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**Webform 8.x-5.x**

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***WEBFORM***

***8.X-5.X***

# HELLO!



Hi, my name is Jacob Rockowitz.

- × I am known as jrockowitz on the web.
- × I am a Drupal developer/software architect.
- × I built and maintain the Webform module for Drupal 8.

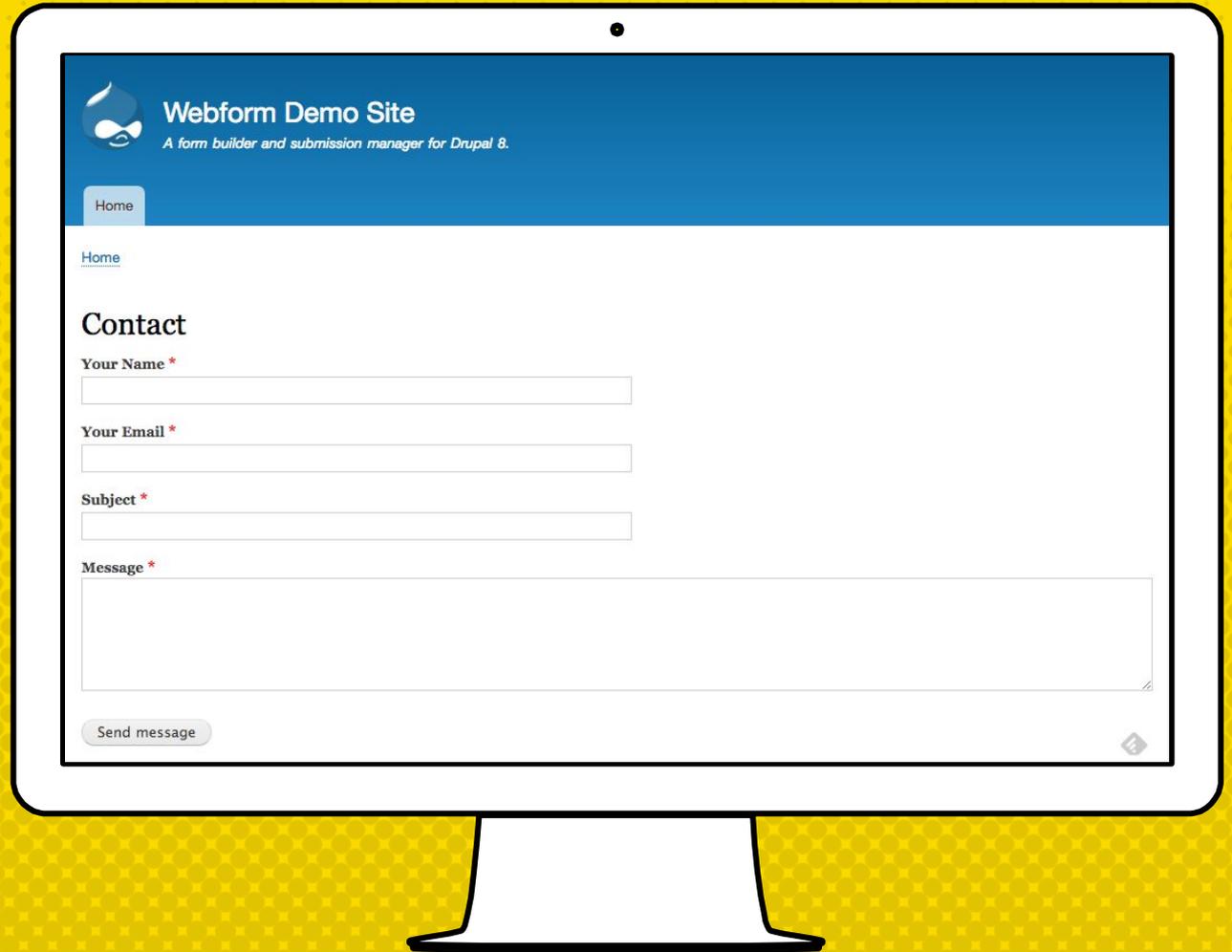
**1.**

***WHAT IS THE  
WEBFORM MODULE?***



***A FORM BUILDER  
AND  
SUBMISSION MANAGER***

**THIS  
IS A  
FORM**



The image shows a computer monitor displaying a web form. The form is titled "Webform Demo Site" and is described as "A form builder and submission manager for Drupal 8." The form includes a "Home" link, a "Contact" section, and four input fields: "Your Name \*", "Your Email \*", "Subject \*", and "Message \*". A "Send message" button is located at the bottom left of the form. A small icon is visible in the bottom right corner of the form area.

**Webform Demo Site**  
*A form builder and submission manager for Drupal 8.*

[Home](#)

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## Contact

Your Name \*

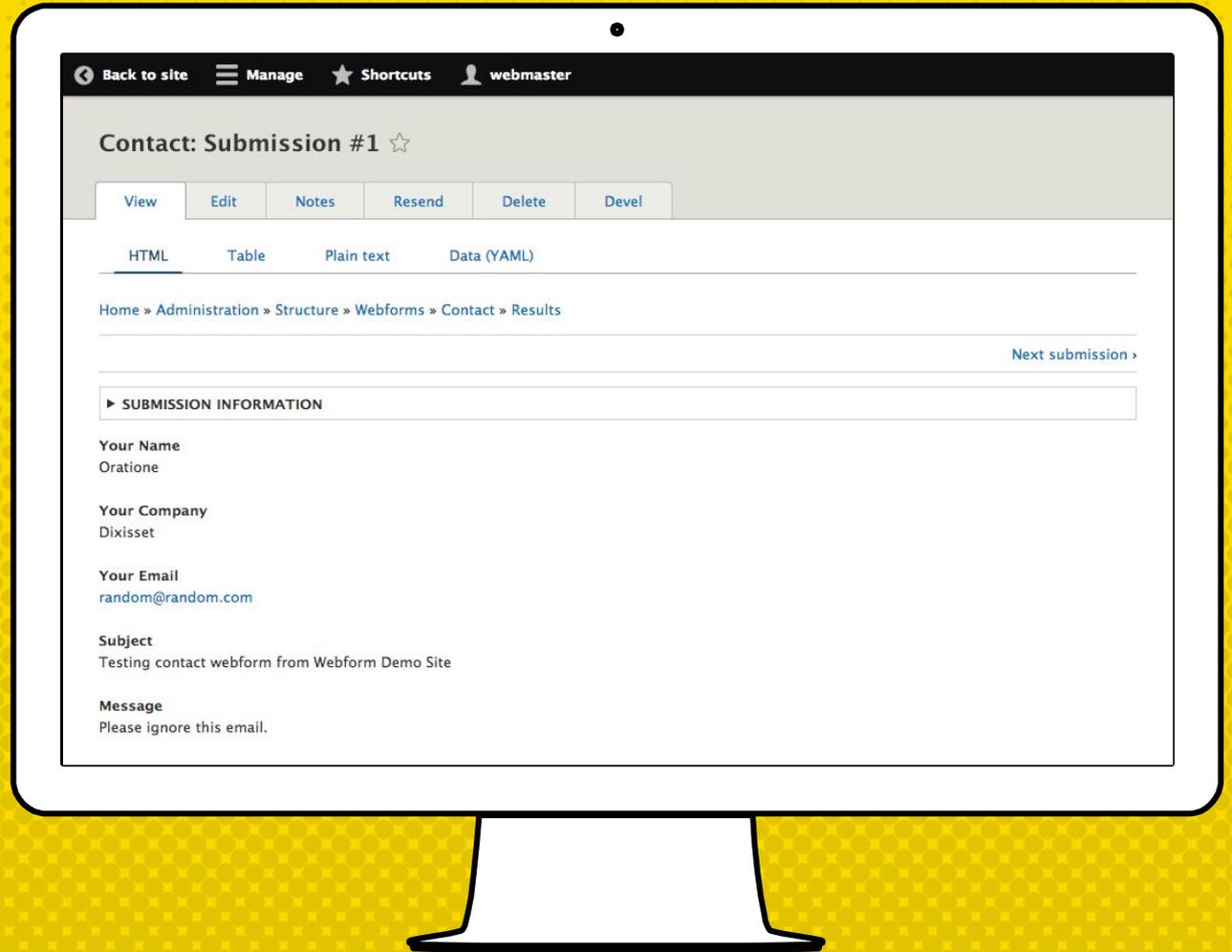
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Subject \*

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**THIS  
IS A  
FORM  
SUBMISSION**



## ***YAMLFORM 8.X-1.X TO WEBFORM 8.X-5.X***

- × 2015 – Webform was not ported to Drupal 8.
  - × 2015 – YAML Form began with MSKCC's early adoption of Drupal 8.
  - × 2016 – YAML Form module created
  - × 2017 – YAML Form moved to Webform.
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- × YAML Form was a developer centric solution.
  - × Webform is for developers & site builders.

**WHAT IS A**

**YAML FORM**



# ***THIS WAS THE YAML FORM MODULE***

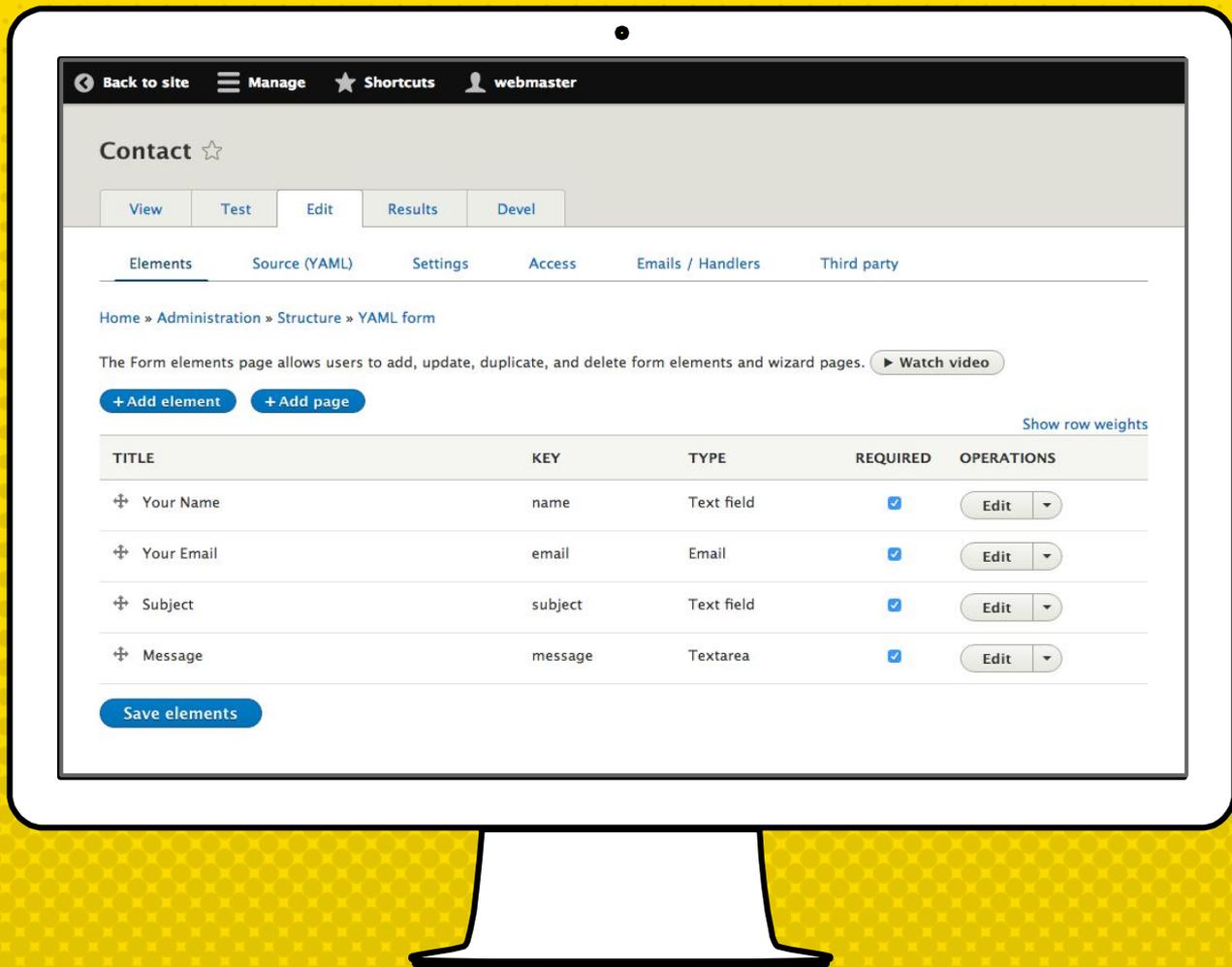
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  '#type': textfield  
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**WHAT IS A**

**WEBFORM**



# THIS IS THE WEBFORM MODULE



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## ***WHAT'S NEW?***

- × Object Oriented API
- × Editing the Source
- × 70+ Webform Elements
- × 100's of Custom Settings
- × Composites & Multi-value
- × Examples & Templates
- × Customizable Results
- × More Documentation

<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-features>

## ***WHAT'S MISSING?***

- × Views Integration
- × Rules Integration
- × Drag-n-Drop WYSIWYG
- × Advanced Conditionals
- × Statistics & Charts
- × Third Party Integrations
- × D6 and D7 Migration
- × Contributors...

<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-roadmap>

## ***MORE COOL STUFF...***

- × Anonymous Drafts with Automated Purging.
- × Anonymous to Authenticated Submission Conversion.
- × Reusable Select, Radios, and Checkbox Options .
- × Custom JavaScript and Stylesheet Injection.
- × Form Opening and Closing Scheduling.
- × Form and Element Access Controls.
- × Send Email to All User Assigned to a Specific Role.
- × Scheduled Email Reminders.
- × Submission and Transaction Log.
- × Third Party Settings including HoneyPot Integration.
- × Dismissable Inline Messages.

**2.**

***WHO BUILT THE  
WEBFORM MODULE?***

# ***THANK QUICKSKETCH AND THE MAINTAINERS***

The Webform module has been maintained  
by Nate Haug (QuickSketch),  
since March 24, 2006.

Webform 7.x-4.x lives on in BackDropCMS.



**509,083 SITES**

currently report using the Webform module

**3,695,777 DOWNLOADS**

since 2004

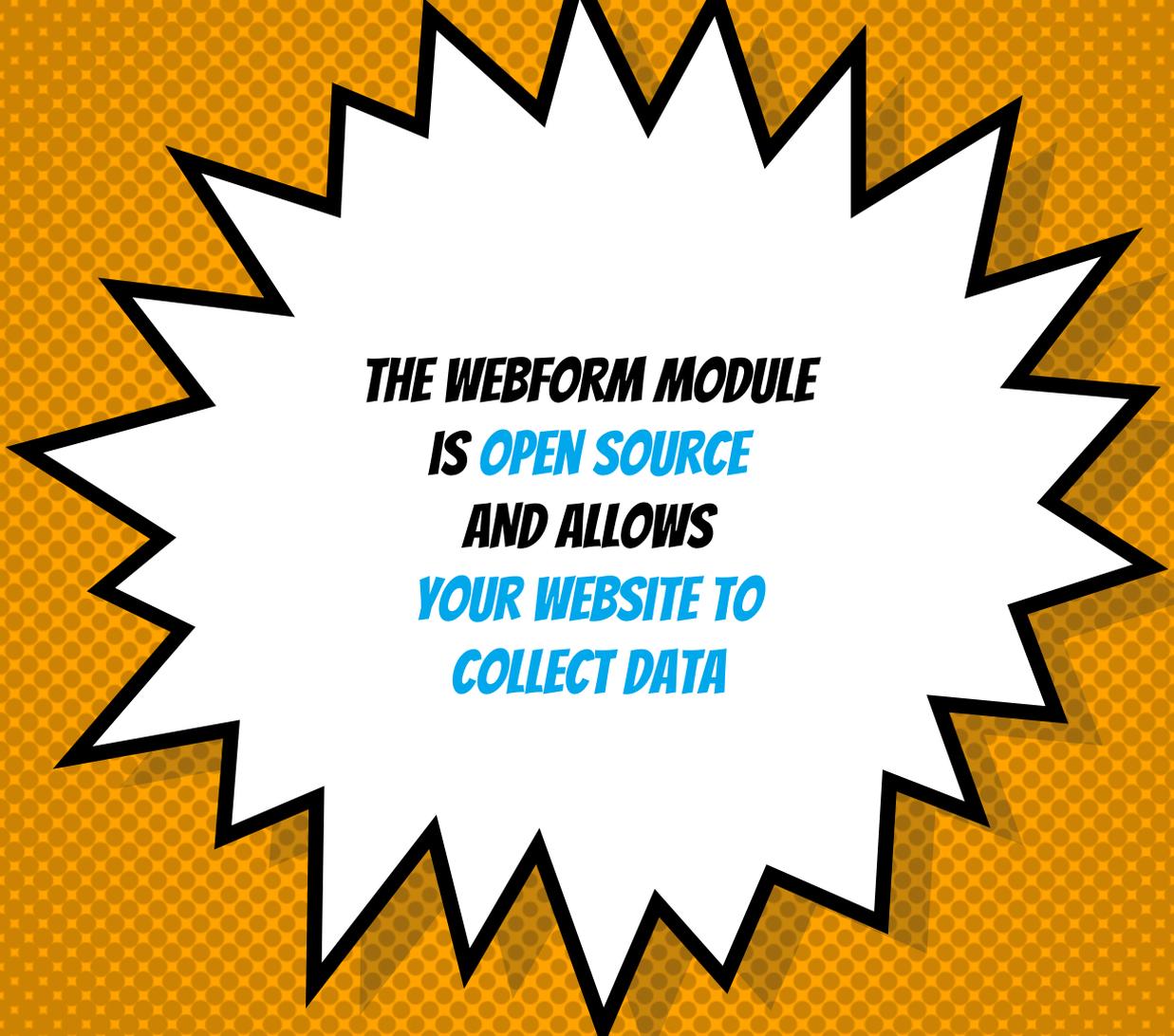
## ***WHY DID I BUILD THE YAML FORM/WEBFORM MODULE***

- × I want to contribute something.
  - × I like to focus my energy on one project.
  - × I enjoy working on long term projects.
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- × Drupal 8 needs a form builder.
- × Open Source needs a form builder.

**3.**

***WHY SHOULD YOU USE  
THE WEBFORM MODULE?***



**THE WEBFORM MODULE  
IS *OPEN SOURCE*  
AND ALLOWS  
YOUR WEBSITE TO  
*COLLECT DATA***

## ***THE USE CASE...***

- × **BUILD** a form or copy a template
- × **PUBLISH** the form as a page, node, or block
- × **COLLECT** form submissions
- × **SEND** confirmations and notifications
- × **REVIEW** results online
- × **DOWNLOAD** results as a CSV

***ONCE AGAIN, THE USE CASE...***



***THE OTHER USE CASE...***



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***WHAT ARE THE  
ALTERNATIVES TO THE  
WEBFORM MODULE?***

## PROPRIETARY



## OPEN SOURCE



## DRUPAL CORE



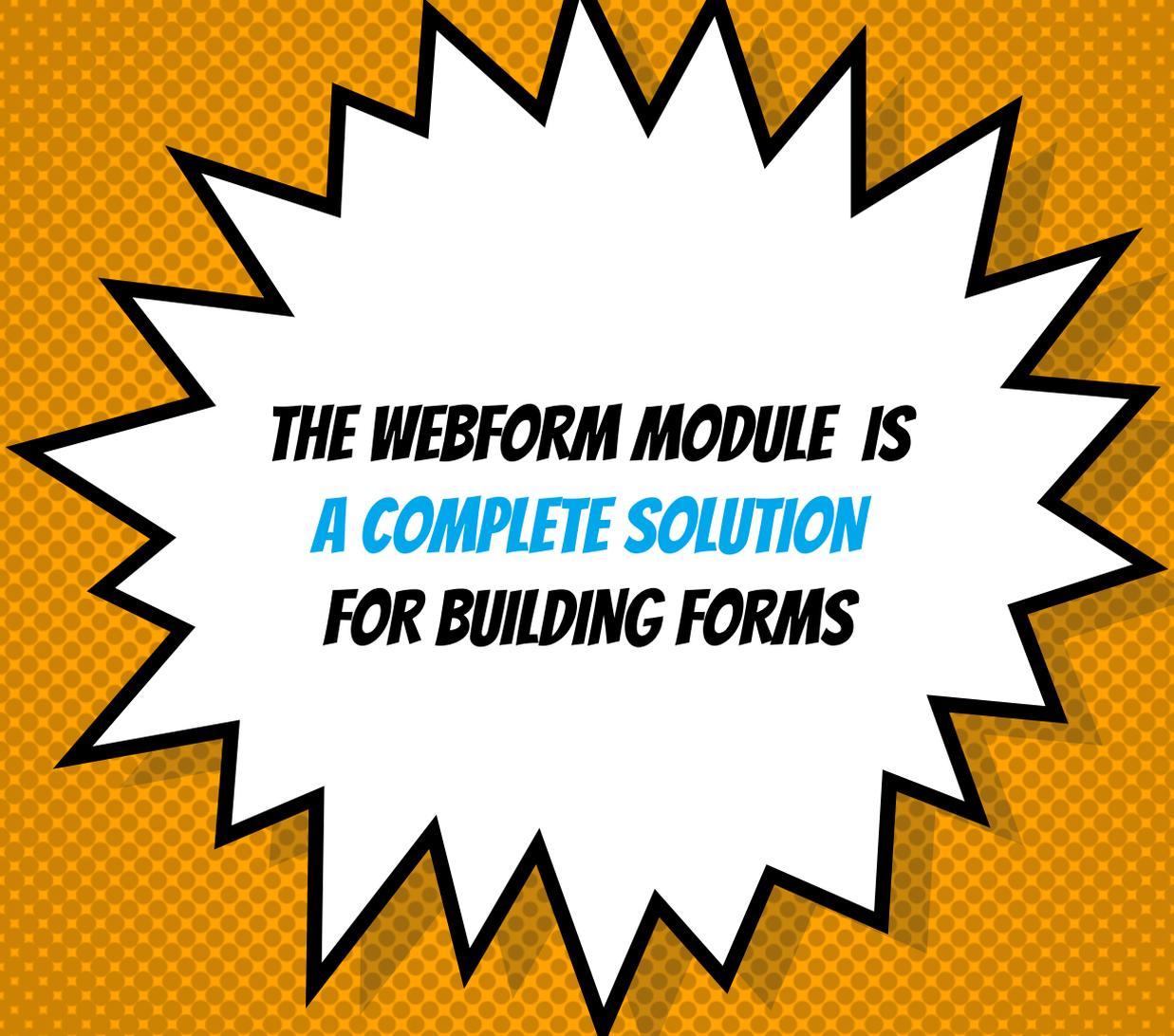
+ Add contact form





**5.**

***WHERE DO YOU START?***



***THE WEBFORM MODULE IS  
A COMPLETE SOLUTION  
FOR BUILDING FORMS***

# ***INSTALLATION***

- × Download the Webform module  
<https://www.drupal.org/project/webform>
- × Enable Webform core and sub modules  
<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-introduction>
- × Install external libraries  
<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-libraries>
- × Add additional functionality using add-ons  
<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-add-ons>

## ***GETTING HELP***

- × Documentation & Cookbook

<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-cookbook>

- × Screencasts

<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-videos>

- × Drupal Answers

<http://drupal.stackexchange.com>

- × Webform Issue Queue

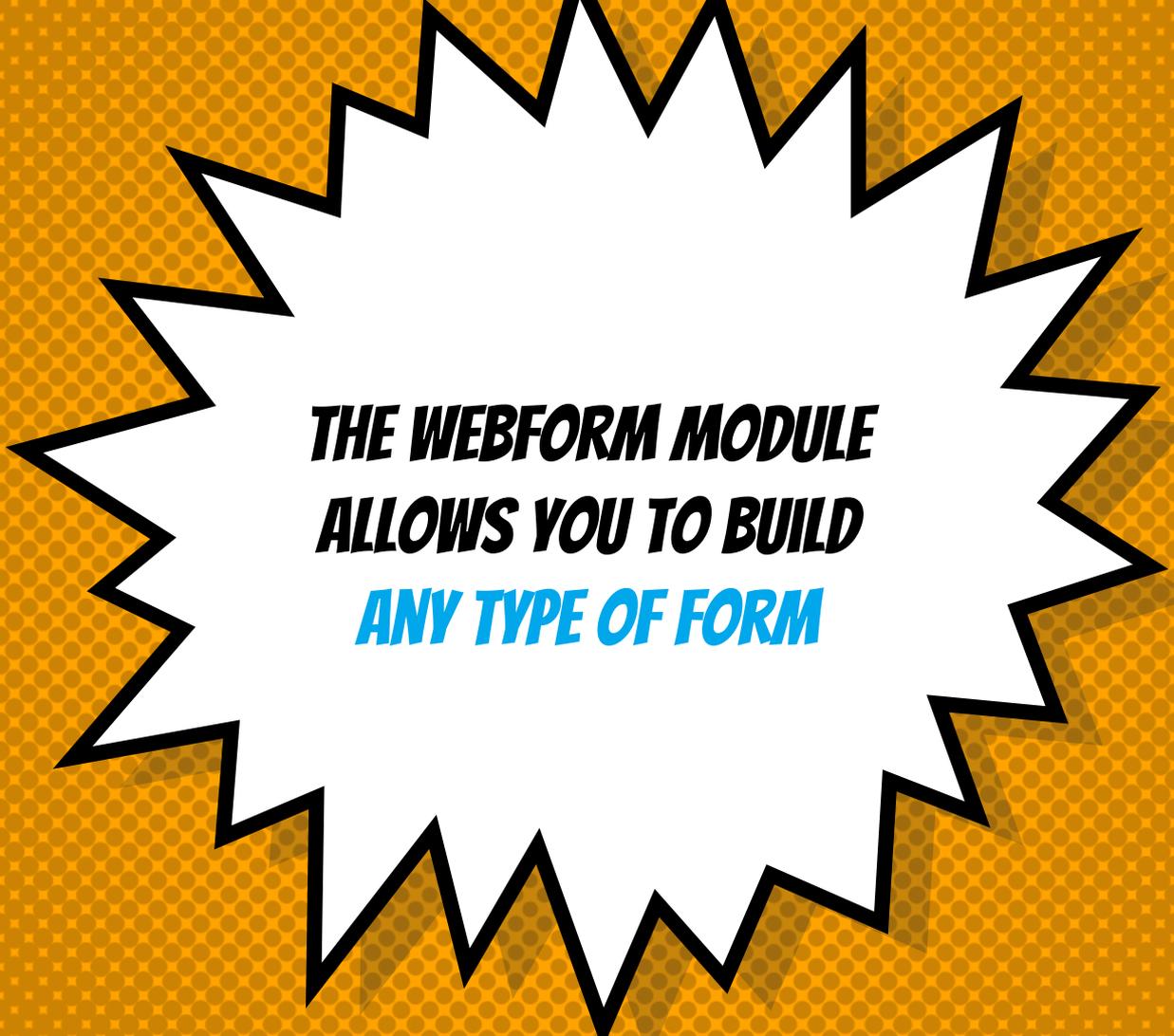
<https://www.drupal.org/project/issues/webform?version=8.x>

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***WHAT CAN YOU DO  
WITH THE MODULE?***



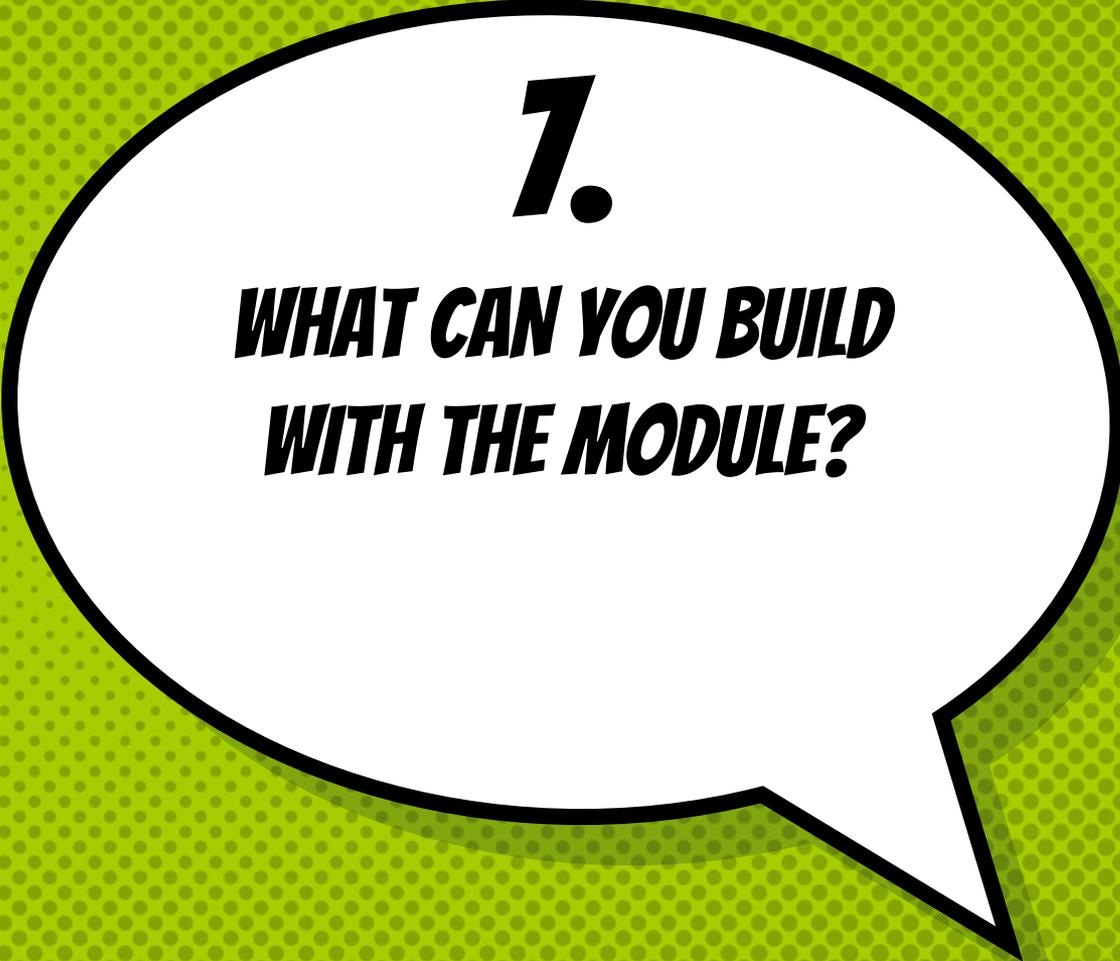
***THE WEBFORM MODULE  
ALLOWS YOU TO BUILD  
ANY TYPE OF FORM***

## ***LEARN FROM THE EXAMPLES, TEMPLATES, AND TESTS.***

- × Elements & Composites
- × Multicolumn Layouts
- × Multi-step Wizard
- × Conditional Logic
- × Demo Applications
- × Reusable Templates

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***WHAT CAN YOU BUILD  
WITH THE MODULE?***



***THE WEBFORM MODULE  
ALLOWS YOU TO BUILD  
APPLICATIONS***

## ***APPLICATIONS***

College Application

Job Application

Employee Evaluation

## ***REGISTRATION***

Event Registration

Meetup Registration

User Registration

## ***ETC...***

Online Donations

Appointments

User Profiles

**8.**

***HOW DO YOU PUBLISH  
A WEBFORM***



**WEBFORMS CAN BE  
FULLY INTEGRATED  
INTO YOUR WEBSITE.**

## ***PLACING FORMS ON YOUR WEBSITE***

### **Node**

Webforms can be attached to a node with the node's form submissions collected in a dedicated 'Results' tabs.

### **Block**

Webforms can be placed on your site as a block. The URL and source entity for each submission is automatically tracked.

### **Custom**

Webforms can be added to a render array, which can be easily altered using custom hooks and/or plugins.

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***WHAT CAN YOU DO  
WITH SUBMISSIONS***



***THE WEBFORM MODULE  
PROVIDES AN API TO DOWNLOAD  
AND/OR HANDLE SUBMISSION  
CONFIRMATIONS AND  
NOTIFICATIONS TO ANY SYSTEM***

# ***TYPES OF WEBFORM HANDLERS & EXPORTERS***

## **Notification**

Submissions can be emailed using a WebformHandler which, can be extend to route submissions to any system.

## **Remote Post**

Submissions can also be pushed to any remote server.

## **Download**

Submissions can be downloaded as CSV, JSON, YAML, and more...

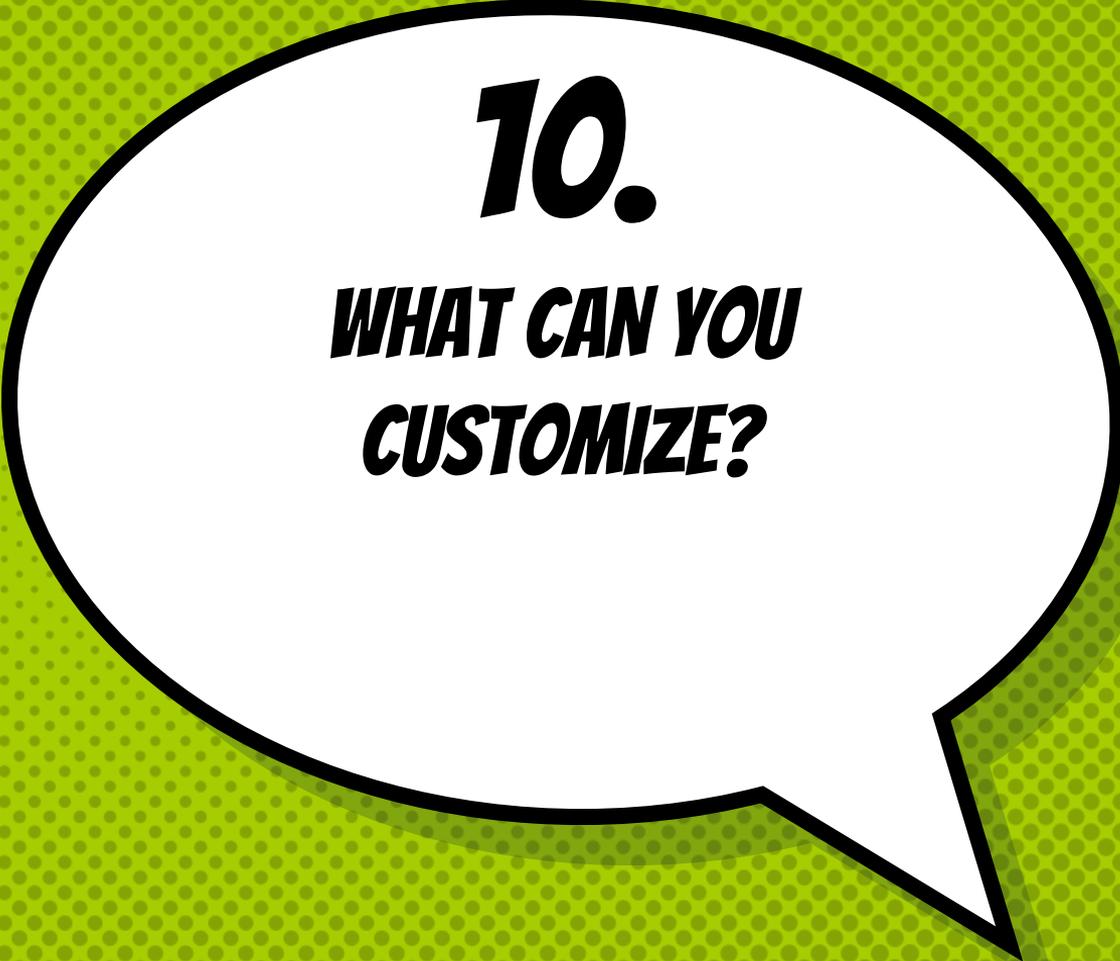
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**FRONT-END**

**ANY BACKEND**



**10.**

***WHAT CAN YOU  
CUSTOMIZE?***



**THE WEBFORM MODULE  
SHIPS WITH  
REASONABLE DEFAULTS  
BUT EVERYTHING  
IS CUSTOMIZABLE.**

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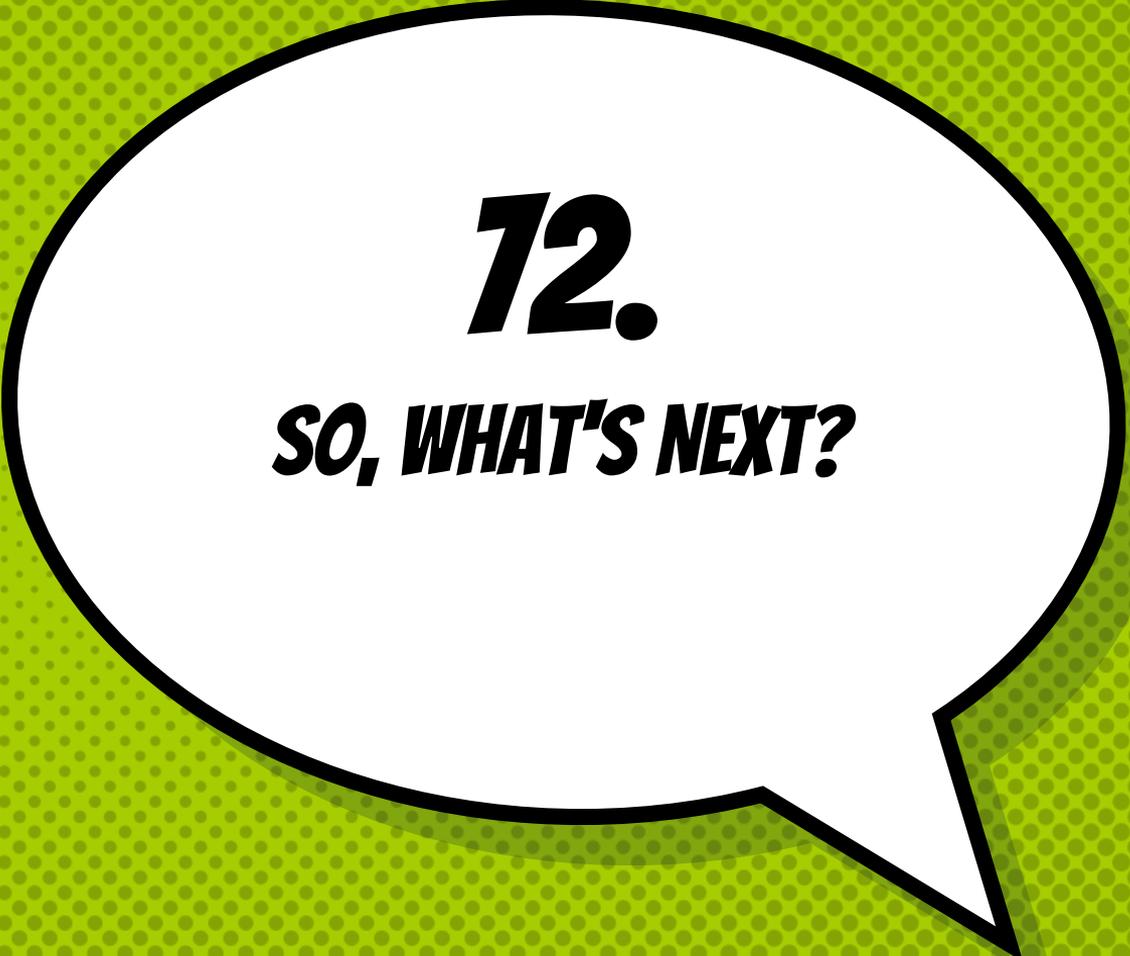
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***HOW DO YOU EXTEND  
THIS MODULE?***

## ***WHAT IS WHAT***

- × **Webforms** are config entities.
- × **Submissions** are content entities.
- × **Elements, Handlers, and Exporters** are plugins.
- × **Everything** runs through Drupal's theme system.
- × ...and there are lots of **Tests**.



**72.**

***SO, WHAT'S NEXT?***

# ROADMAP...

## Views

Better Views integration for form submission data.

## Rules

Rules integration to enhance form handling.

## Conditionals

Provide server-side validation for #states, include hiding wizard pages.

## Templates

More out-of-the box starter templates.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Integration

Payment, CRM, Google Sheets, etc...

## UI/UX

Integrate the Outside-In initiative's system tray with element previews.

<https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/modules/webform/webform-roadmap>

and ...

# FIELD API

# INTEGRATION



Issue #2792583: Use Field API

<https://www.drupal.org/node/2792583>

**13.**

***HOW CAN WE HELP  
WEBFORM SUCCEED?***



***THE WEBFORM MODULE  
IS OPEN SOURCE,  
IT IS FREE, AND  
WE NEED TO HELP IT GROW.***

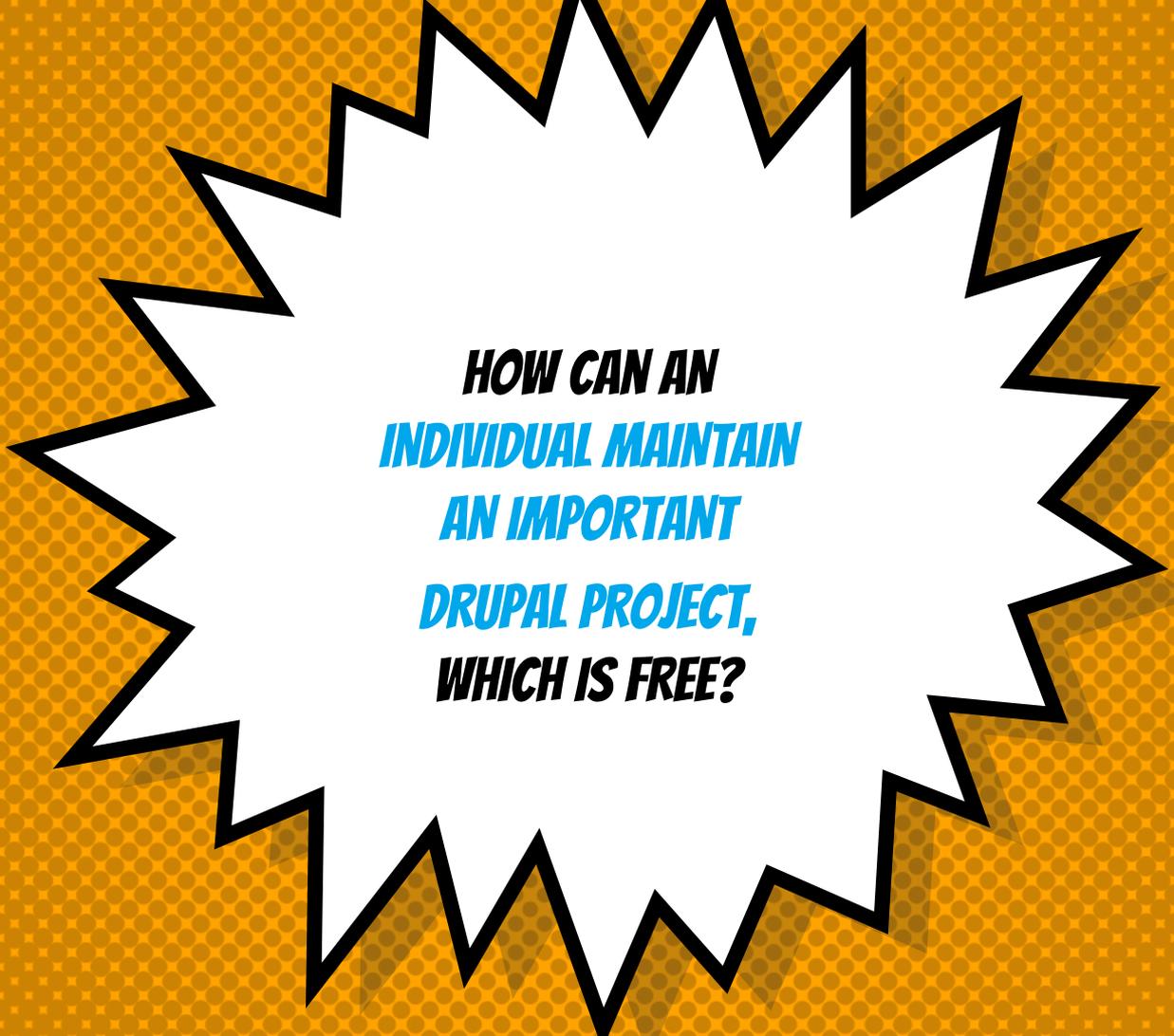


**CONTRIBUTE TO THE**  
**COMMUNITY**



***SPONSOR A***

***FEATURE???***



***HOW CAN AN  
INDIVIDUAL MAINTAIN  
AN IMPORTANT  
DRUPAL PROJECT,  
WHICH IS FREE?***

## ***HOW COULD WE CONTRIBUTE A SPONSORED FEATURE?***

1. Create an issue on Drupal.org
2. Describe the problem.
3. Define a solution.
4. Estimate the amount of work.
5. Sign an agreement.
6. Build the feature.
7. Share the feature.
8. Maintain & repeat...

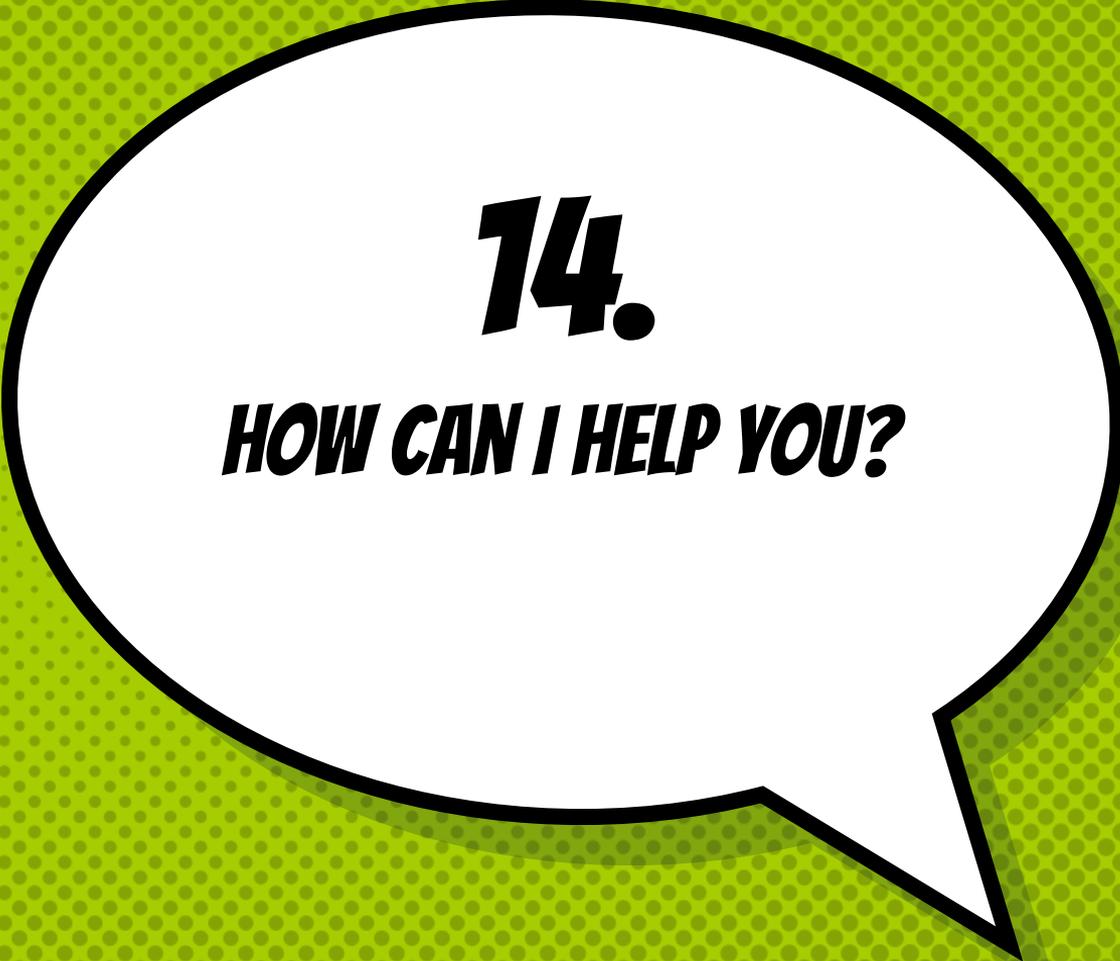
# ***KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY***

<https://www.drupal.org/kennesaw-state-university>



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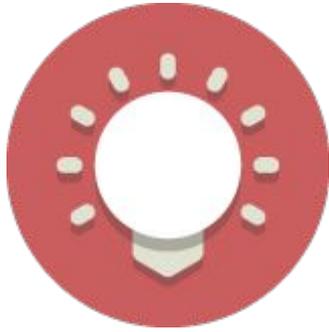
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- × #2864327: Send email based on different states  
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- × #2854020: Log submission events/transactions  
<https://www.drupal.org/node/2854020>
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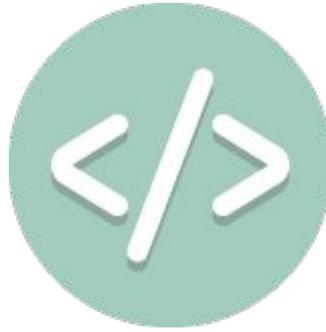
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***TRAINING  
& SUPPORT***

***CONTRIBUTE***



***SPONSOR  
A FEATURE***

***SUCCEED***



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Ralph says...

***THANKS!***



Join the Birds of a Feather

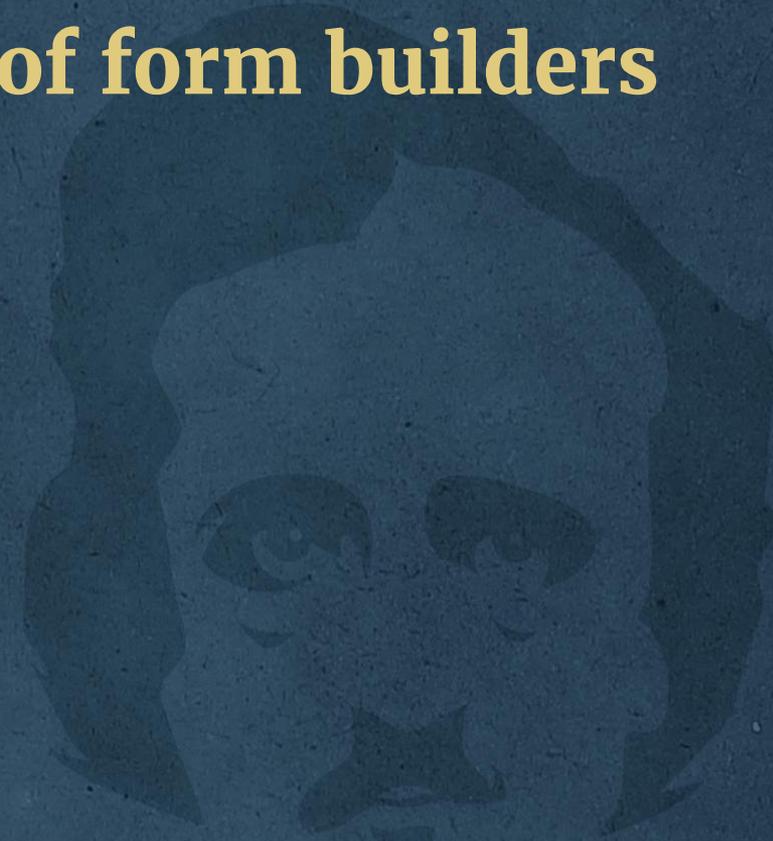
# Webform and the future of form builders for Drupal 8.

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

10:45am to 11:45am

Room: 305

[https://events.drupal.org/baltimore2017/bofs/  
webform-and-future-form-builders-drupal-8](https://events.drupal.org/baltimore2017/bofs/webform-and-future-form-builders-drupal-8)



# Join Us for Contribution Sprints

Friday, April 28, 2017

**First-Time  
Sprinter Workshop**  
9:00am-12:00pm  
Room: 307-308

**Mentored  
Core Sprint**  
9:00am-12:00pm  
Room: 301-303

**General  
Sprints**  
9:00am-6:00pm  
Room: 309-310

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