



**Observations & Reflection on
Project #1: To design a User-
friendly Tax Organizer for a small
accounting firm**

During the most recent tax season, we implemented a new tax organizer aimed at streamlining the collection of pre-tax season information from our clients. This organizer was developed using a customized online form, which we sent out to both individual and business clients. The intention behind this initiative was to make the process more efficient and user-friendly.

In our initial rollout of the online form, we received feedback from a small group of clients who appreciated the shift from the traditional tax organizer. They found the online format to be a refreshing change. However, some clients expressed frustration, particularly regarding the section where they were required to input approximate totals for their income and expenses. This aspect of the form seemed to create confusion and hindered the overall experience.

Recognizing these concerns, we took the initiative to redesign the tax organizer. Our new approach involved combining the online form with Microsoft Excel, which allowed for greater flexibility and ease of use.

By enabling clients to work in Excel, they could more easily input their financial data, perform calculations, and edit information as needed. This revamped organizer ultimately provided a more convenient and efficient solution for individual tax filers, making the entire filing process smoother and more manageable.

Details of the Project Initiated could be found at the [Newsletter-June 2023 Issue](#)

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A philanthropic couple, well-known in their community for their significant charitable contributions to the local elementary school, has expressed interest in organizing a seminar or workshop on integrating applied research methodologies into the school's activities.

They are particularly eager to learn how these innovative approaches can enhance student learning and engagement while fostering critical thinking and practical skills among young learners.

We believe that introducing students to the practical application of theoretical concepts at an early age can greatly enhance their curiosity and openness to new ideas.

By engaging in hands-on experiences, students are more likely to question established notions and develop critical thinking skills. This early exposure not only enriches their learning experience but also lays a strong foundation for future academic success.

Volunteer Spotlight

Mr. and Mrs. Gathani, both senior citizens living in Mumbai, India, have dedicated the last decade to uplifting their hometown village. Mrs. Shaila Gathani is not only a devoted homemaker but also a passionate artist, using her creativity to inspire others in her community. Meanwhile, Mr. Narendra Gathani, a retired businessman, has leveraged his skills to support various development initiatives in the village. Together, they work tirelessly to improve education and local infrastructure, aiming to enhance the quality of life for their fellow villagers.



A Few Notes To Remember

- For any inquiries about our projects or to share your ideas for potential projects, please email us at info@igslearning.org.
- Our projects can be time-consuming and time-sensitive, as they involve extensive research, analysis, and careful design to ensure they are meaningful for the communities we serve. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this process.

Thank you for reading!