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# BOOT CAMPS



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### **Developer's Help Desk** Executive Boot Camp

The Developer's Help Desk Boot Camp is a handson Do It Yourself experience. Unique when compared to other executive boot camps, the DHD boot camp is an experiment in a new style of collaboration between developers at credit unions and developers at our CUSO. It's an experiment in

how solution designers and architects from credit unions can



take advantage of the expertise of the designers, developers, testers, and documenters at the CUSO to produce a finished product. It's an experiment in proving out the point of the DHD online store – can credit unions use DHD resources to help them build something new?

### What Is the DHD Project Boot Camp?

To apply for this boot camp you must have a project in mind, you must be able to explain your idea, what components your team will work on and what components CU\*Answers' teams will work on.

A builder's soul is the difference in making a bright future. Join the DHD Boot Camp and combine our passion for building things together with your passion for building it yourself!

- Randy Karnes, CEO

### **Boot Camp Particulars**

- 6 credit union developers selected
- Up to two multi-day laboratory sessions
- 20-40 hrs of development time for your project or app
- Work hands-on with CU\*Answers developers to design, construct, and launch your product
- CU\*Answers will pay overnight lodging and food. Travel is at your expense
- Must have a financial and resource budget for your credit union to complete your project (we're in this together)
- For true pioneers only help us figure out how this experiment should work and where it will go

Examples of project types that might work with the boot camp format:

- Integrating with our APIs to create new mobile apps or new features for your existing mobile app
- Integrating with our APIs to create new features for your websites
- Setting up integrations with 3rd party vendors, perhaps a CRM service
- Other DIY projects such as data warehouse connectivity

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### Be Prepared with a Budget

You must have a budget at your credit union to complete this project. This budget should include a financial investment, but it will also include a personnel investment and depending on your project may include other tangible hardware.

### Who Should Apply?

You are the general contractor. You will be coordinating the project from start to finish. CU\*Answers will work with you to arrange the appropriate resources to help complete your project.

### Planning for your Success

Your project should include a plan that addresses the following phases of development. It is your responsibility as the general contractor to have a development plan and timeline to make sure your project progresses appropriately.

- 1. Idea
- 2. Specification
- 3. Develop and Code
- 4. Quality Check
- 5. Documentation
- 6. Release (including technical implementation as well as rollout marketing)

### What about Classroom Sessions?

Unlike our other boot camps, the DHD boot camp features just two in-office sessions. CU\*Answers will pay for overnight lodging and food for up to three members of your staff to travel to Grand Rapids for 2-3 days and meet face to face with design and development teams. Travel costs are at your expense. These sessions will be scheduled with each general contractor depending on your project's timelines and needs.

### Be a Pioneer!

As the general contractor you will schedule regular meetings and milestones to ensure your project's timeline and success. Keep in mind that while the end goal is to complete your project, the boot camp is about more than just the finish line. In fact, some projects might simply be too indepth for a

single boot camp year to complete. The exercise is more about how the work happens in this new kind of collaborative DIY environment. Be a pioneer and help us figure it out.



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