Upper Peninsula Veterans Community Action Team (UP VCAT) online Podio workspace tutorial

Everything you need to know to get started

What is the UP VCAT?

- There have been a number of Veteran focused service provider networks across the State of Michigan in various forms over the years (ex. National Guard – Joining Community Forces), however there still remained a lack of awareness of each other and coordination among many organizations.
- The State of Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA <u>https://www.michiganveterans.com/</u>) recognized the need for coordination and reached out to a contractor named Altarum (<u>https://altarum.org/</u>) to explore solutions to address this challenge.
- Altarum assisted with establishing a structure for coordination of Veteran service provider networks they have previously experienced success with in California and Texas:

https://altarum.org/sites/default/files/uploaded-related-files/VCAT_Booklet_FINAL_FOR_Email%2020160206.pdf

First Step: Networking is what got you here, helping Veterans is what this is all about!!!

- Somehow, somewhere along the way someone made a connection (in person, phone, email, online directory, business card, napkin, message in a bottle, etc.) and now you are wondering what this Podio business is all about.
- Podio (<u>https://podio.com</u>) is a software platform (similar to Facebook, etc.) which is used by many different organizations to facilitate a variety of tasks (ex. project management, collaboration, etc. <u>https://podio.com/site/en/use-cases</u>).
- The Upper Peninsula contains about 1/3 of Michigan's land mass (over 16,000 square miles), which makes this online platform very helpful for assisting our geographically dispersed team with networking, information sharing, collaboration, problem solving, and other tasks.

Getting connected: UP VCAT Podio workspace invitation

- The UP VCAT has numerous opportunities throughout the year to get connected via face to face or conference call:
 - Quarterly main body meetings (conference calls in snowy weather, face to face conference style gatherings when travel is non life-threatening)
 - Leadership meetings (usually monthly)
 - Committee meetings for Healthcare, Education, Employment, Quality of life (numerous throughout the year)
- In-between the opportunities listed above, the need for collaboration on a day to day basis remains. This is where the online workspace serves as a helpful tool to share information, events, and find resources to assist Veterans.
- Access to the workspace is by private invitation via an e-mail containing a link to complete a webform. Service providers who complete the webform with applicable information will be granted access pending approval from the Regional Coordinator.

UP VCAT Podio workspace webform

• Over 200 service providers have created profiles within the workspace using the webform, sharing information about what they can do to assist Veterans and their families, eligibility criteria, contact information, how to provide a referral, etc.

Upper Peninsula Veterans Community Action Team (VCAT)

Thank you for your interest in joining the Veterans Community Action Team (VCAT)! Please fill out the membership form below. Once you complete this form and hit submit, you will be redirected to complete your organization form. Please complete both forms in order for your membership to be processed!

First Name *
Last Name *
Organization Name *
Position Title *
Email *
Phone Number (xxx-xxx-xxxx)
Organization's Information
You can search for your organization's profile to link it directly to your VCAT member profile.

Select or type to search...

I can provide services in the following area(s) of focus: *

Education

Employment Healthcare

Quality of Life

Description of services I can provide: *

Feel free to add any other important information about yourself or the services you provide.

Education Services Provided

Campus Veteran Resources Center
 Student Veteran Organizations (i.e. SVA)
 Academic Veteran Programs and Initiatives
 Academic Counseling - Certifications
 Academic Counseling - Technical
 Academic Counseling - Associates
 Academic Counseling - Bachelors
 Academic Counseling - Masters
 Academic Counseling - Professional
 Academic Counseling - Other
 VA Educational Benefits Assistance
 Survivors & Dependents Educational Assistance
 Vocational Rehabilitation

Employment Services Provided

Availibility of Services

Accepting Veterans

Reaching Capacity to Serve Veterans

Case by Case - Please Contact Directly

Currently Not Accepting New Clients

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Appointment Required
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 Call First
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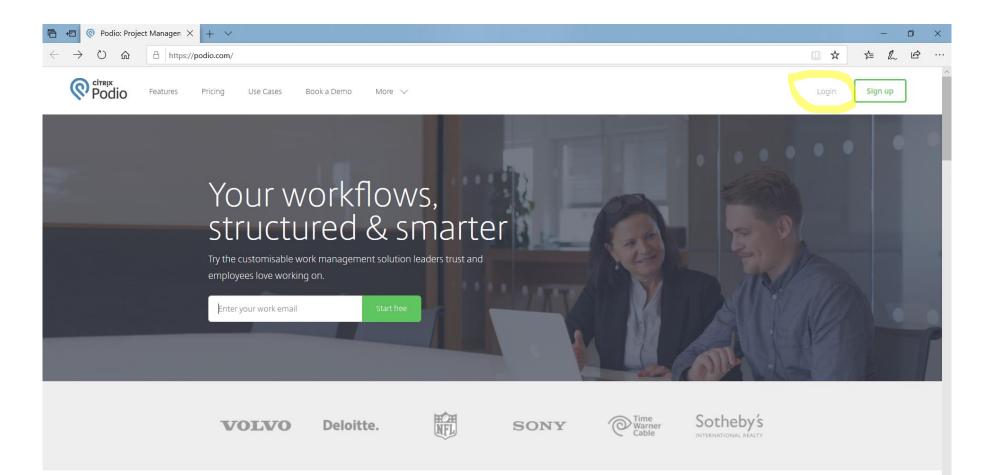
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Other Than Honorable (OTH) Discharge
Criminal Sexual Conduct
Felony
Misdemeanor
Disabled Veterans
Spouses and Children of Disabled Veterans
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Peace Time Veterans
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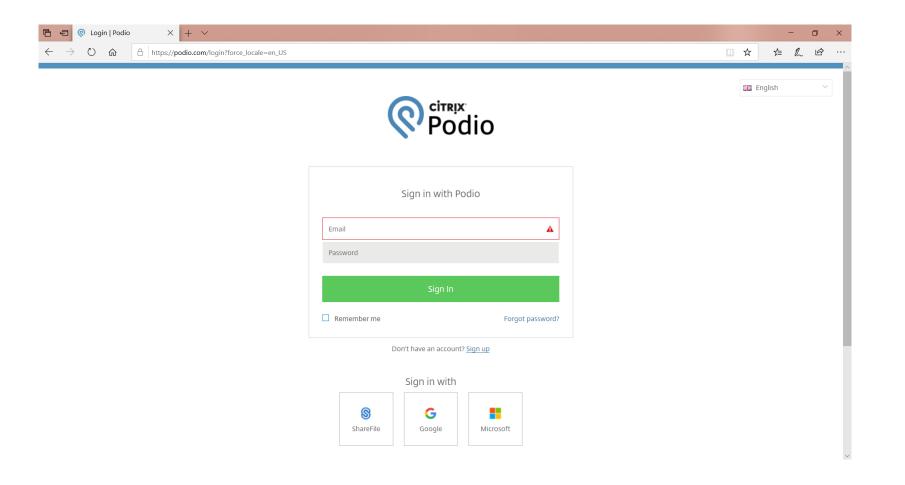
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• Seriously, I'll figure it out when I get the chance to mess with this back in the office. Just give me pictures to show me what to do, please ⁽²⁾!

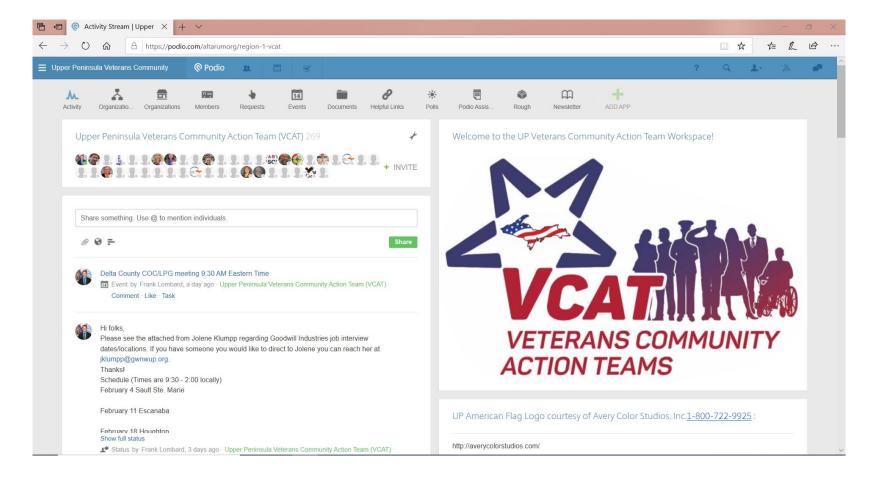
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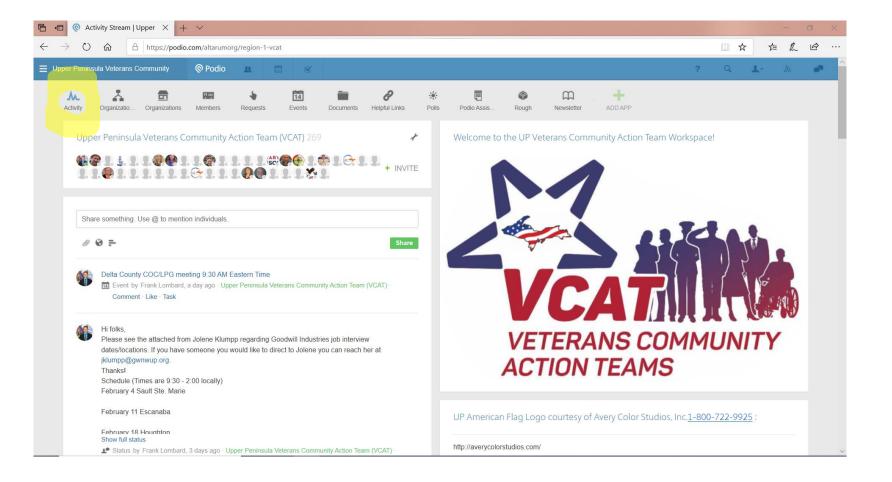
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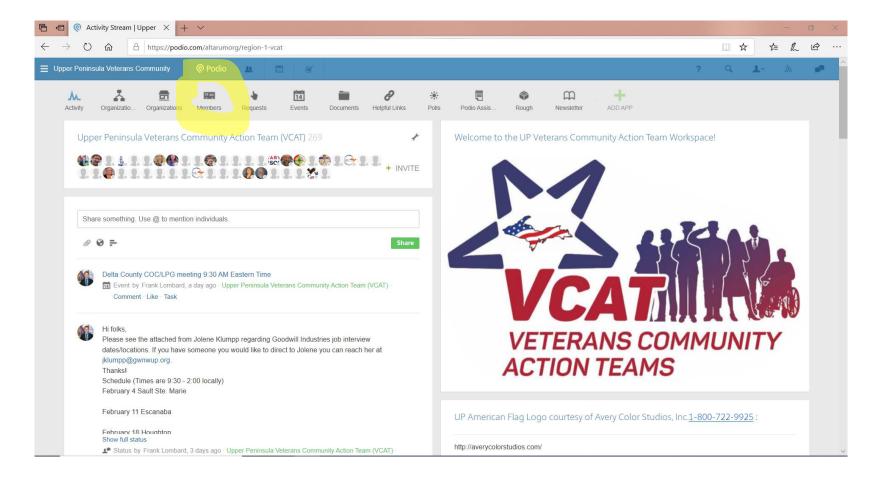
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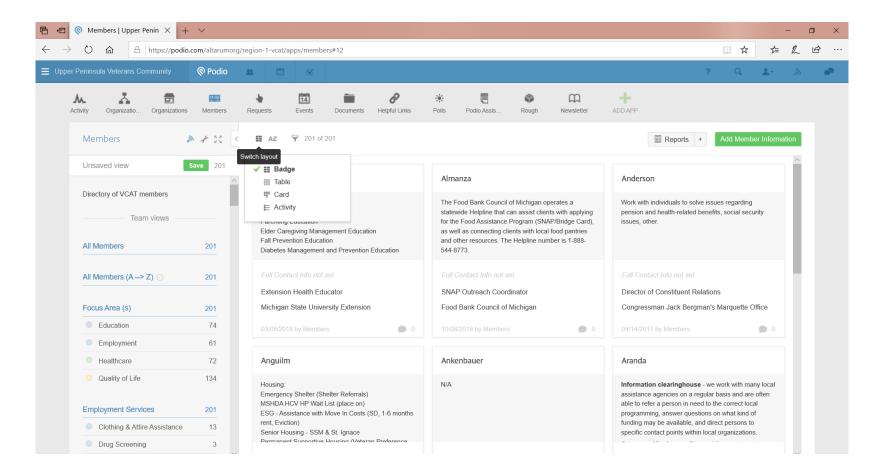
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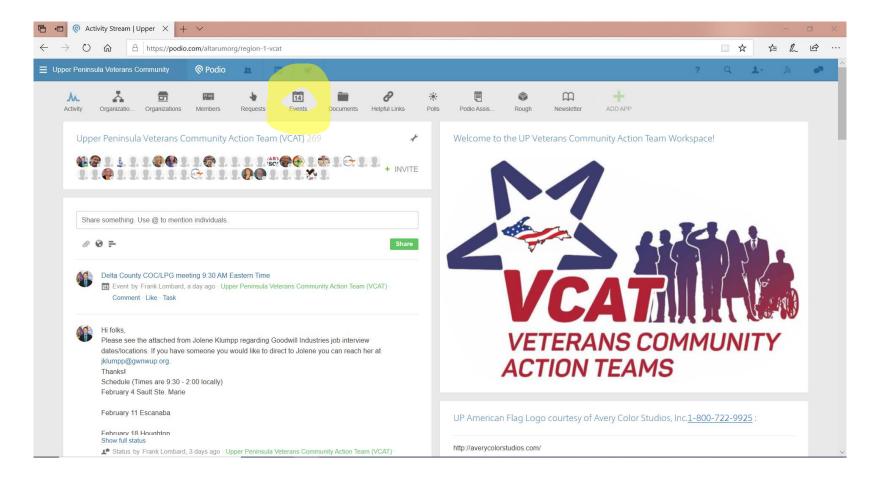
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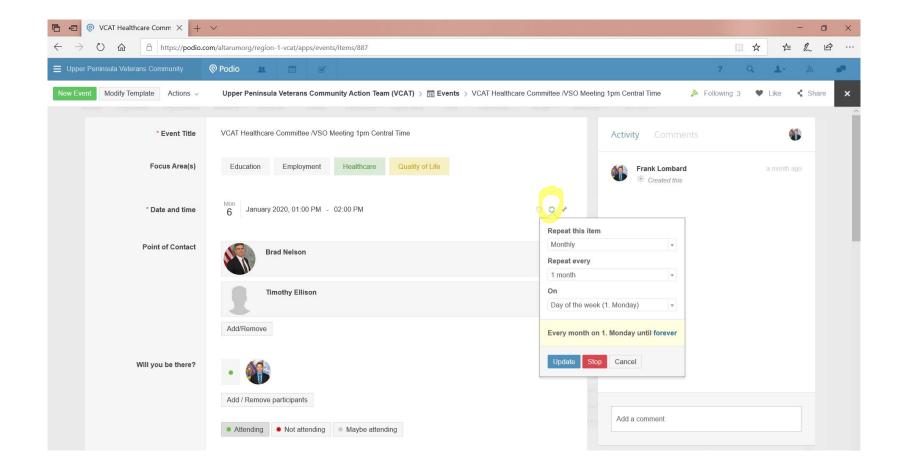
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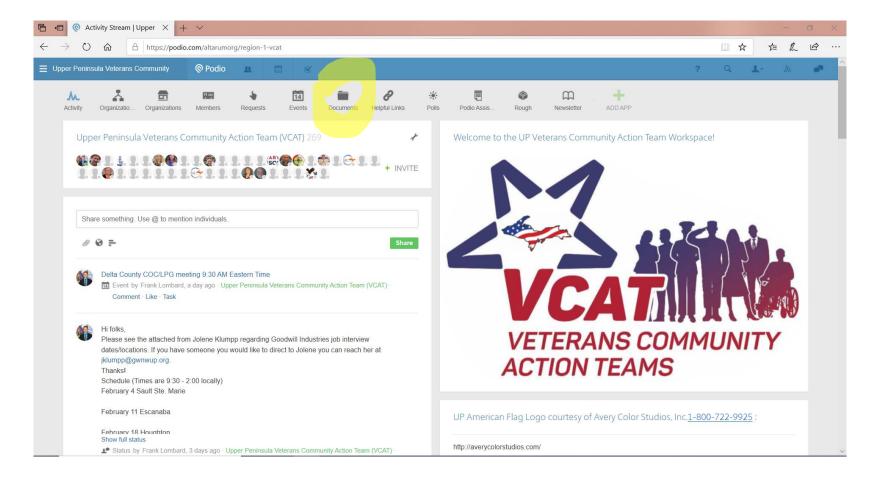
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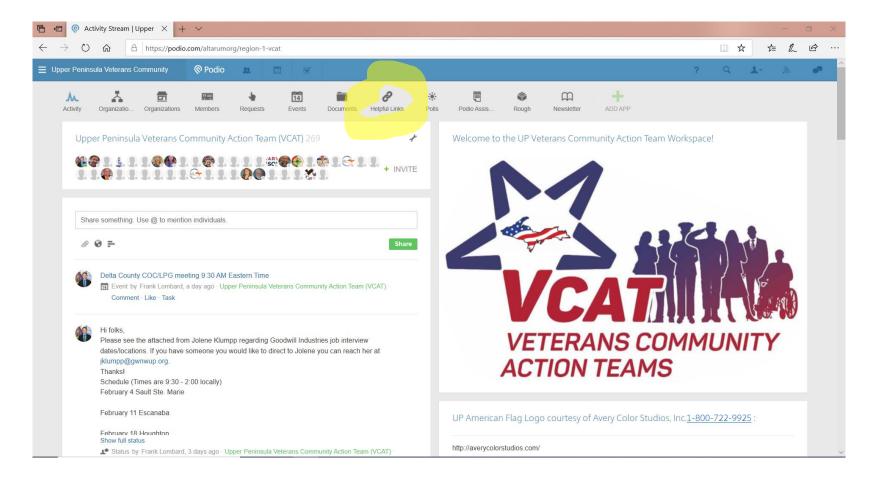
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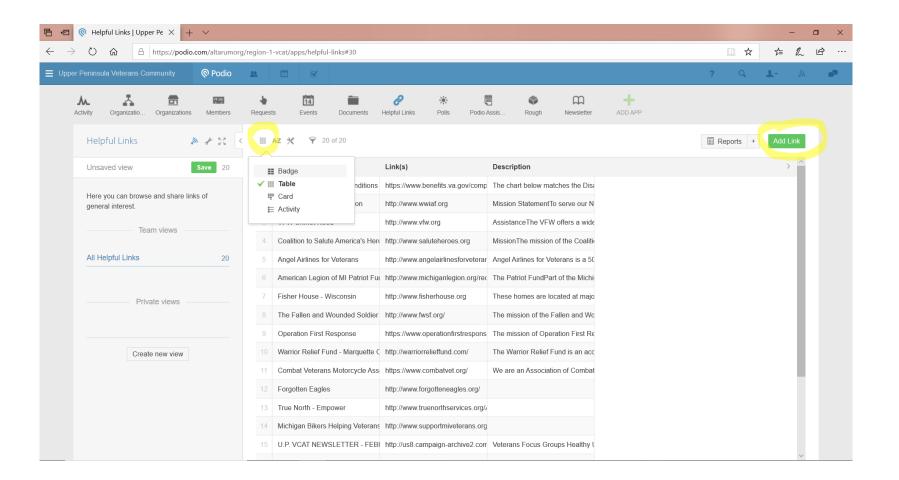
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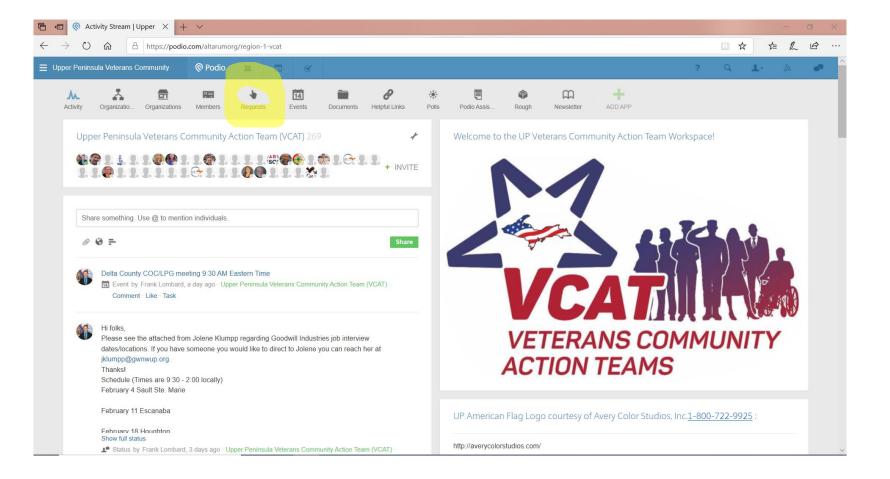
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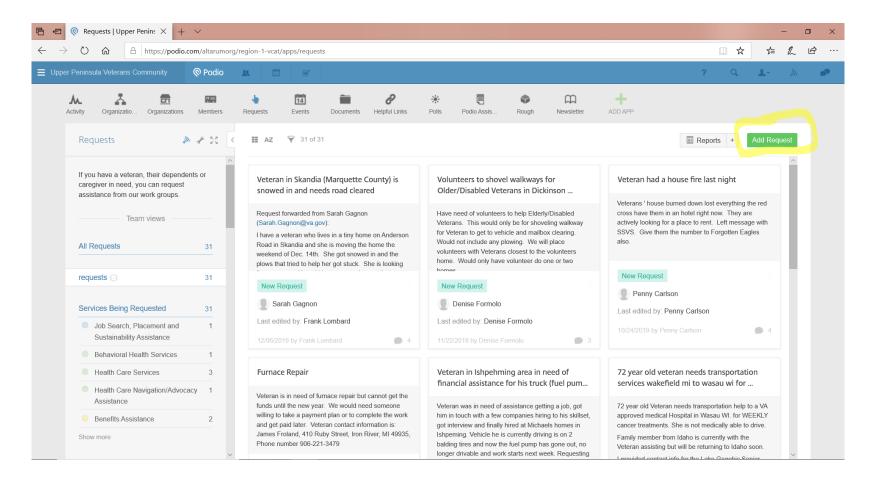
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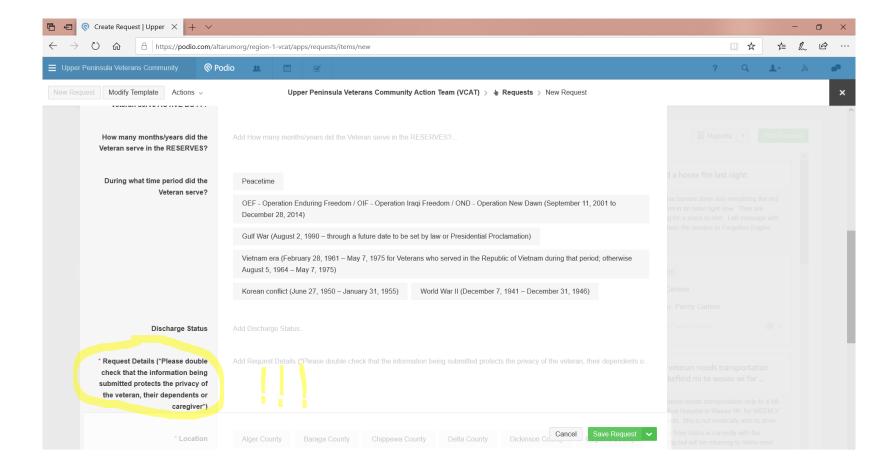
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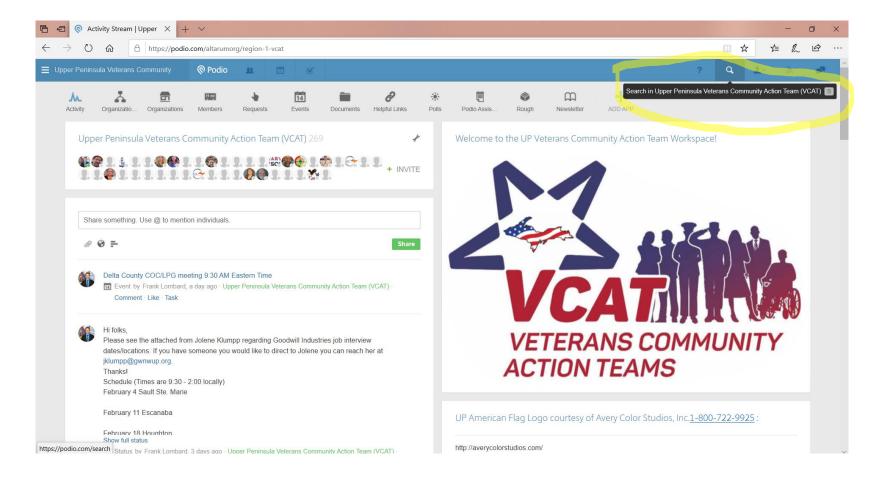
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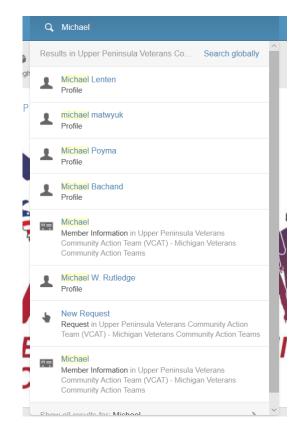
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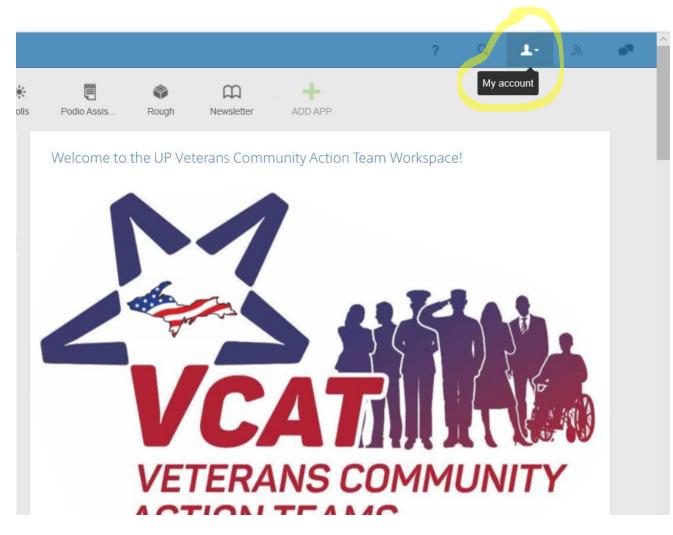
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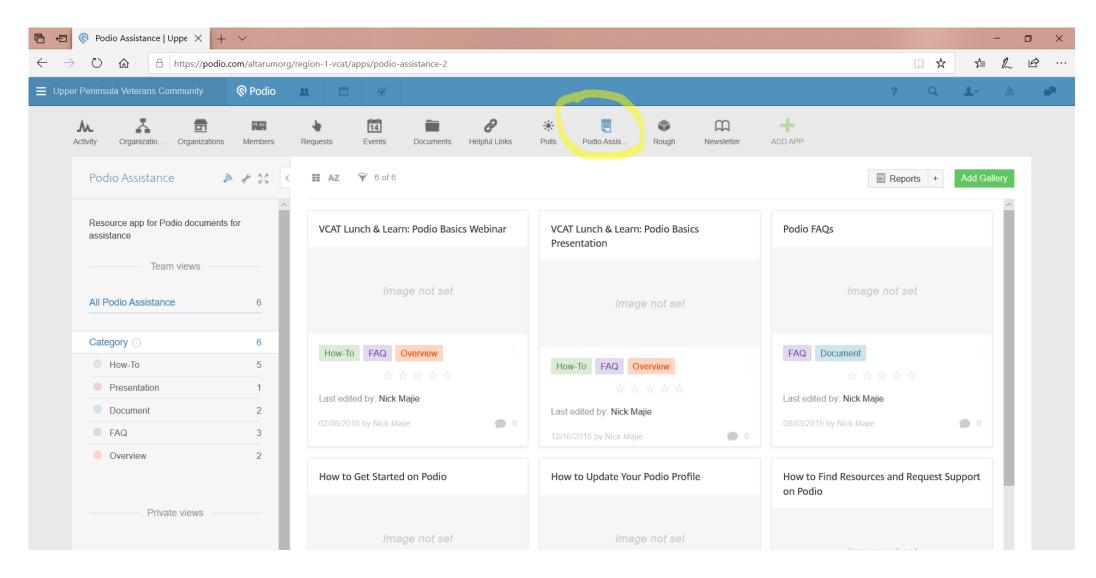


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