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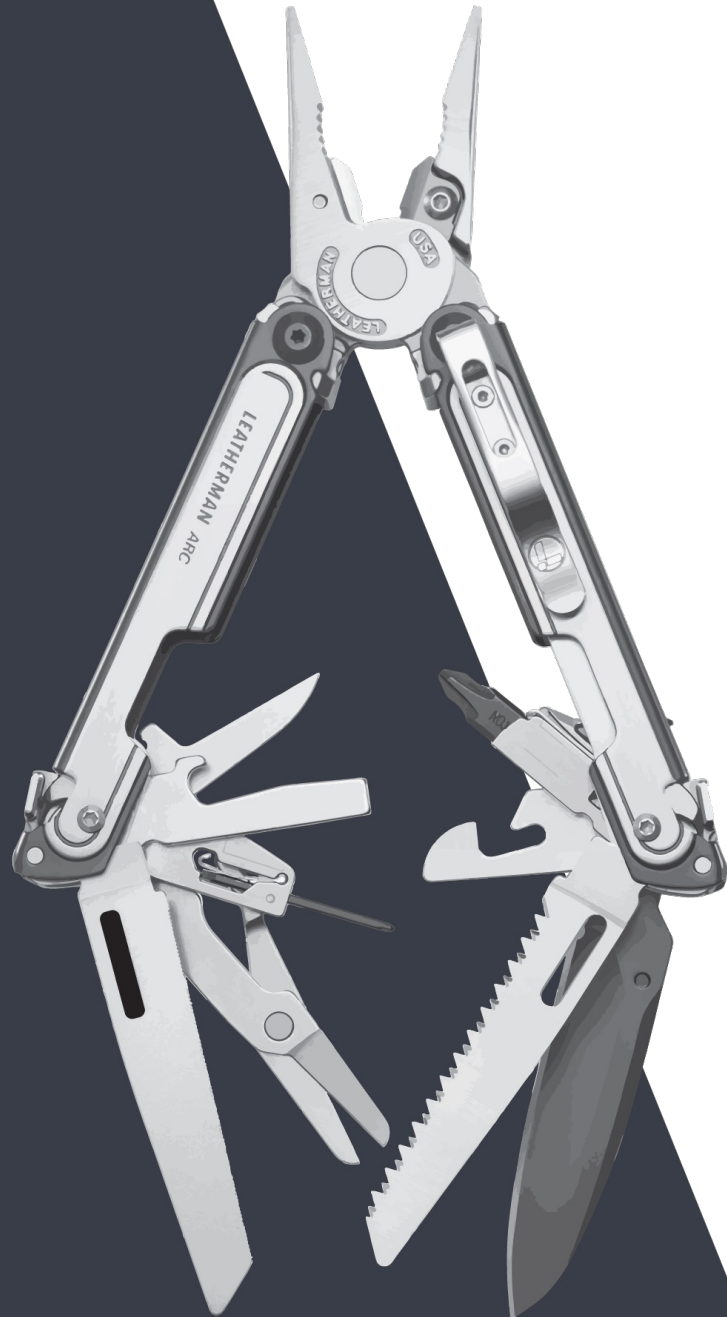
**FINAL PRESENTATION
LEATHERMAN ARC MULTI-TOOL**

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LEATHERMAN ARC



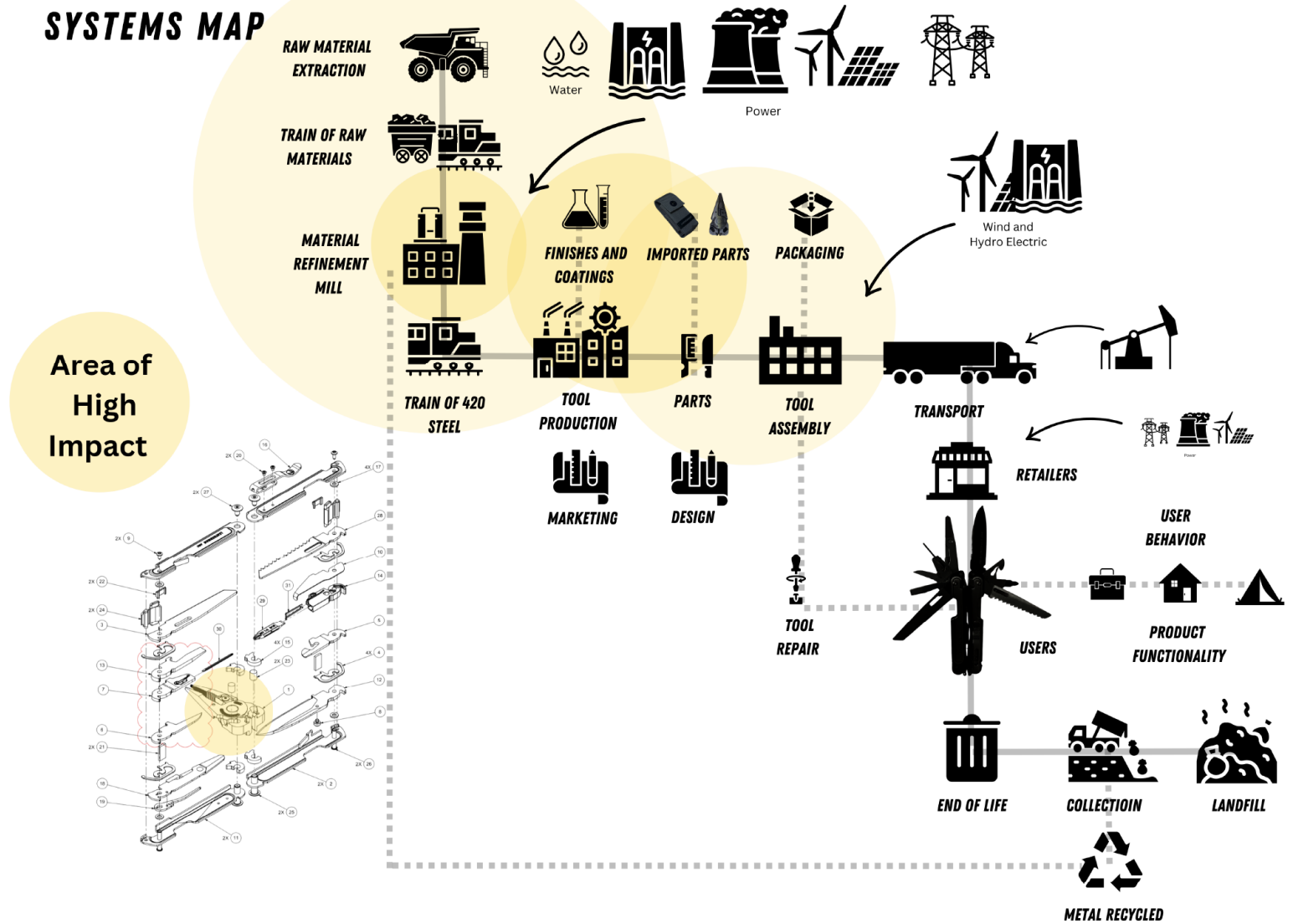
TOOLS INCLUDED

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|---|----------------------------|
| 1. MagnaCut Knife Blade | 11. Impact Surface |
| 2. Needlenose Pliers | 12. Large Screwdriver |
| 3. Regular Pliers | 13. Bottle Opener |
| 4. Large Bit Driver | 14. Can Opener |
| 5. Diamond-coated File | 15. Awl |
| 6. Small Bit Driver | 16. Spring-action Scissors |
| 7. Wood/Metal File | 17. Saw |
| 8. Pry Tool | 18. Wire Stripper |
| 9. Premium Replaceable Wire Cutters | 19. Electrical Crimper |
| 10. Premium Replaceable Hard-wire Cutters | 20. Edge File |

SYSTEM MAP



SYSTEMS MAP



DESIGN BRIEF

BOUNDARIES

INCLUDE: tool, sheath, sourcing, transportation, manufacturing processes, user behavior (repair and disposal, corporate engagement)

EXCLUDE: packaging, facility/utilities

FUNCTIONAL UNIT

Lifetime of the product (25 years)

METRICS FOR SUCCESS

- Reduce carcinogens by **30%**
- Maintain projected working lifespan of **25 years**
- Reduce overall CO₂ eq. kg/func. unit by **25%**
- Maintain **majority** customer approval of functionality, desirability, and attractiveness
- Maintain a **40%** profit margin (while keeping market prices in mind)
- Improve LCA Impact Score by **50%**

LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENTS



LCA TAKEAWAYS








- TOO EXPENSIVE
- TOO EASY
- TOO INEFFECTIVE

LCA TAKEAWAYS

PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	METRIC(S)
1	Must be durable, corrosion resistant, and hold an edge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must last for at least 25 years
2	Must be functional, desirable, and attractive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 85% customer satisfaction of the tool in all categories Can maintain 40% profit margin without pricing the unit out of scope
3	Encourage sustainable behavior change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase number of tools sold that are sent in for repair by 5% Survey responses report 99% of users have used their Leatherman Arc to repair another consumer good
4	Market sustainability in an inclusive way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 95% of consumers approve of communication and execution of the initiative
5	LCA improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LCA improvement of > +25%

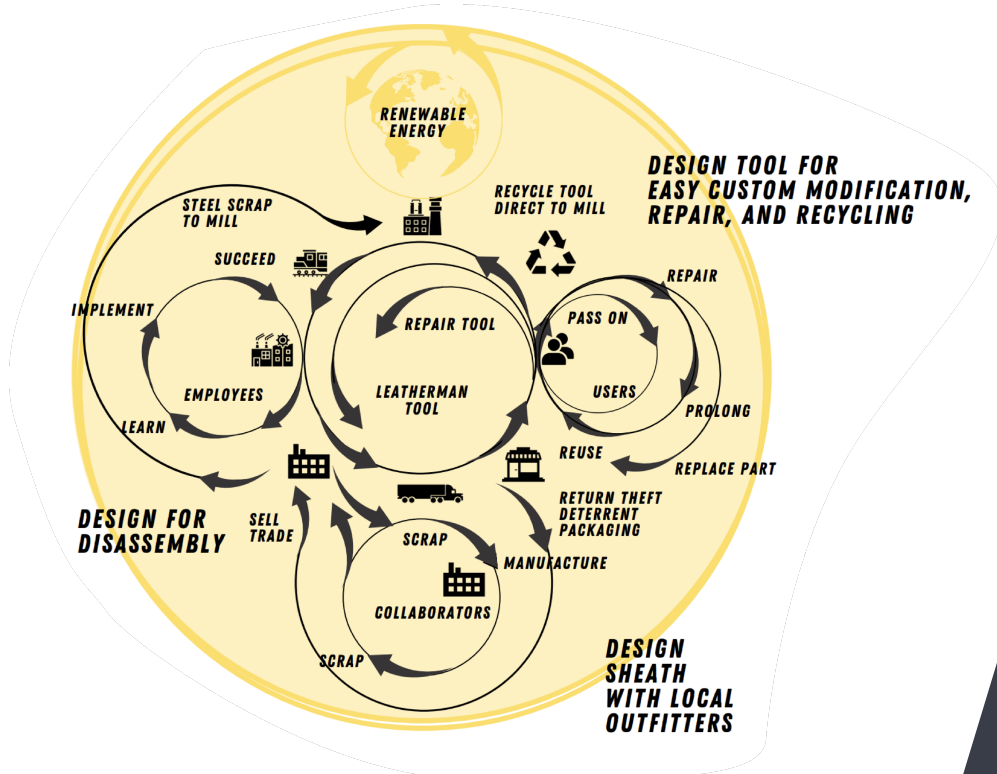
Sheath: Alternative Materials Resource Table

MATERIAL	LINK(S)	PROS	CONS	CONTACT (if applicable)	PHOTO(S)
Cork Leather	https://mbcork.com/en-us	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renewable material - doesn't damage the tree Flexible and soft Color options Produces no waste in extraction, processing, or production Completely recyclable; can be ground and made into new material 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grows primarily in Portugal Not as sturdy as animal hide leather 	Email: cs.mbcork@gmail.com (Portugal)	
Mylø	https://mylo-unleather.com/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brought to market with Adidas, Lululemon Grows in weeks (faster than yeast) Is compostable Naturally absorbent, antibacterial and antimicrobial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not biodegradable Plastics still included in final product Chemicals involved in manufacturing process 	https://mylo-unleather.com/contact/	
Vegea	https://alternativeleathers.com/pages/grape-leather https://www.vegeacompany.com/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renewable material source (Vegea sources grape skins, seeds, and stalks from wineries across Italy. These are the leftovers from their winemaking process.) Brought to market with Calvin Klein, Diora, Bentley 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not biodegradable Plastics still included in final product Chemicals involved in manufacturing process 	https://alternativeleathers.com/pages/contact	
Desserto	https://alternativeleathers.com/pages/cactus-leather https://desserto.com.mx/home https://eikenshop.com/en-us/blog/leather-guide/cactus-leather#H6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renewable material source (The Nopal cacti are grown using rainwater and no artificial fertilizers.) Brought to market with Adidas, Fossil, Mercedes Benz Smooth and soft Abundant in Mexico Partially biodegradable Needs very little water to grow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not as flexible as animal leather Partially biodegradable Only lasts about 10 years Expensive (targeted to wealthy minority) 	https://alternativeleathers.com/pages/contact	
Piñatex	https://alternativeleathers.com/pages/pinatex https://www.panaprium.com/blog/pinatex-pineapple-leather https://www.ananas-anam.com/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renewable material source (After pineapple harvest, the plant leaves that are left behind are collected in bundles and the long fibres are extracted using semi-automatic machines.) Brought to market with Hugo Boss, Nike, H&M and more Uses waste from pineapple farming industry 30% cheaper than animal leather Lightweight and durable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unlike animal hide leather, pinatex is not biodegradable Low heat resistance Low elasticity Low abrasion resistance Can dry out over time (doesn't last as long as animal leather) 	https://alternativeleathers.com/pages/contact	

IDEA DEVELOPMENT



CIRCULARITY

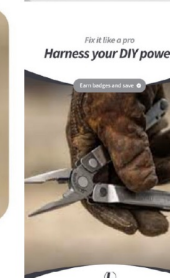
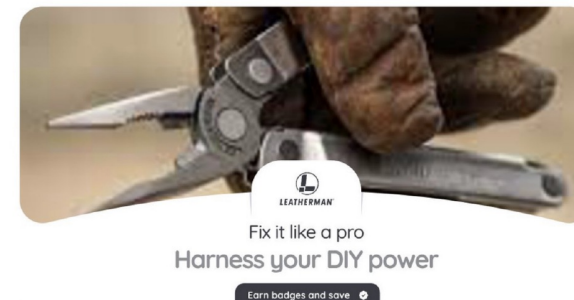
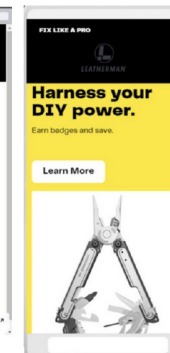
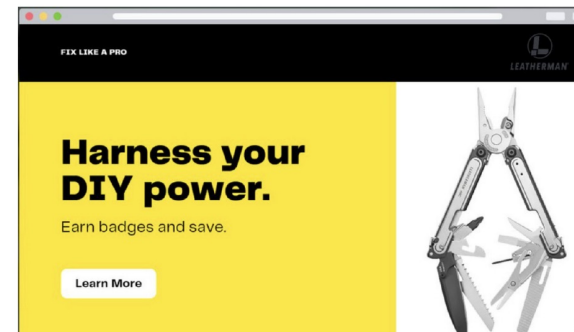
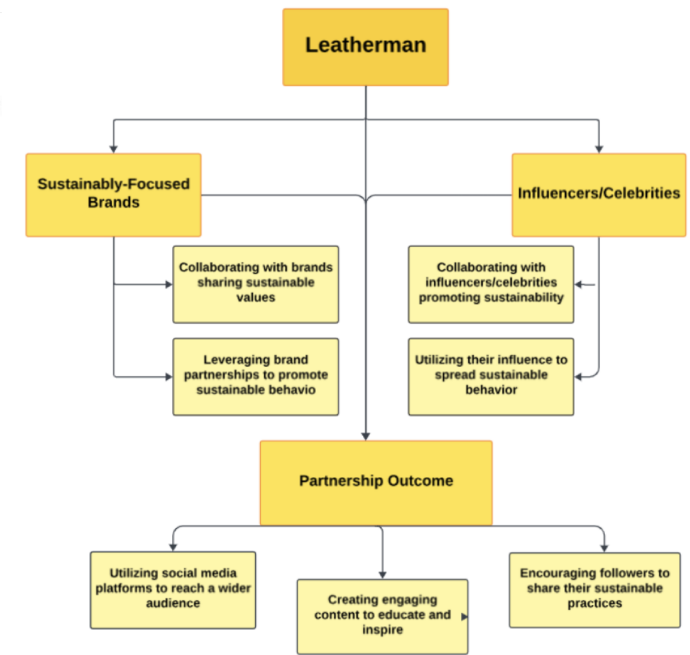
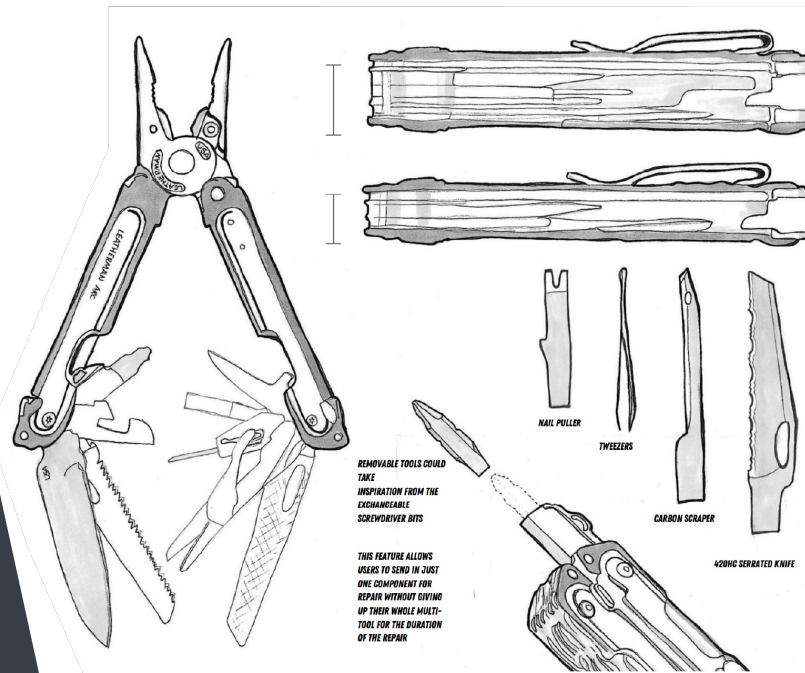


THE ADAPTIVE STRATEGY

- STEP 1:** Observe and Interpret the System
- STEP 2:** Envision Circular Futures
- STEP 3:** Create the Conditions for Collaboration
- STEP 4:** Build Circular Design Capabilities
- STEP 5:** Rewrite the Rules
- STEP 6:** Develop Tools to Design and Evaluate

PERSUASIVE DESIGN

1. CHANGE BEHAVIOR
2. INCREASE ABILITY
3. INCREASE MOTIVATION



MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

GOALS

PRODUCT

OBJECTIVE

MISSION

VISION

DIFFERENTIATORS

AUDIENCE

PSYCHOGRAPHICS

VISIBILITY

MOTIVATIONS

POSITIONING

PLATFORM

UNSDG GOALS

SUGGESTIVE SUSTAINABILITY

1 CONTEXTUAL
STORYTELLING

2 ENVIRONMENTAL
INTEGRATION

3 REPAIR & MAINT.
SCENES

4 SUSTAINABLE
MATERIALS

5 COLLABORATIVE
IMAGERY

6 ENERGY-EFFICIENT
ENVIRONMENTS

7 NATURAL LIGHT &
ECO SETTINGS

8 EVERYDAY
SUSTAINABILITY

9 GREEN SPACES
& LANDSCAPES

10 SUBTLE ECO-
FRIENDLY SYMBOLS

NARROWING DOWN



TOP 8 DESIGN CONCEPTS

1. LESS MATERIALS – NO SHEATH

2. ETHICAL SOURCING

3. MODULAR DESIGN

4. FIX IT – REPAIRED BY LEATHERMAN

5. CIRCULARITY COMMITMENT

6. MATERIAL ALTERNATIVES FOR SHEATH

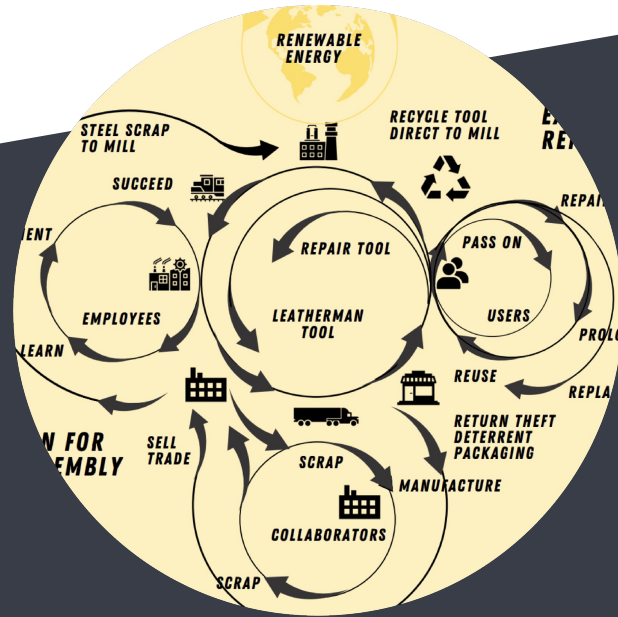
7. WOMEN/GENDER INCLUSIVITY

8. SUGGESTIVE SUSTAINABILITY

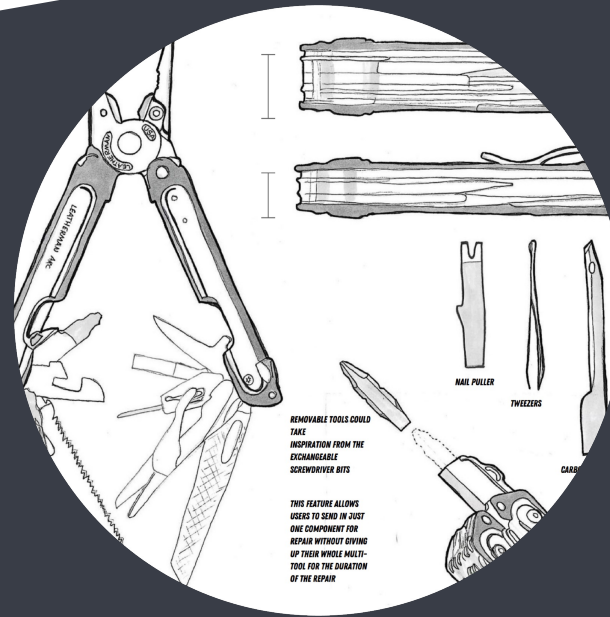
DECISION MATRIX

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
		WEIGHT	Less Materials - No Sheath	Ethical Sourcing	Material Alternatives - Sheath	Circular Design Commitment	Modular Design	Fix-It Campaign	Gender Inclusivity	Suggestive Sustainability	
Objectives / Metrics 1 - Significant negative impact / 2 - Some negative impact / 3 - No change from current product / 4 - Some positive improvement / 5 - Significant positive improvement											
DECISION MATRIX	Must last for 25 years > Must be durable, corrosion resistant, and hold an edge	Would the concept last for at least 25 years?	4	2.5 (x4) (less protection without sheath)	3 (x4)	3 (x4)	4.5 (x4)	4 (x4)	3 (x4)	3 (x4)	3 (x4)
	Must be functional, desirable and attractive	Would the concept detract from an 85% satisfaction rate of the product?	2	3 (x2)	3 (x2)	4 (x2)	4 (x2)	4.5 (x2)	3.5 (x2)	3.5 (x2)	3.5 (x2)
		Would the concept impact profit margins?									
	Encourage sustainable behavior change	Would the concept increase the number of tools repaired?	5	2.5 (x5) (slightly less likely to carry it on you?)	3.5 (x5) does encourage... but not directly related to our 2 metrics. Maybe a higher price point for an ethically sourced tool would encourage users to repair vs. re-buy	3.5 (x5) does encourage... but not directly related to our 2 metrics. Maybe a higher price point for an ethically sourced tool would encourage users to repair vs. re-buy	4.5 (x5)	4.5 (x5)	5 (x5)	5 (x5)	5 (x5)
		Would the concept increase the likelihood of consumers using their tool to repair other goods?									
	Market sustainability in an inclusive way	Would the concept detract from a 95% satisfaction rate of the brand?	3	3.5 (x3)	4 (x3) > Made in USA > Made responsibly > Worker's health	4 (x3) > Made responsibly > Environmental / ecosystem health	4 (x3)	4 (x3)	5 (x3)	5 (x5)	5 (x5)
	LCA Improvement	Would the concept have an enhanced LCA score from the unit's baseline: 45	1	4 (x1)	4 (x1)	3.5 (x1)	4.5 (x1)	3.5 (x1)	3 (x1)	3 (x1)	3 (x1)
TOTALS	BASELINE: 45		43	51.5	53	65	63	62	62	62	

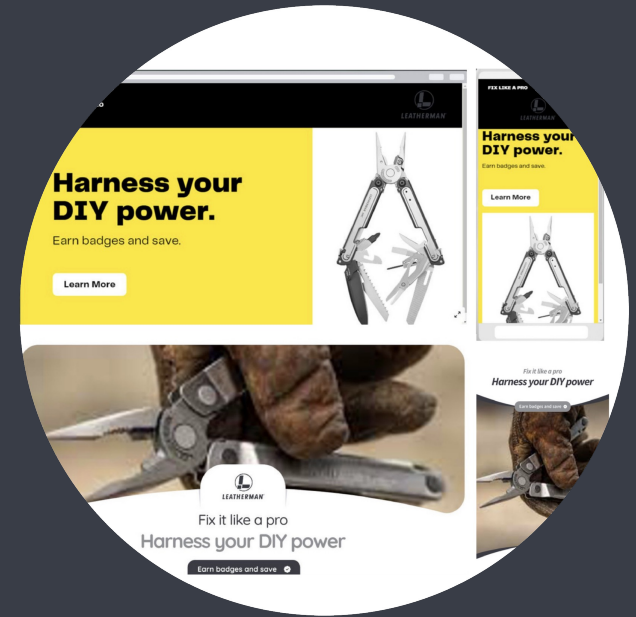
FINAL CONCEPTS



1. CIRCULARITY COMMITMENT



2. MODULAR DESIGN



3. EXTERNAL MARKETING CAMPAIGN

#1 – CIRCULARITY COMMITMENT

Circularity

Resources

Ellen MacArthur Foundation

- Methods → <https://www.circular.design/guide/methods>
- Circularity → <https://www.ellenmacarthurfoundation.org/resources/circularity/resources>
- Circular Business Design: A practical guide → <https://www2.pwc.com/au/consulting/Sustainability-EMF-BDC-2020-download.html?ga=2.239292259.1250902504.1611318585-978887778.1606939987>

[Sample] Circular Design Commitment

This is intended to serve as an example of what a Circular Design Commitment might look like for the Leatherman Product Design Team. To be most effective, each principle could be accompanied by specific time-bound goals to drive progress and measure success.

Introduction

At Leatherman, we recognize the crucial role we play in shaping a sustainable future. As innovators and creators, our Product Design Team is at the forefront of this journey. Through this Circular Design Commitment, we aim to integrate circular economy principles into our daily design practices, ensuring our products contribute positively to both our customers' experiences and the environment.

Guiding Principles

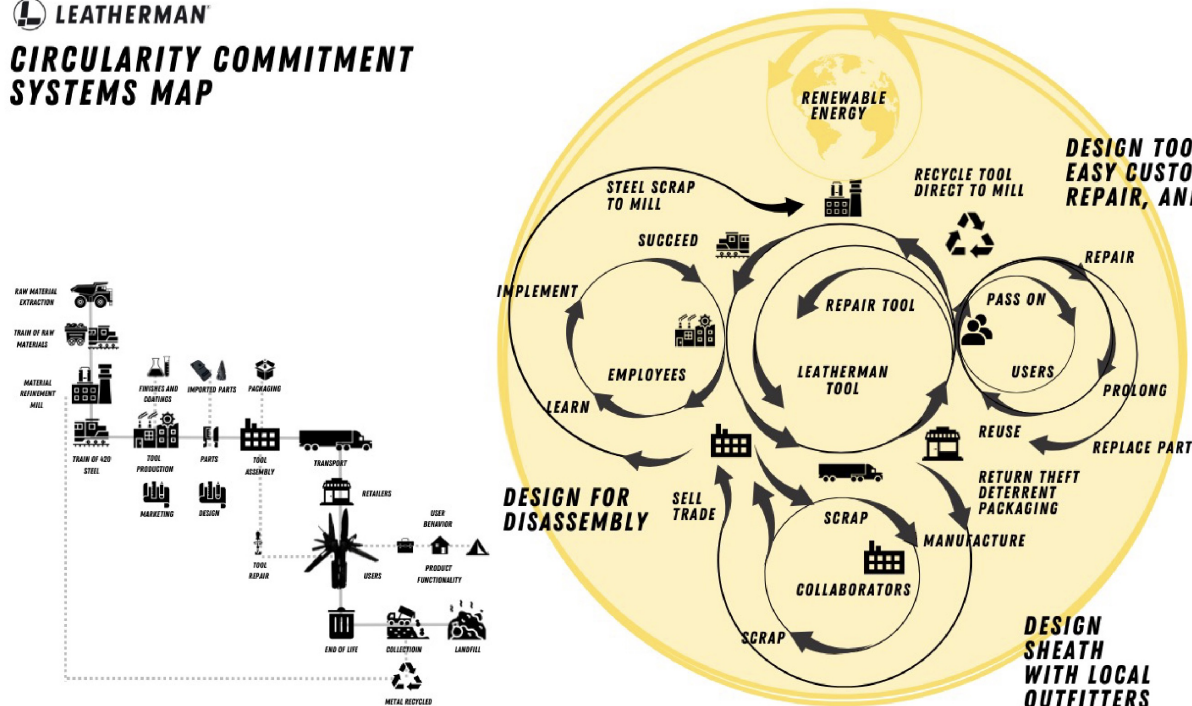
1. **Design for Durability:** Commit to creating multi-tools that withstand the test of time, focusing on quality, robustness, and longevity. Prioritize materials and construction methods that enhance the product lifespan.
2. **Modularity and Repairability:** Embrace modularity in design, allowing users to easily replace components and repair their multi-tools. Design products with disassembly in mind, ensuring straightforward access to components for repair purposes.
3. **Sustainable Material Selection:** Prioritize the use of responsibly sourced and recycled materials in our designs. Investigate and adopt materials with lower environmental impact, considering their entire lifecycle, from extraction to end-of-life.
4. **Closed-Loop Manufacturing:** Strive for a closed-loop manufacturing process where waste is minimized, and materials are reused or recycled within our production systems. Work towards circular material flows to reduce our ecological footprint.
5. **End-of-life Responsibility:** Develop strategies for the end-of-life phase of our products. Encourage users to return their multi-tools for responsible recycling. Explore take-back programs and initiatives to extend product life.

Operational Guidelines

1. **Cross-Functional Collaboration:** Foster collaboration with other departments, such as Marketing, Supply Chain, and Customer Support, to ensure a holistic approach to circular design. Promote knowledge sharing and cross-functional problem-solving.
2. **Life Cycle Assessments (LCAs):** Conduct comprehensive LCAs for our products, evaluating environmental impacts throughout their lifecycle. Utilize this data to inform design decisions and continuously improve our sustainability performance.
3. **Consumer Education:** Develop educational materials for customers, informing them about the reparability, recyclability, and sustainability features of our multi-tools. Empower users to make environmentally conscious choices.
4. **Supplier Engagement:** Collaborate with suppliers to ensure they align with our circular design commitment. Prioritize suppliers who share our values of sustainability, ethical practices, and innovation.
5. **Continuous Improvement:** Regularly review and update our circular design practices based on emerging technologies, materials, and best practices. Encourage a culture of continuous improvement and innovation within the Product Design Team.

By adhering to these principles and guidelines, we, the Leatherman Product Design Team, pledge to lead the way in circular design excellence. Through our commitment, we seek not only to create exceptional multi-tools, but also to contribute positively to the planet and inspire a more sustainable future.

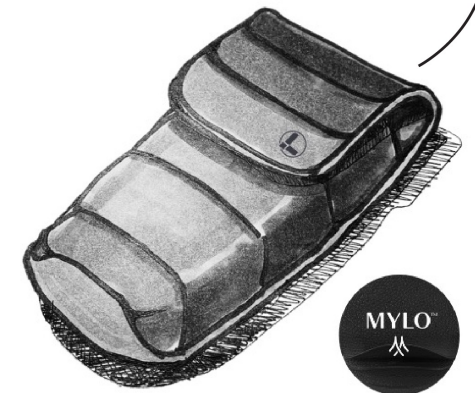
LEATHERMAN CIRCULARITY COMMITMENT SYSTEMS MAP



EXISTING SYSTEMS MAP



DESIGN TOOL FOR
EASY CUSTOM MODIFICATION,
REPAIR, AND RECYCLING



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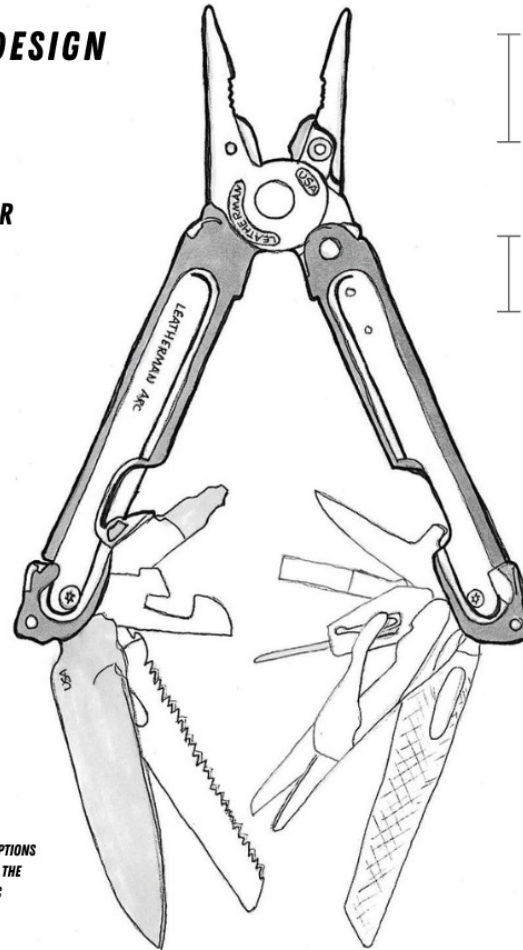
COLLABORATIVE SHEATH
DESIGN FROM SCRAPS

#2 – MODULAR TOOL

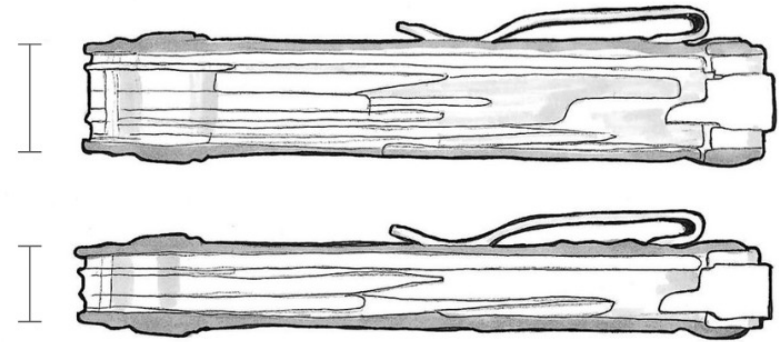
LEATHERMAN[®] MODULAR TOOL DESIGN ILLUSTRATION

THE FRAME OF THE BODY
COULD COME IN SET SIZES FOR
EASE OF MANUFACTURING
SUCH AS A 8-TOOL, 14-TOOL,
AND 20-TOOL OPTION

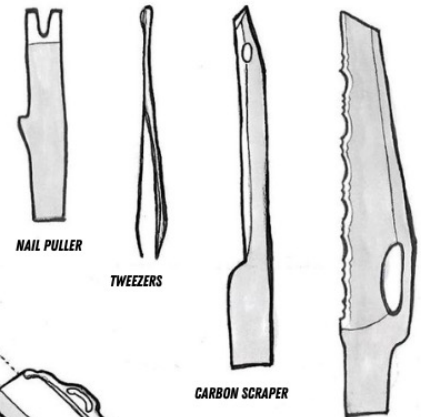
USERS COULD THEN
SELECT WHICH TOOLS
THEY WANT TO BE
INCLUDED



CURRENT TOOL OPTIONS
THAT COME WITH THE
LEATHERMAN ARC



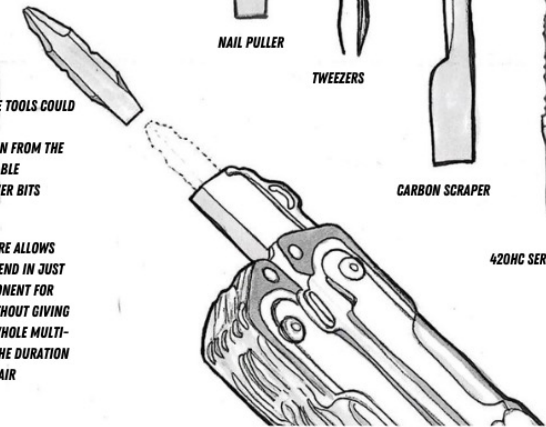
ELIMINATING
UNDESIRE TOOLS,
ALSO REDUCES
WEIGHT AND
MATERIAL USAGE



ADDITIONAL
TOOL OPTIONS
FROM OTHER
LEATHERMAN
PRODUCTS

REMOVABLE TOOLS COULD
TAKE
INSPIRATION FROM THE
EXCHANGEABLE
SCREWDRIVER BITS

THIS FEATURE ALLOWS
USERS TO SEND IN JUST
ONE COMPONENT FOR
REPAIR WITHOUT GIVING
UP THEIR WHOLE MULTI-
TOOL FOR THE DURATION
OF THE REPAIR



420HC SERRATED KNIFE

#3 – MARKETING CAMPAIGN

SUGGESTIVE SUSTAINABILITY



SUGGESTIVE SUSTAINABILITY

BY SUPPORTING AND CULTIVATING EXISTING SUSTAINABLE BEHAVIOR THAT THE TOOL POSSESS, THEY CAN AVOID ALIENATING PEOPLE THAT DO NOT AGREE WITH SUSTAINABLE GOALS. BY FOCUSING THE MESSAGING ON REPAIR, REUSE, AND DURABILITY, THE COMPANY CAN EMBODY SUSTAINABILITY, WITHOUT SAYING IT.



EXAMPLES OF DISCRETE CERTIFICATION LOGOS USING NEUTRAL COLORS



EXAMPLE OF SUGGESTIVE ICONOGRAPHY IN SUBTLE CHANGES TO THEIR EXISTING LOGO, SYMBOLIZING CIRCULARITY



USING PHOTOGRAPHY THAT SUPPORTS SUSTAINABLE BEHAVIOR WITHOUT MAKING SUSTAINABILITY CLAIMS

#3 – MARKETING CAMPAIGN

FIX-IT WITH LEATHERMAN

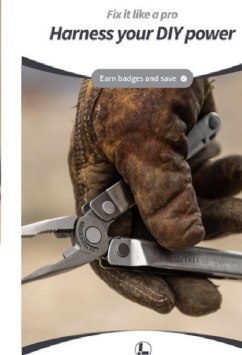
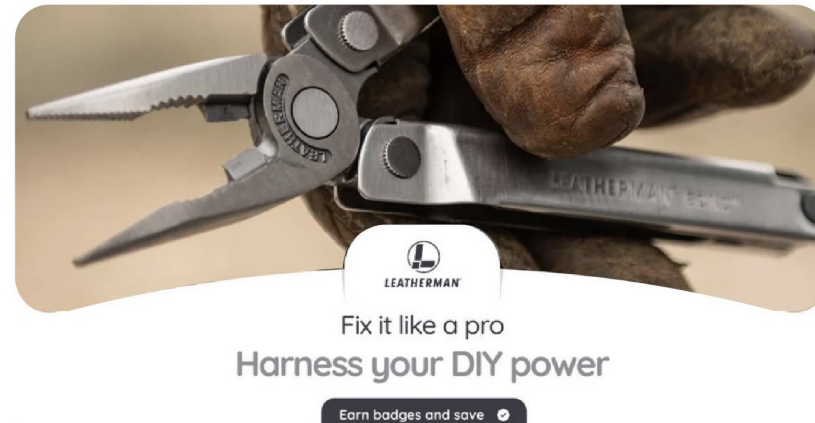
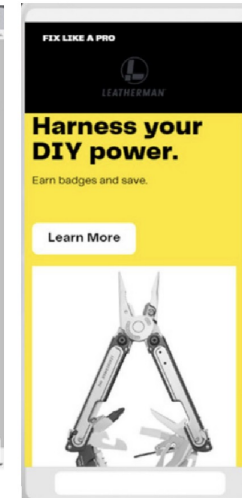
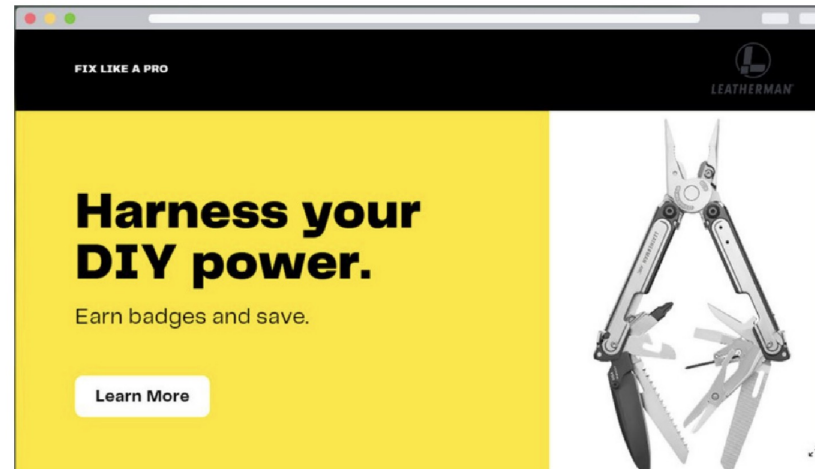
LEATHERMAN[®] FIX-IT CAMPAIGN ONLINE FORUM

ONLINE PORTAL

THE CORNERSTONE OF THIS CAMPAIGN IS THE "REPAIRED WITH LEATHERMAN" ONLINE PORTAL, WHICH EMPOWERS USERS TO DOCUMENT AND SHARE THEIR SUCCESSFUL REPAIRS OF HOUSEHOLD, WORK, AND OUTDOOR ITEMS USING LEATHERMAN TOOLS. BY ENCOURAGING FRIENDLY COMPETITION, POINT SYSTEMS, AND THE EXCHANGE OF TIPS AND ADVICE, THIS PLATFORM NOT ONLY REINFORCES THE UTILITY OF LEATHERMAN PRODUCTS BUT ALSO NURTURES A COMMUNITY OF LIKE-MINDED ENTHUSIASTS.

BLOG AND SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

COMPLEMENTING THIS ONLINE PORTAL IS A DEDICATED BLOG AND SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN, ALLOWING THE "REPAIRED BY LEATHERMAN" NETWORK TO SHOWCASE THEIR SUCCESSFUL REPAIR PROJECTS. FURTHERMORE, THIS BLOG AND SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS SERVES AS AN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE, TEACHING USERS HOW TO TACKLE VARIOUS REPAIR CHALLENGES USING THEIR LEATHERMAN TOOLS. IT POSITIONS LEATHERMAN AS MORE THAN JUST A BRAND BUT AS A VALUABLE PARTNER IN THEIR CUSTOMERS' DIY ENDEAVORS.



THIS CAMPAIGN SHOWCASES THE PERSUASIVE POWER OF MEDIA AND SOCIAL ACTORS, REINFORCING LEATHERMAN'S IMAGE AS A BRAND THAT NOT ONLY PROVIDES TOP-NOTCH TOOLS BUT ALSO PROMOTES A CULTURE OF SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.

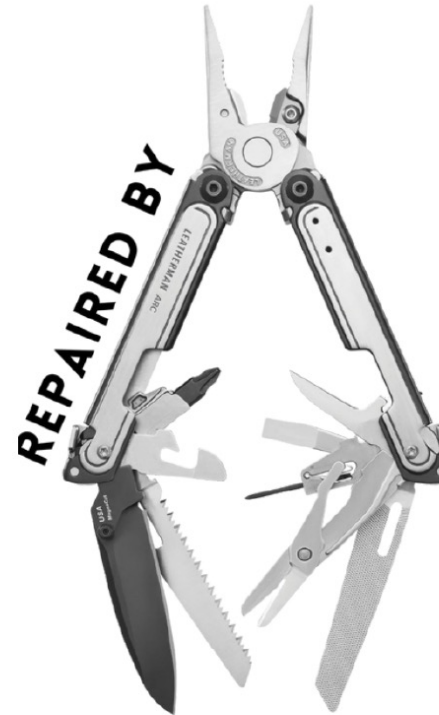
#3 – MARKETING CAMPAIGN

FIX-IT WITH LEATHERMAN

 LEATHERMAN™
FIX-IT CAMPAIGN

REPAIRED BY LEATHERMAN STICKERS!!!

TO SOLIDIFY THE EMOTIONAL CONNECTION BETWEEN USERS AND LEATHERMAN, THE CONCEPT INTRODUCES “REPAIRED BY LEATHERMAN” STICKERS, A TACTILE REPRESENTATION OF ACCOMPLISHMENT. THESE STICKERS, INCLUDED WITH THE MULTITOOL, CAN BE PROUDLY AFFIXED TO ITEMS THAT USERS HAVE SUCCESSFULLY REPAIRED WITH THEIR LEATHERMAN TOOL. THIS NOT ONLY SERVES AS A SUBTLE ENDORSEMENT OF THE BRAND BUT ALSO SPREADS THE MESSAGE OF SUSTAINABILITY AND SELF-RELIANCE IN AN ORGANIC AND PERSUASIVE MANNER. *ALL STICKERS WOULD BE MADE OUT OF OCEAN PLASTIC.



#3 – MARKETING CAMPAIGN

WOMEN & GENDER INCLUSIVITY

 LEATHERMAN
**FIX-IT CAMPAIGN
ONLINE FORUM**

WOMEN AND GENDER INCLUSIVITY

JOIN THE REVOLUTION! LEATHERMAN MULTITOOL ISN'T JUST FOR THE OUTDOORSY GUYS; IT'S A VERSATILE COMPANION FOR THE BOLD AND BADASS GIRLS WHO ROCK. EMBRACE THE TRUE SPIRIT OF EMPOWERMENT.

KEY MESSAGING

- **LEATHERMAN MULTITOOL IS A TOOL FOR EVERYONE, BREAKING STEREOTYPES AND EMPOWERING GIRLS WHO ROCK.**
- **MUSIC AND CRAFTSWOMANSHIP GO HAND IN HAND, AND LEATHERMAN IS THERE TO SUPPORT EVERY CHORD AND EVERY FIX.**
- **ENCOURAGE SELF-EXPRESSION, CREATIVITY, AND INDEPENDENCE THROUGH THE #ROCKANDTOOLCHALLENGE**

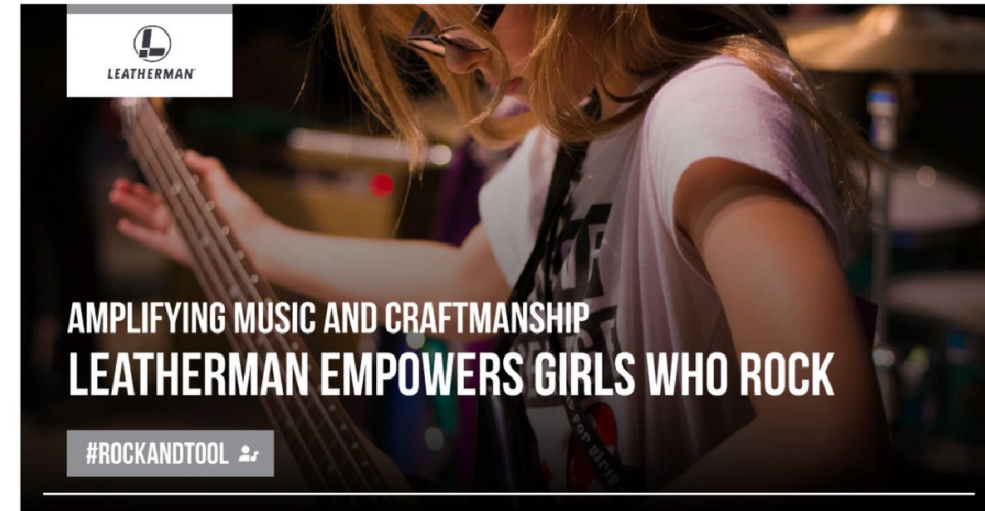


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THANK YOU!

