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Project Overview

Project Vision

- Design a socially informed conflict management theory in an uncertain environment to address city service conflicts
 - Resource Conflicts
 - Environment Conflicts
 - Human Conflicts
- Ensure social inclusion and equity when managing service conflicts for
 - City operators,
 - Service providers,
 - Residents

Community Stakeholders

City Operators, Service Providers, Residents

Research Tasks

Conflict Prevention

Conflict Resolution

Conflict Detection

Conflict Specification

Deliverables

- ConflictManagementTheory
- Dashboard Tools
- Smartphone App
- Digital Literacy Outreach

Social Science, Civil Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering

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Use-Inspired Research

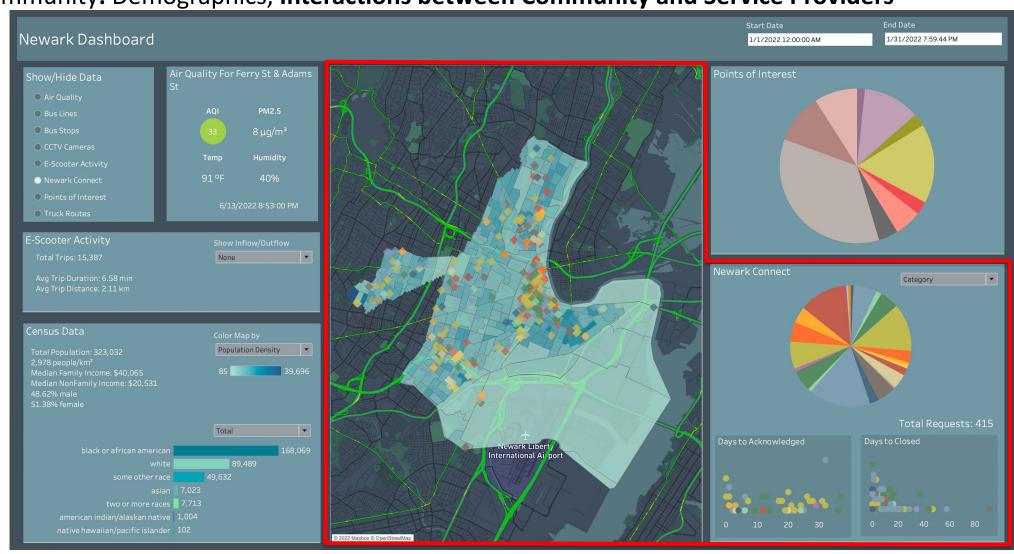
- Managing conflicts between city services of Newark NJ
- Designing a Dashboard Tool to formally specify, detect, resolve and prevent conflicts for
 - City operator (e.g., Newark Office of IT)
 - Service providers (e.g., Newark Depts. of Public Work and Public Security)
- Augmenting a Newark Connect App based on Newark Community Partner Needs

Fundamental Research Contributions

- An Equitable and Inclusive Approach to Designing Smart Services
- A Socially Informed Computational Service Conflict Management Framework
- A Social Intervention Approach to Making an Impact on Diverse Community Stakeholders

Project Update

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 - Air quality monitoring, Public Transportation, Micromobility, Public Safety Surveillance, Social networks
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 - 5 Air Quality sensors deployed and operated online by our project team
- Research: 23 Publications
 - Intelligent assistant system for requirement specification
 - Single-service monitoring and prediction
 - Multi-service integration and coordination
 - Social factor in services
 - Public service review
- Community outreach:
 - Biweekly working meetings with community partners
 - Public Service Deliberation Panel
 - OIT NSF Smart and Connected Cities Working Lunch Meeting
 - Focus group study
- Education:
 - Graduated 2 Ph.D. students
 - Involving 9 graduate students and 7 undergraduate students



Project Evolution

	What we learn from community?	How we adjust our activities?
Newark Sensing Infrastructure	Some City Sensors are malfunctioning • CCTV Cameras	We readjust our pilot study locations to focus on areas with high quality sensor data
Newark City Priority	 Truck violation is of high priority Air quality Sensing and Improvements 	 We focus on a special service of truck violation detection based on sensing and intervention infrastructures
Newark Community Engagement Tool	Less dissemination of existing tools	Explore more dissemination waysEducation sessions

Evaluating Project Impact on Communities

- Service Monitoring: Our community partners have used our dashboard to monitor different city services and their mutual impacts.
- Service Quality: Our analysis of the Newark citizen engagement platform Newark Connect has derived insights to improve public service efficiency and quality.
- New service Initiative: Our analysis on air quality and surveillance videos helps our community partners identify the most vulnerable area to initiate the pilot study of the new truck violation detection service.

Anticipated outcomes & success measures for next year

lewark Dashboard





A Case Study for Service Conflict

- Truck Transportation in Residential Zones
- Impact of Their Conflict
- Existing Conflict Management Approach
- Measures: Air Quality, Traffic, Safety, **Resident Satisfaction**

A Close-loop Conflict Management System

- Integration of existing requirements
- Real-time conflict alert
- Pipelines to action operators
- A set of user survey and user interviews
- Measures: Accuracy, Useability, Expressiveness, Equity, Fairness, Resilience, Representativeness