Rough Timeline Plan for the Vision

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This document is a rough guide. Details written here may change depending on the work that actually needs to be done to move the project forward.

2027 Plan - Assumptions

1. **Hours.** Work 60 hours per week. Learn 20 hours per week. The 20 learning hours are inside my 60. That gives me about 40 working hours a week. I split the 40 into about 30 for building and about 10 for outreach. I'll adjust the total working hours when needed, while still taking care of my boundaries as listed in the manifesto. Note that on top of working X hours per week, I think about this project during all of my waking hours.
2. **Learning.** AI tools are learned by using them on that week's task, not separately. The other learning hours go to the domains of the work, such as privacy law and software security, by working with the exceptional people who are gonna do the work, so I understand how hard each kind of work is.
3. **Funding.** $10k to start. The plan assumes the $10k arrives before March 2027. If it arrives later, every date moves by the same amount. Until then, my work is getting funding and exceptional teammates. The $100k is requested when the $10k has about a month of runway left, with a report on results so far. More grant money after that, sized by the reports. Related document/s: Grant Proposal 1
4. **No connections.** Everyone recruited comes from cold outreach.
5. **People.** Everyone brought in for now, paid or unpaid, must be skilled and experienced at the work and do moral good. Fit is checked by a short paid trial.

What limits 2027

Better AI tools can speed up building. But they cannot speed up how often strangers say yes, deal with each other, break promises, and check records. So the limit is evidence of real use, not code.

Mar to May: start phase 1

- **Week 1:**
  - Write a one-page list of what every entry in the record must say, and post it publicly so experienced software engineers and legal advisors can point out fields that are easy to fake, details that leak private information, or pieces that are missing, before it is built.
  - Write down the numbers that mean phase 1 has passed. Example: members still use it after week 4 without a reminder, readers check before dealing, and at least one party declines to deal with a promise breaker or deals more with someone who kept their promises. The exact numbers are set once it is clear how many parties reply. Publish the numbers before the first use starts, so they cannot be changed after results are seen.
  - Write down simple quick questions for the target audience about their pains and wants that connect to this project. Then start outreach.
  - Apply for free AI credits and get pro bono legal and software help.
- **Weeks 1 to 12, outreach:** send genuine personal cold messages every week, at least 25 to start, and adjust by reply rate. Contact food businesses each with their buyers and suppliers. For example: a few farms, distributors, and the restaurants and shops in one town. Ask each one to bring a few of its

counterparties. Keep prospecting online or local. Travel only when a prospect said yes and the meeting is worth the cost. Record when each prospect was reached, how each member joined, and when each member's first promise was recorded.

- **Weeks 1 to 4, privacy:** read the main points of the Philippine data privacy law, using the National Privacy Commission's guides. Write down what the prototype will and will not store, and keep personal data to the least it needs.
- **Weeks 2 to 10, prototype:** build a basic prototype for promise entries only, as phase 1 says. It has signed entries that cannot be quietly changed or erased, anyone can read what others wrote about a member, named people can answer, and new accounts are shown as new. Keep signing keys as simple as possible and list that as a known weakness. Three months is the honest commitment. Finishing sooner is a bonus.
- **Weeks 8 to 12, first use:** run it with whoever said yes, even a handful. Tell them plainly that entries are permanent. Use paper if the prototype is late. If pro bono legal and software engineer help have not reviewed it, keep the first use small.
- **Weeks 10 to 12, AI agent demo:** build a small AI agent that reads the record before a simulated order and flags counterparties with broken promises. It makes no real orders. This is a first, simulated version of the AI demo planned for when phase 2 passes.
- **Weeks 11 to 12, small attack test:** invite the engineers who reviewed the one-page list to try to create fake accounts and fake entries on the prototype, and run an AI model against it for the same purpose. Record what got through and how fast. If no engineers volunteer, the AI model attack is run alone and the report says so. This is a small test, not the full outside attack test when phase 2 is built.
- **Report 1:** publish it by the end of May, or sooner if the $10k is running low. It covers what was built, how many messages were sent, how many replied and joined, what the AI agent demo and the attack test showed, and what failed. Request the $100k with it.

Jun to Aug: run phase 1, design phase 2

- Keep the first group going until the phase 1 test can be judged. Phase 1 will probably run past August, because strangers are slow to recruit and the test needs many deals. Recruiting could be made faster through more big connections made from outreach, or through paid ads if there is more money.
- Once the first group passes its test, bring in the next group of food businesses, each with their buyers and suppliers. This tests whether results hold elsewhere and whether the new group joins faster than the first. Tell members it is a trial.
- **Engineer:** hire a skillful, experienced security or distributed-systems engineer part-time or by contract. Start with a short paid trial. Their job is the riskiest parts: key handling, tamper evidence, and fake accounts.
- **Lawyer:** pay for a legal review before real people's entries go live at scale. Ask specifically about erasure rights and about liability for entries that other people write.
- **Design phase 2 only:** vouching, attaching outside evidence such as payment and delivery records, limits on entry spam, and copies held by independent groups. Nothing is released before phase 1 passes.
- **Report 2:** the phase 1 result so far and what looks missing or unneeded.

Sep to Nov: depends on phase 1

- **If phase 1 has passed:**
  - Build vouching, evidence attachment, spam limits, and copies held by at least 3 independent groups.
  - Publish the code and the founding principles.
  - Form the small group that sets direction.
- **If phase 1 has not passed:** do more outreach and improve the prototype. Keep phase 2 on paper.
- **Entity:** set it up once the first test gives positive results, as the grant proposal says. Set it up earlier only if a funder requires it.

Dec: depends on phase 2

- **If phase 2 is built:** get an outside attack test from someone other than the engineer who built the defenses, where they try to fake entries and accounts. Publish the results. Then step back and see whether the independent holders keep it running without me.
- **If phase 2 passes:**
  - Define one common format that software and AI can use to read and write entries.
  - Build a small AI demo that checks the record before a deal.
  - Talk to one platform, bank, or insurer that serves food businesses about reading the record.
  - None of this touches real deals until the phase 2 test passes.
- **If phase 2 is not built or does not pass:** fix problems.
- Start designing how disagreements are settled with legal help , on paper only.
- **Report 3, a 2028 plan, and the next grant request:** sized by what the reports show.

Running all year

- A short public update every month.
- Every report says what looks missing or unneeded, and the plan changes to match.
- Keep recruiting for work that's needed: security, software, AI safety, law, economics, partnerships.
- Apply for more funders and AI credits.
- Budget for more legal review as the record grows.
- If reports show that in-person meetings convert much better than online outreach, a higher monthly amount is requested then, with that evidence.

What I expect by December

- **Best case:** a tested prototype, three public reports, open code, one attack test, the entity set up, and phase 3 prepared.
- **Likely case:** phase 1 passes mid-year or later, and phase 2 is partly built but not yet tested.
- **If phase 1 does not pass:** there is clear evidence of why, which is the purpose of the test.
- **Not expected in 2027:** phases 4 to 6 and the release of phase 3.
- **This plan does not show the 10-year aim is on track.** It only tests whether the foundation holds. It does not test whether the AIs and robots that hold power would act on the record. The aim needs an experienced lean team and more funding to grow quickly from 2028, and it cannot be shown that this will happen.

Risks

1. Too few strangers say yes, or they do not check the record before dealing. Phase 1 tests this first.
2. Fake accounts beat vouching. Phase 1 and 2 test this.
3. I work alone for now and am new to this, so the first engineer sets the speed.
4. The $10k runs out early. The next money is requested when about a month of runway is left.
5. A teammate brought in does not do moral good. The trial reduces this risk but cannot remove it.
6. Overwork. Rest is planned into the schedule when needed.
7. Entries harm real people. A false or malicious entry can hurt someone, and entries cannot be quietly changed or erased. The first use is small, members are told plainly that entries are permanent, personal data is kept to the least needed, and named people can answer an entry. Legal review comes before real entries go live at scale.

What rests on assumptions

- The monthly timings and the 25 messages a week are estimates. The plan commits only to deliverables that the people doing the work control, and lets dates move.
- Whether phase 1 passes this year depends on how many strangers say yes and how often they deal.
- What the legal and software will cost has not been estimated, and the $100k may not cover everything above.
- It has not been verified that pro bono legal or software engineer help will be available.
- The plan assumes joining the network can be free and instant. If joining later needs identity checks to stop fake accounts, it becomes harder to write entries. There is no design for that yet.