**PROJECT SUMMARY**

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| **ABSTRACT**With the recent outbreak of the pandemic COVID-19; a disruption has been seen in everyone's everyday life -- and in some more than others. This pandemic is a human tragedy that has a growing impact on the global economy-- with firms in some industries laying off workers, and the rate of technical unemployment rising. Non-governmental organisations are stepping up to provide assistance; but there is often complaint of the lack of good souls to do volunteering. Some services are running at full capacity. For example, supermarkets cannot do deliveries because they lack human resources. Some individuals who want to help, often do not know where to go. Information is dissipated and not readily available. Some individuals or organisations cannot give money but are happy to donate products and services. Many gaps in our society have become visible. Responding to these challenges, a socially innovative digital platform has been designed to allow people to fight COVID-19 together by doing one good deed at a time: anAngel. anAngel will be an interactive web application that uses the foundations of nudge theory to encourage users to perform tasks in return for rewards or points which can be shared, or exchanged for goods and services from anAngel partners or donors. The main aim is also to build an organised efficient community based on solidarity, empowered with real time information on what is needed and happening out there in the real world. In addition, this community will be collaborating to protect and improve public health and support efforts to help make lives better during COVID-19.  |