#### Ubiquitous and Mobile Computing CS 528: Food Savers

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#### Introduction



- An excessive amount of food is wasted and yet hunger still persists. There exists minimal or no solution to connect excess food and the hunger.
- In the United States 40% of food is wasted every year
- That is \$2,200 worth of food per household annually
- Translates to one in eight Americans remaining food insecure
- What can be done?



## Background



# Too Good To Go - fight food waste, save great food

Too Good To Go Food & Drink

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# MintScraps

#### **MintScraps - USA**

- Measure Food Waste
- Donate it to non profit organization

#### **Too Good To Go - UK**

• Discount



# Background



No Food Waste Boomit Solutions Social

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#### Food for all - Boston

- Discount
- Restaurants only

#### No Food Waste - India

 Surplus food - hunger points



#### **Our Competitive Advantage**

#### • Role Flexibility

- Mixture of business and service aspects
- Connects to all





#### Methodology

- Our Android application will support Producer as well as Consumer use cases
- Producer uses cases will include features as sharing, tagging, and adding information about food that would be available for the consumers
- Consumer use cases will cover the features such as subscribing to newly available food posts, claiming food when it gets posted and viewing food that is currently available.



#### Implementation

- Firebase backend for storing information about the food and users
- Firebase Cloud Messaging for push notifications to consumers
- Firebase ML Kit for on device food image classification
- Google Maps for displaying food postings



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#### Timeline

- November 5th
  - Provision Firebase project with final schema
  - Build simple producer UI
- November 10th
  - Build Consumer UI
- November 20th
  - Implement user authentication
  - Implement push notifications
- December 2th
  - Finish Implementation
  - Begin Usability Study
- December 8th
  - Conclude usability study
- December 12th
  - Finish incorporating user feedback into application





#### **System Architecture**



#### **Evaluation**

We propose a Usability Study that will evaluate our application based on the following criterias

- Successful Task Completion
- No Critical Errors
- Error-Free Rate
- Subjective Measures
- Likes, Dislikes and Recommendations:





#### Difficulty



We propose a Usability Study that will evaluate our application based on the following criterias

- Maps on two seperate screens (4 points)
- Camera taking a picture (4 points)
- Location sensing (4 points)
- Firebase Firestore API (4 points)
- Mobile vision API for detecting what food is being photographed (6 points)

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