### **EMPOWERING EMPLOYMENT**



A suite of award winning apps to help people with disabilities navigate their lives.













# What is TravelMate and EmployMate?





#### TravelMate

- Travel Training Curriculum
- Virtual support
- Includes bus, metro, train (amtrak), plane, carpooling & more!

#### **EmployMate**

- "Job Coach in your Pocket"
- Virtual Support
- Soft Skills and more!
- Includes greeting, negotiating lunch dates, appropriate work topics & more!







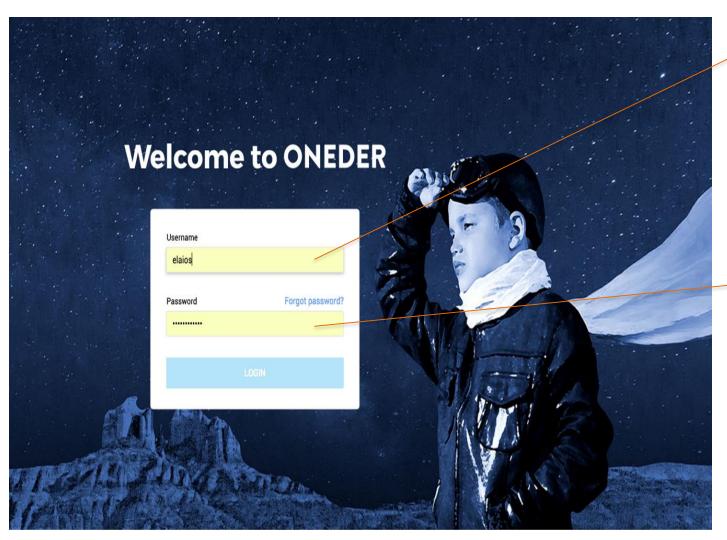
# Brief History of Travel Training Project

- Funded by USDOT Metropolitan Washington
  Council of Government Mobility Management
- 2013-2015 first grant
- 2017-2018 current grant
- 2019-2020 upcoming grant
- Lessons learned
  - Data collection
  - Train staff together
  - Longer trainings





#### ONEder is the software platform for TravelMATE/EmployMATE



Enter email

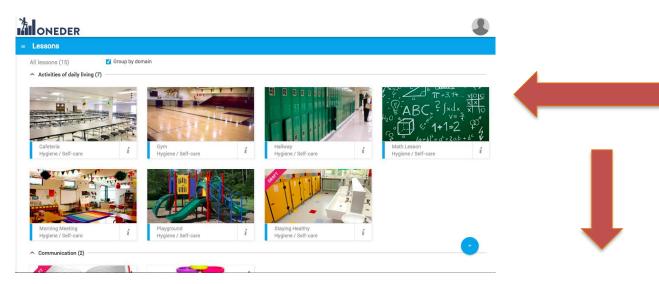
Click on "Forgot Password" to reset if needed



Cloud based so all users have their own username/password

#### Three formats for ultimate user friendliness - designed for use in the community

EDITORused by trainer



SIDEKICKused by trainer, teachers, therapists, parents, siblings, friends, etc.

PLAYERused by clients

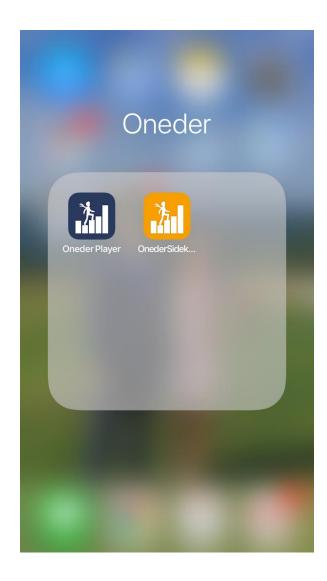


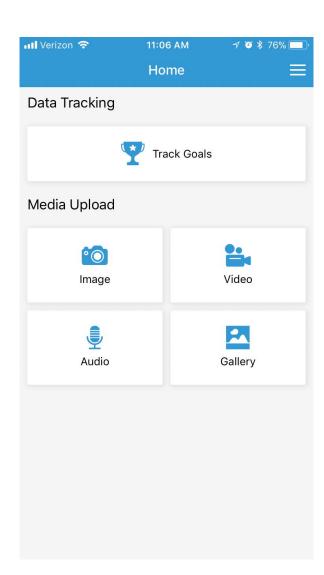


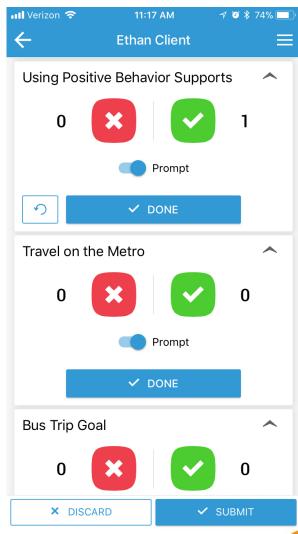
## Live Demo











Sidekick Goal Tracking



#### Data Collection

- Partnership GMU
  - Department of Special Education
  - Grace Francis, Ph.D.



- •Client and Trainer Qualtrics Survey
  - •Participants take a pre-test at the start of 12 weeks
  - •Participants take a post-test at the end of 12 weeks



### How to gain access to ONEder

- Work with one of the organizations we've trained
  - GMU Life
  - MOST
  - SPARC
  - Starfish Savers
  - Best Buddies
  - College Steps
  - St. John's Community Services

- Convince your school or employment provider to get TravelMate and EmployMate by having a training
- Attend a training yourself!
  - Commitment of travel training the three individuals for at least three (3) months







### **FUTURE PLANS**

Expanding our Horizons – Working with sister chapters:

- The Arc of Prince Georges County
- The Arc Montgomery County









# QUESTIONS???





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