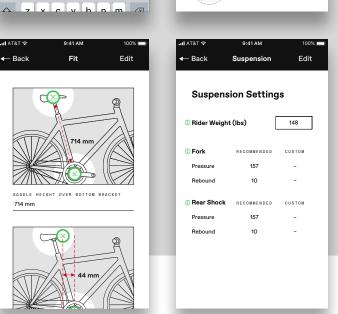
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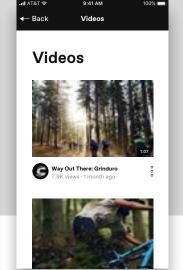
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THE CLIENT

Tempur Pedic + Nerdy Bunny

THE CHALLENGE

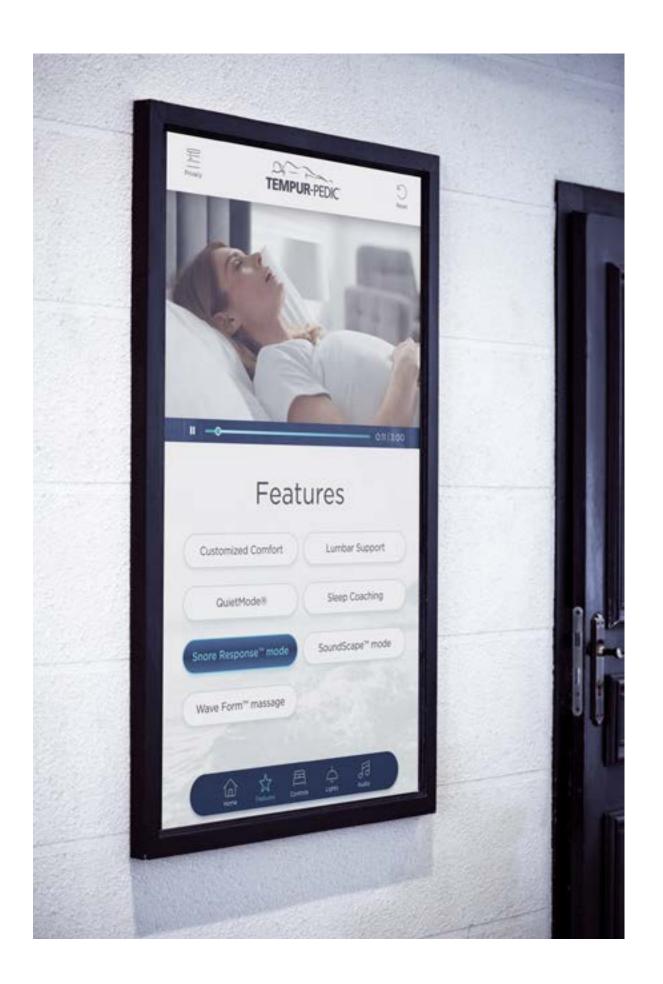
Nerdy Bunny was tasked with creating a digital experience for Tempur Pedic's Manhattan showroom. The experience would highlight the features of their premium sleep offerings and needed to meet the expectations of their upper Manhattan clientele. The kiosk needed to be easy to use for staff from the most experienced to the inexperienced, newly-hired sales person.

THE ANSWER

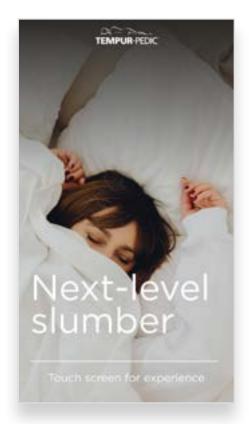
The digital experience revolved around themes (e.g., Beach Paradise, Rainforest Canopy, and Northern Lights) that would change room ambiance, bed position, lighting, and music. Forward Slash created a beautiful design that captured perfectly the brand while providing experience controls for the showroom and bed features in an intuitive layout.

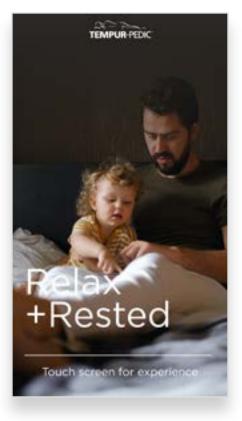
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Nerdy Bunny loved the design and is in the process of creating the showroom experience for Tempur Pedic with the likelihood of additional installations in other cities.

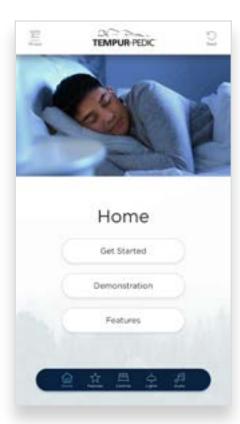


Tempur Pedic ►Interactive Kiosk

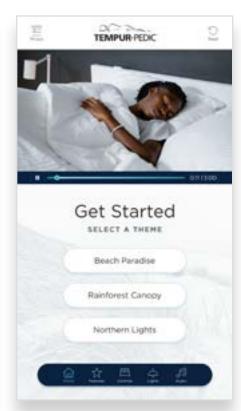


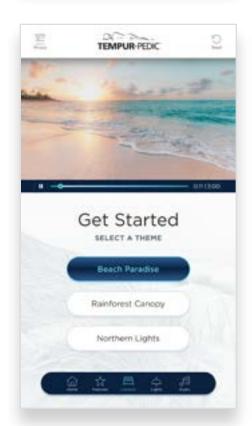




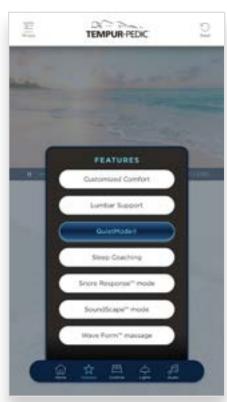


















THE CLIENT

Fresenius Kabi

THE CHALLENGE

Fresenius Kabi, an \$8.4 billion global healthcare company, produces advanced medical equipment that can be technicall complex for new users. As competitors launched their own portals to gain a digital edge, Fresenius needed a redesign tha improved usability, made content easier to find, and ensured A compliance—all while aligning with their global reputation for quality and care.

THE ANSWER

Forward Slash redesigned the Amicus and Blood Center porta creating secure, user-friendly platforms with accessibility at the core. We implemented robust search, favoriting, and multiple navigation paths to support diverse user needs. The new desig features a prominent video area, cross-product promotion, and refreshed interface built to meet modern accessibility standard

RESULT

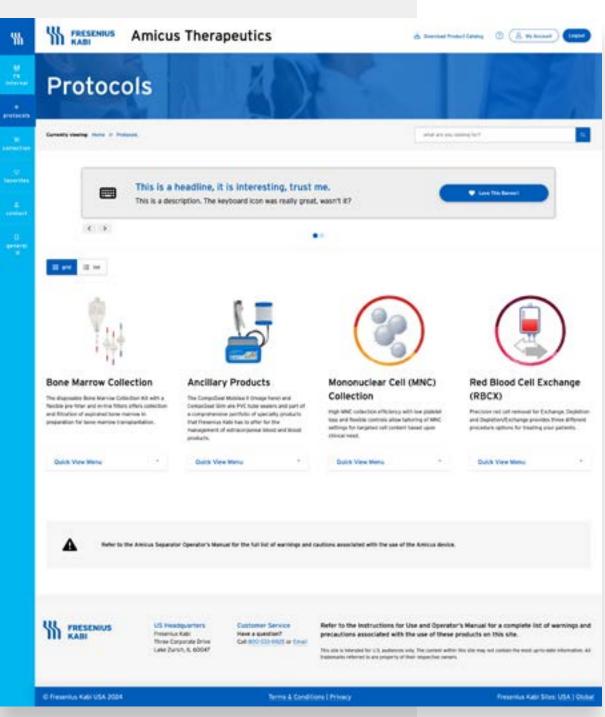
Both redesigned portals are entering final testing, with launch planned for mid-2025. In parallel, Forward Slash continues to build on the momentum with ongoing enhancements to the Cell Therapy portal, launched in 2024, as Fresenius Kabi scales digital product ecosystem.

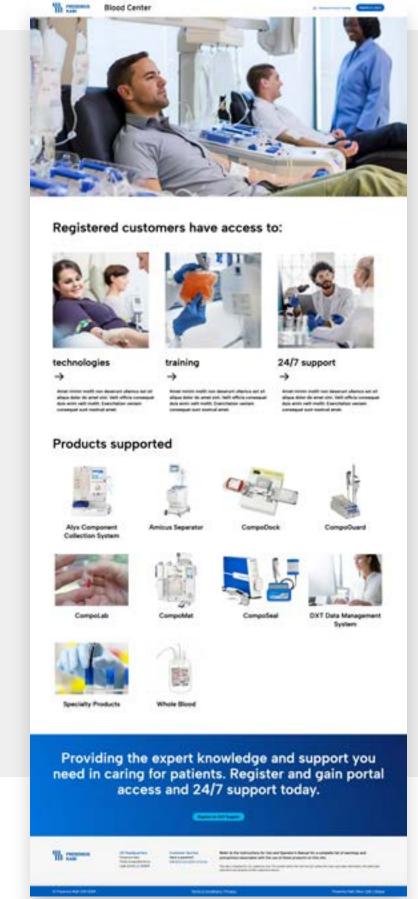


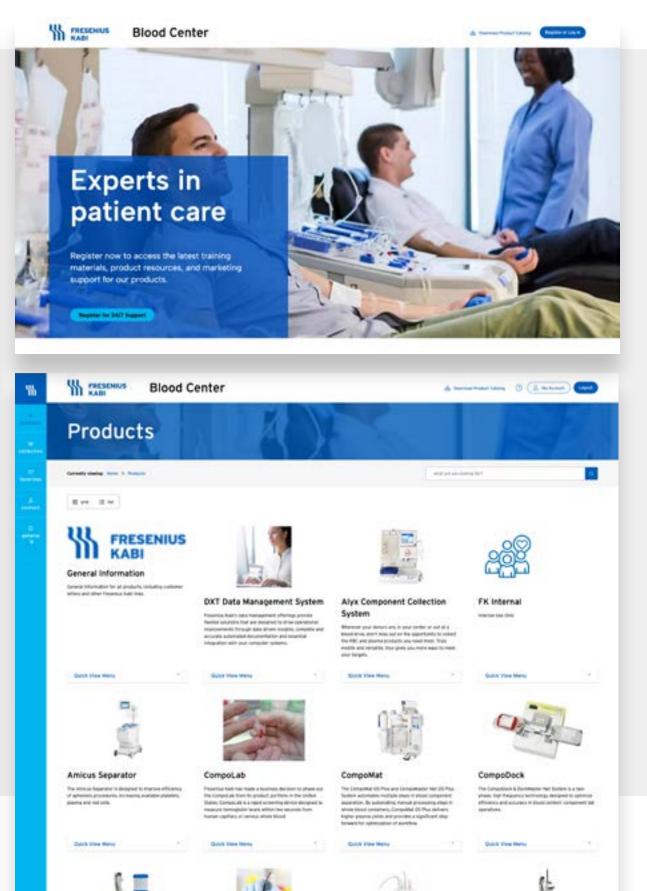
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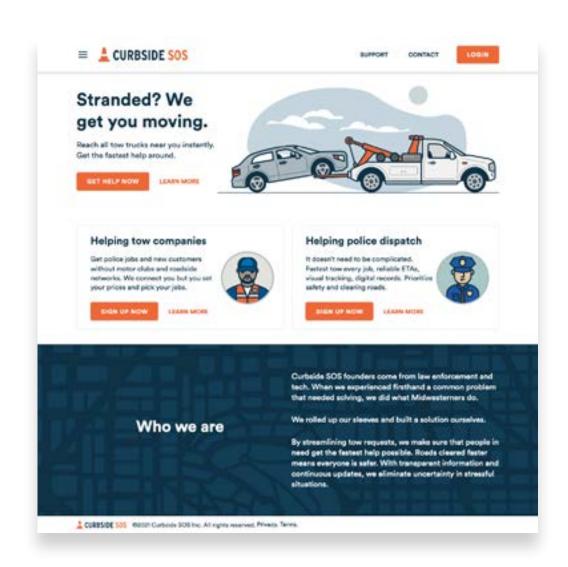






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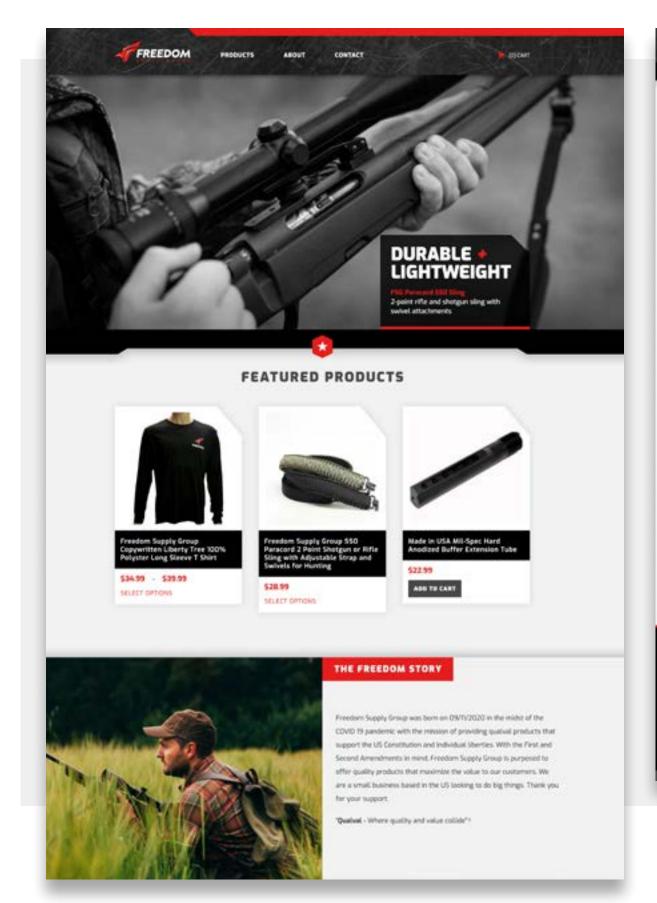


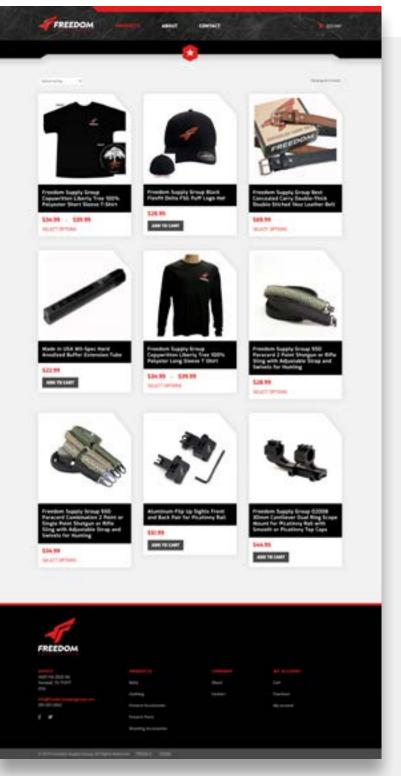




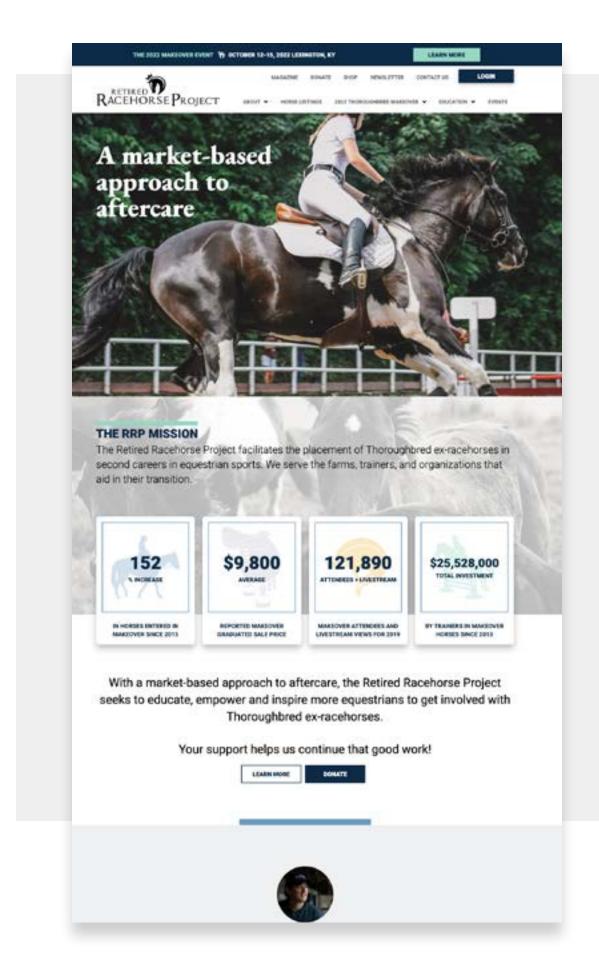


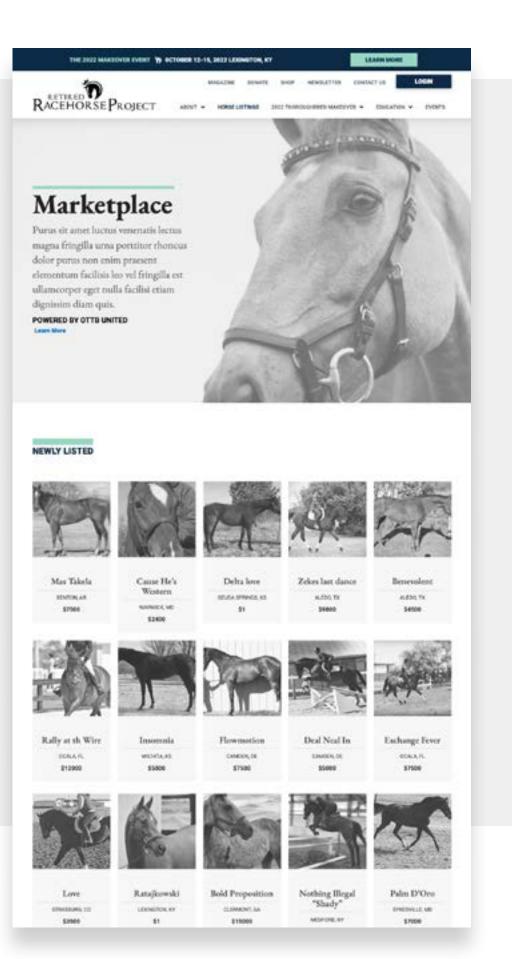
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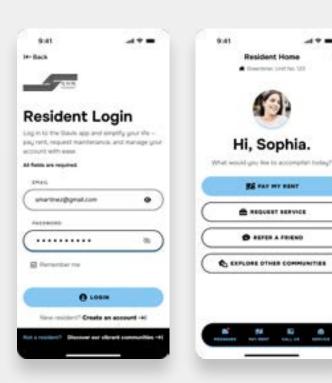


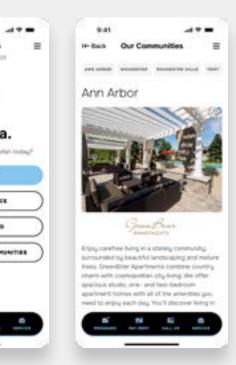
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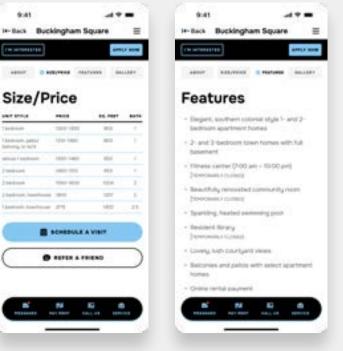


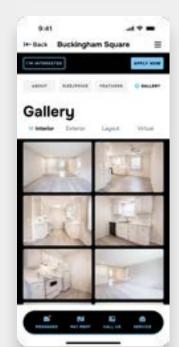










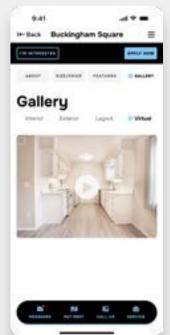


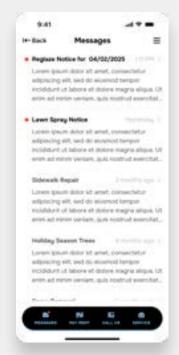


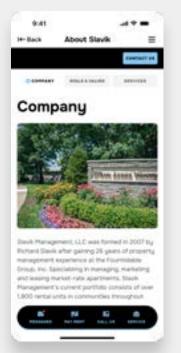
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Thank you for taking the time to explore my work. I'm passionate about delivering creative solutions that drive real results, and I'd love the opportunity to do the same for your project. If you'd like to see more examples or discuss how we can create something impactful together, I'm available to talk through next steps whenever you're ready.

Kind regards,



