

Mobile Application Development

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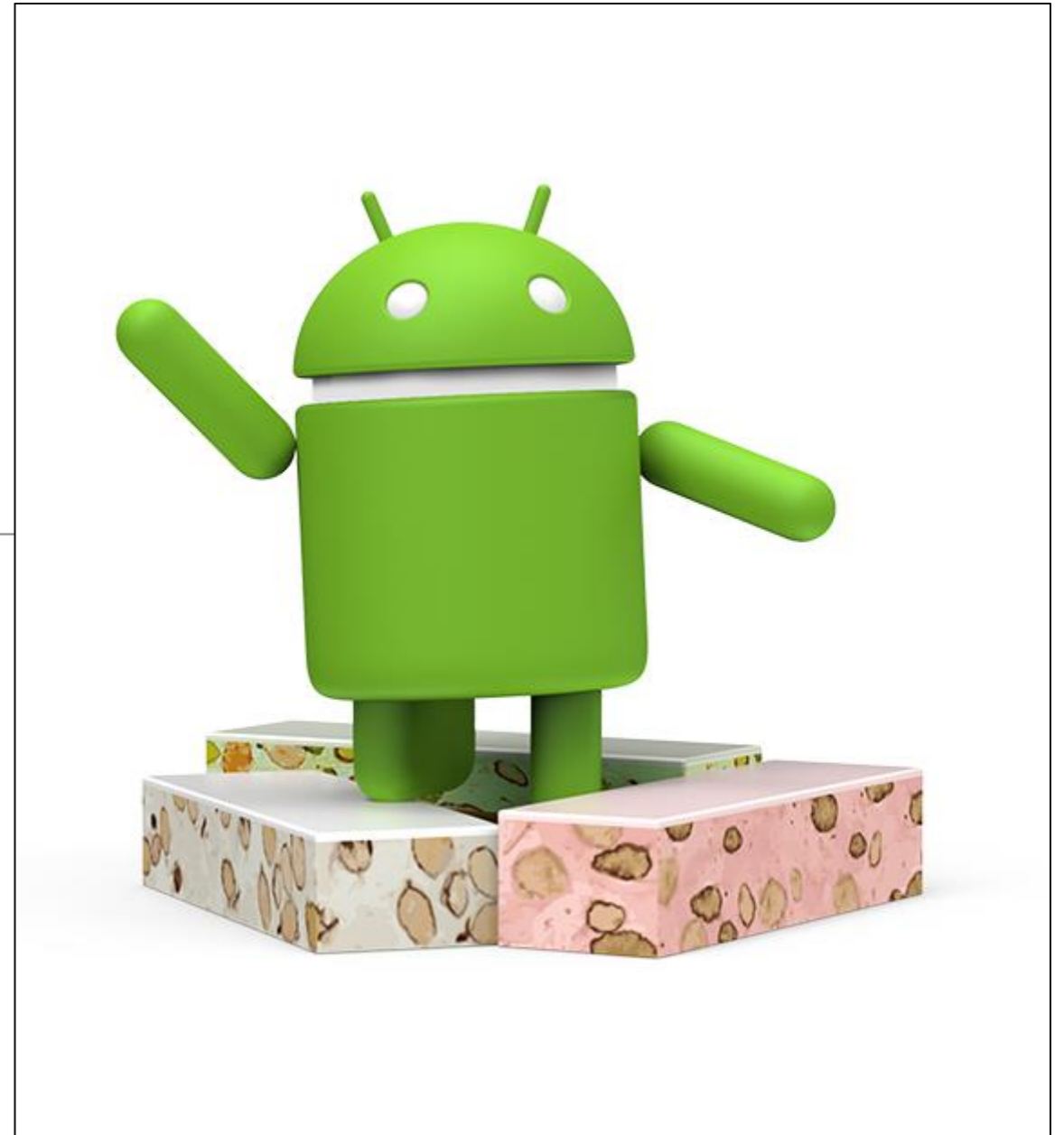
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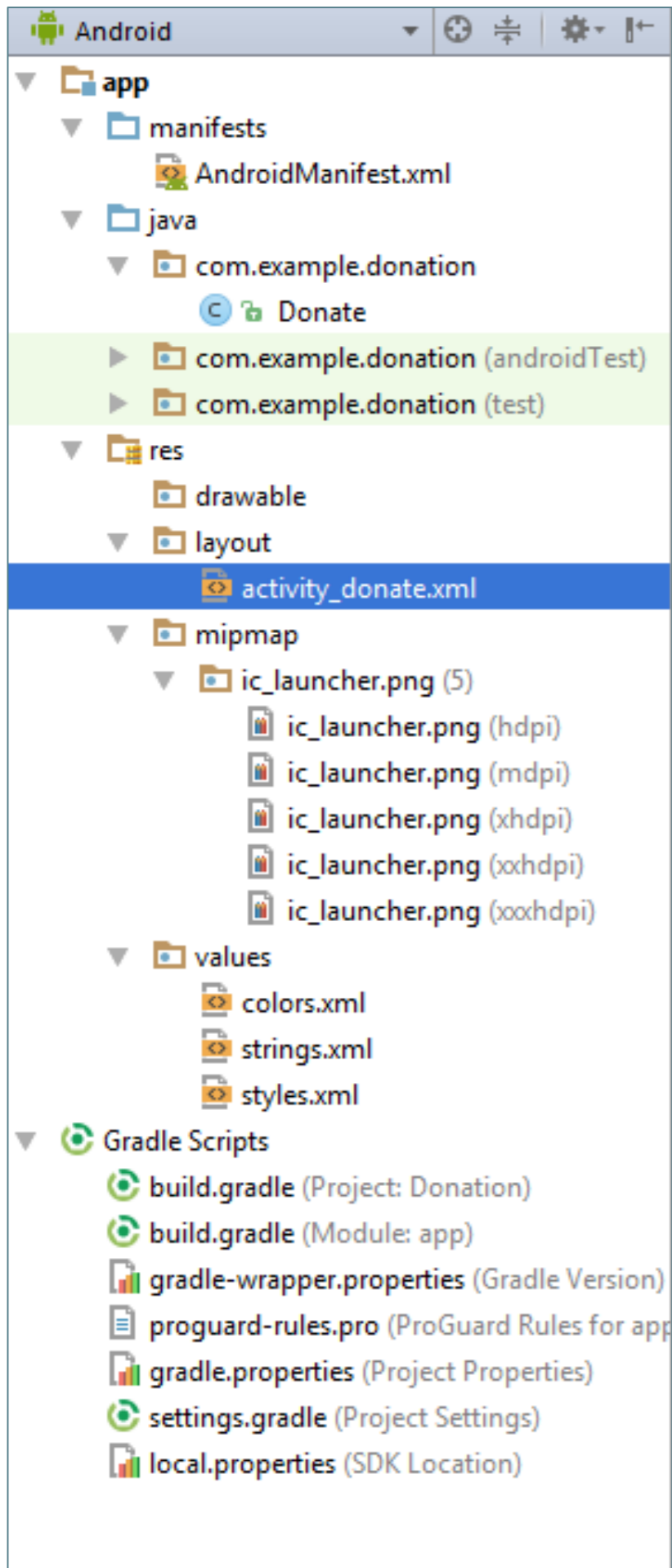


A First Android Application

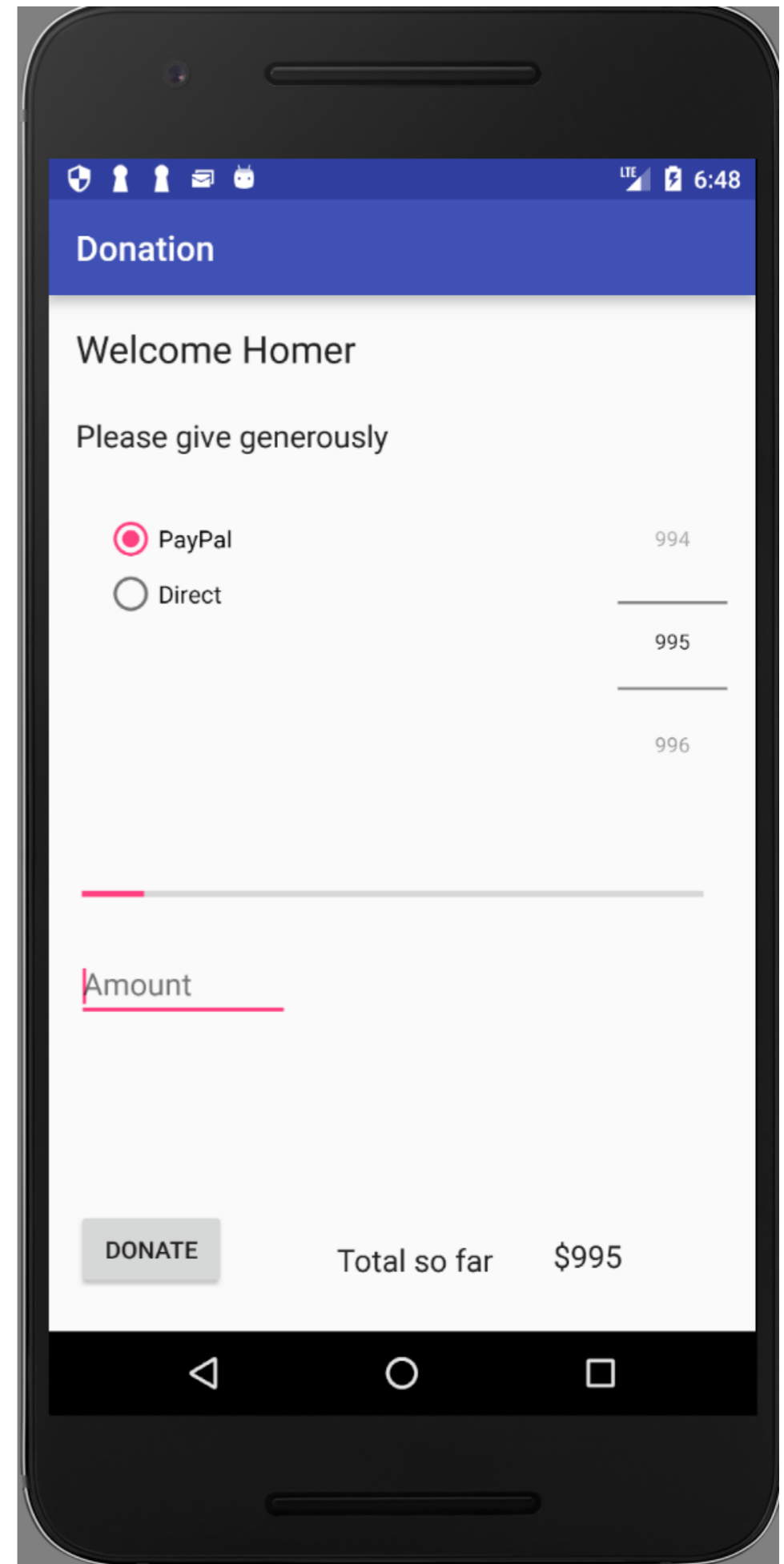
Donation 1.0

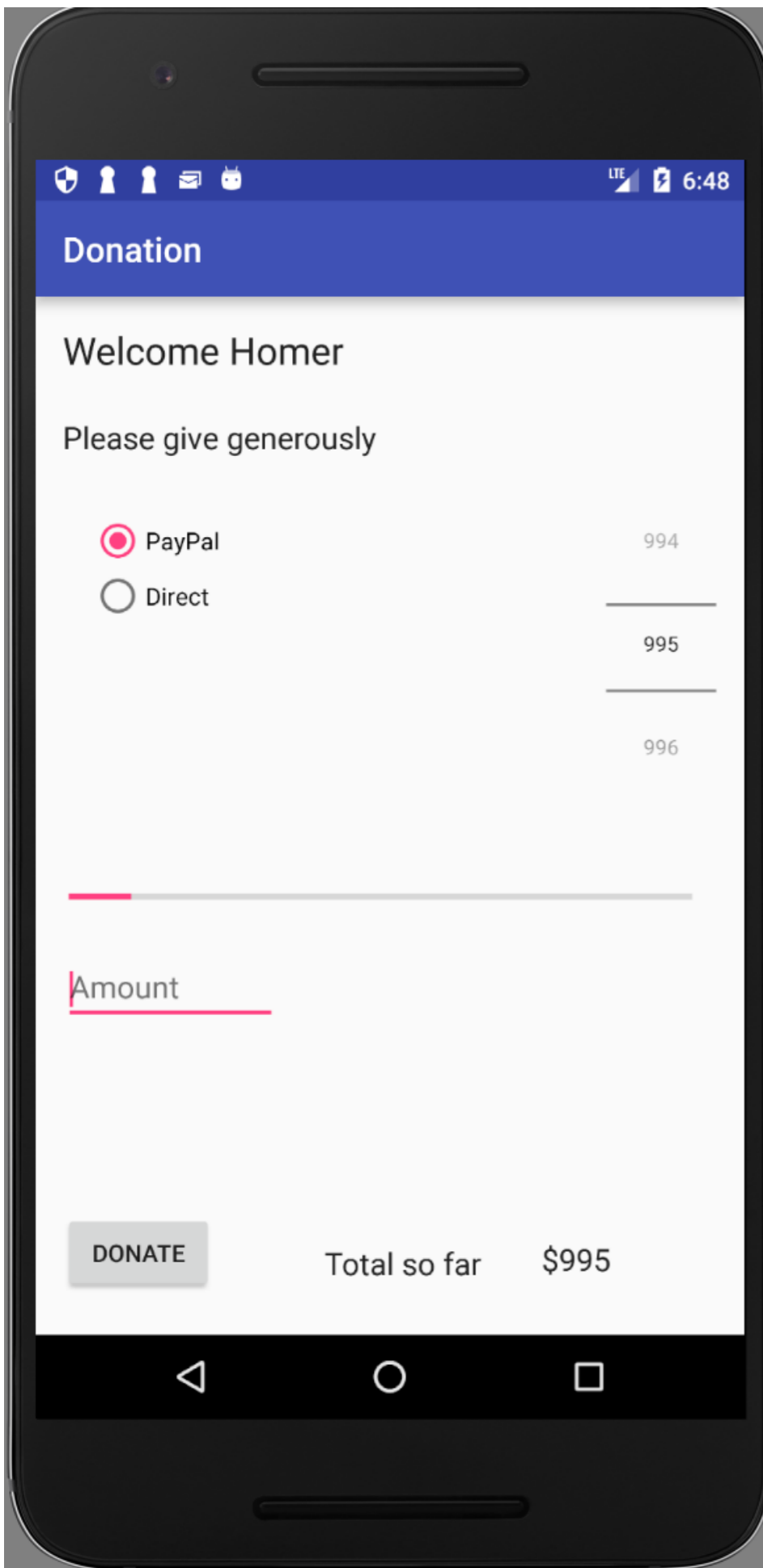
A single activity and layout app.





Donation V1 - a simple activity class and the associated layout.





```

public class Donate extends AppCompatActivity {

    private int        totalDonated = 0;
    private int        target = 10000;
    private RadioGroup paymentMethod;
    private ProgressBar progressBar;
    private NumberPicker amountPicker;
    private EditText   amountText;
    private TextView   amountTotal;

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_donate);

        paymentMethod = (RadioGroup) findViewById(R.id.paymentMethod);
        progressBar   = (ProgressBar) findViewById(R.id.progressBar);
        amountPicker   = (NumberPicker) findViewById(R.id.amountPicker);
        amountTotal    = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.amountTotal);
        amountText     = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.amountText);
        amountPicker.setMinValue(0);
        amountPicker.setMaxValue(1000);
        progressBar.setMax(target);
    }

    public void donateButtonPressed (View view){
        String method = paymentMethod.getCheckedRadioButtonId()
            == R.id.payPal ? "PayPal" : "Direct";

        int donatedAmount = amountPicker.getValue();
        if (donatedAmount == 0) {
            String text = amountText.getText().toString();
            if (!text.equals(""))
                donatedAmount = Integer.parseInt(text);
        }

        if (totalDonated > target) {
            Toast toast = Toast.makeText(this, "Target Exceeded!", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT);
            toast.show();
            Log.v("Donate", "Target Exceeded: " + totalDonated);
        }
        else {
            totalDonated = totalDonated + donatedAmount;
            progressBar.setProgress(totalDonated);
            Log.v("Donate", amountPicker.getValue() + " donated by " + method
                + "\nCurrent total " + totalDonated);
        }

        String totalDonatedStr = "$" + totalDonated;
        amountTotal.setText(totalDonatedStr);
    }
}

```

Listeners: Donate button - event handler

activity_donate.xml

```
<Button
    android:id="@+id/donateButton"
    android:layout_width="88dp"
    android:layout_height="48dp"
    android:layout_marginBottom="24dp"
    android:text="@string/donateButton"
    app:layout_constraintBottom_toBottomOf="parent"
    android:onClick="donateButtonPressed"
    android:layout_marginLeft="16dp"
    app:layout_constraintLeft_toLeftOf="parent" />
```

```
public class Donate extends AppCompatActivity {
    private int totalDonated = 0;
    private int target = 10000;

    private RadioGroup paymentMethod;
    private ProgressBar progressBar;
    private NumberPicker amountPicker;
    private EditText amountText;
    private TextView amountTotal;

    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        //code omitted
    }

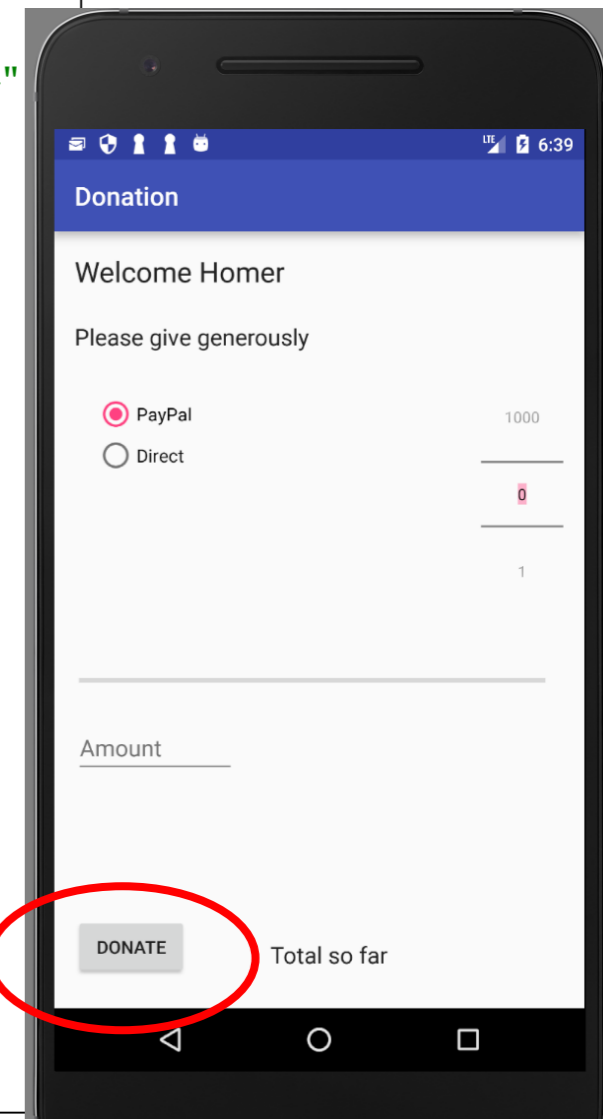
    public void donateButtonPressed (View view){
        String method = paymentMethod.getCheckedRadioButtonId() == R.id.payPal ? "PayPal" : "Direct"

        int donatedAmount = amountPicker.getValue();
        if (donatedAmount == 0) {
            String text = amountText.getText().toString();
            if (!text.equals(""))
                donatedAmount = Integer.parseInt(text);
        }

        if (totalDonated > target) {
            Toast toast = Toast.makeText(this, "Target Exceeded!", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT);
            toast.show();
            Log.v("Donate", "Target Exceeded: " + totalDonated);
        }
        else {
            totalDonated = totalDonated + donatedAmount;
            progressBar.setProgress(totalDonated);
            Log.v("Donate", amountPicker.getValue() + " donated by " + method
                + "\nCurrent total " + totalDonated);
        }

        String totalDonatedStr = "$" + totalDonated;
        amountTotal.setText(totalDonatedStr);
    }
}
```

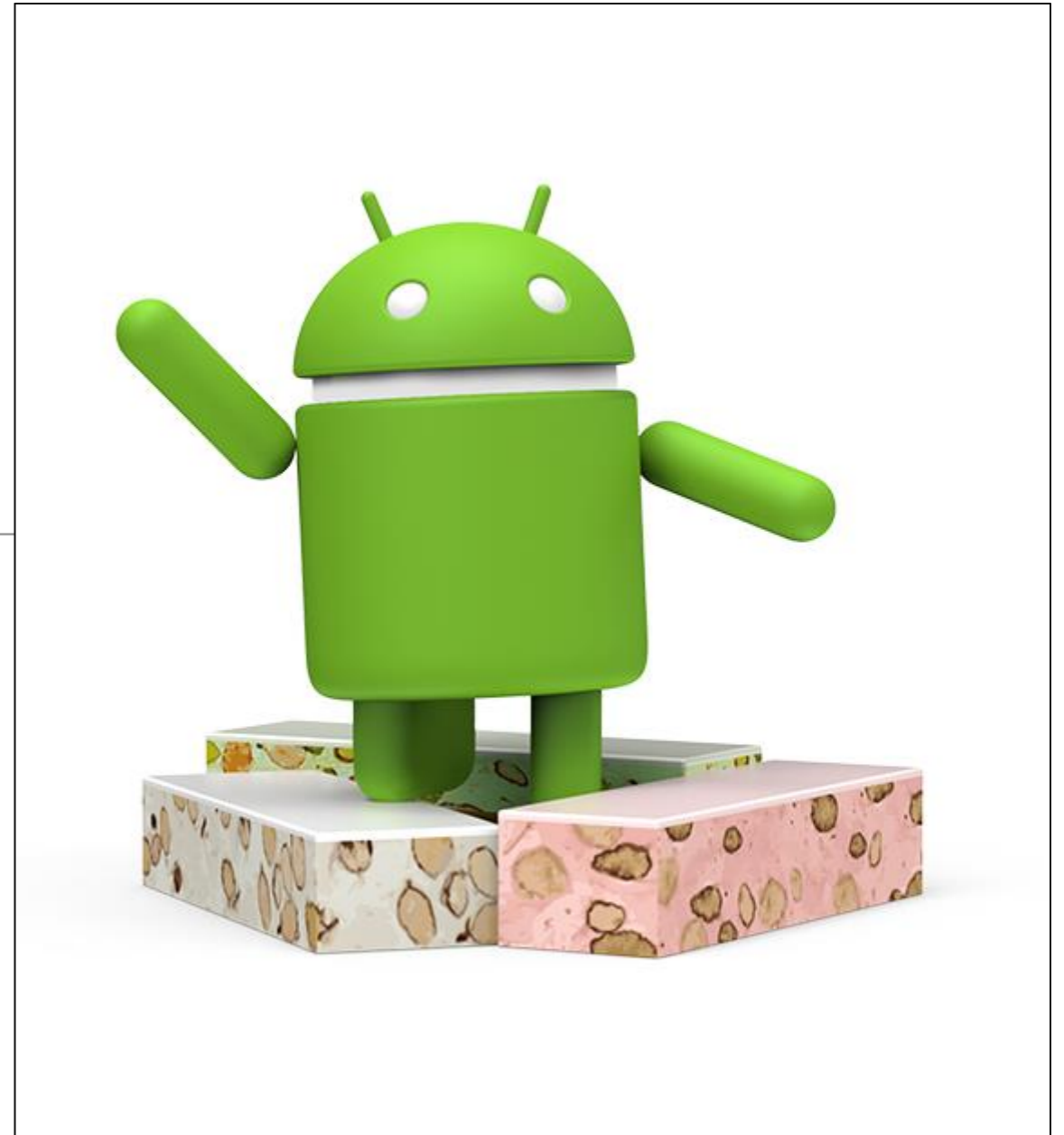
Donate.java



A First Android Application

Donation 2.0

A second activity to display the list of donation made by the user and our first Model class to store these donations.

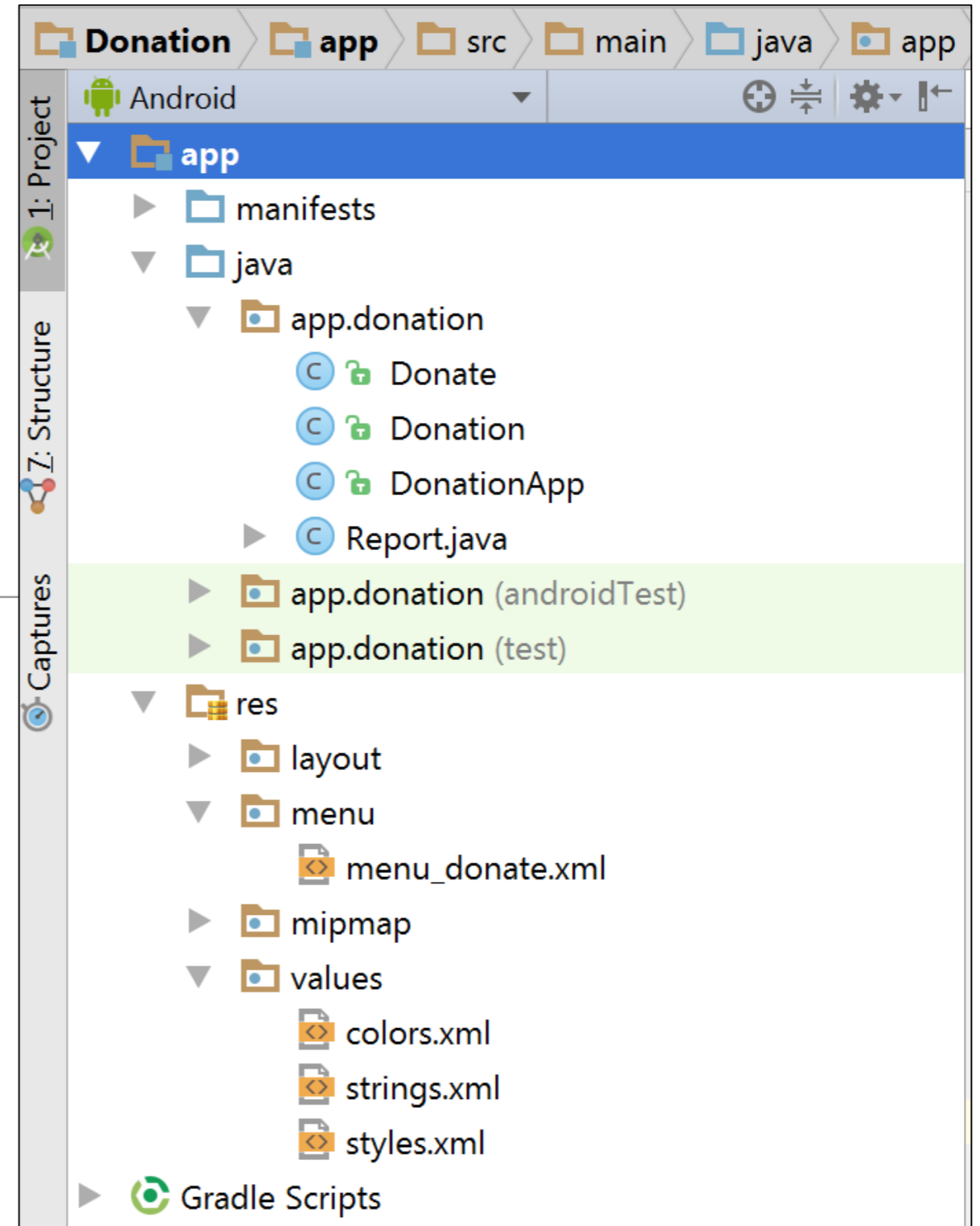


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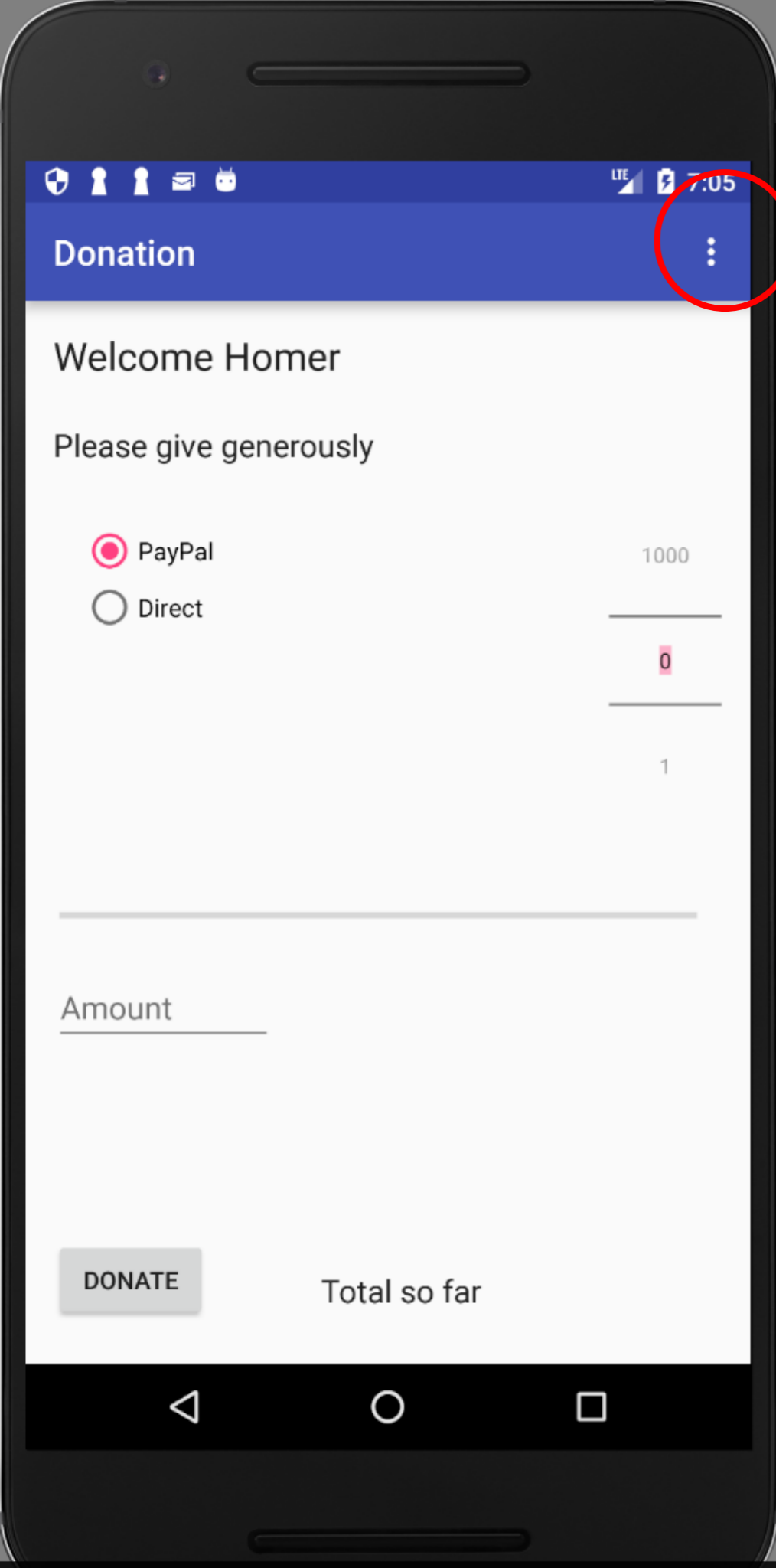
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to

app.donation

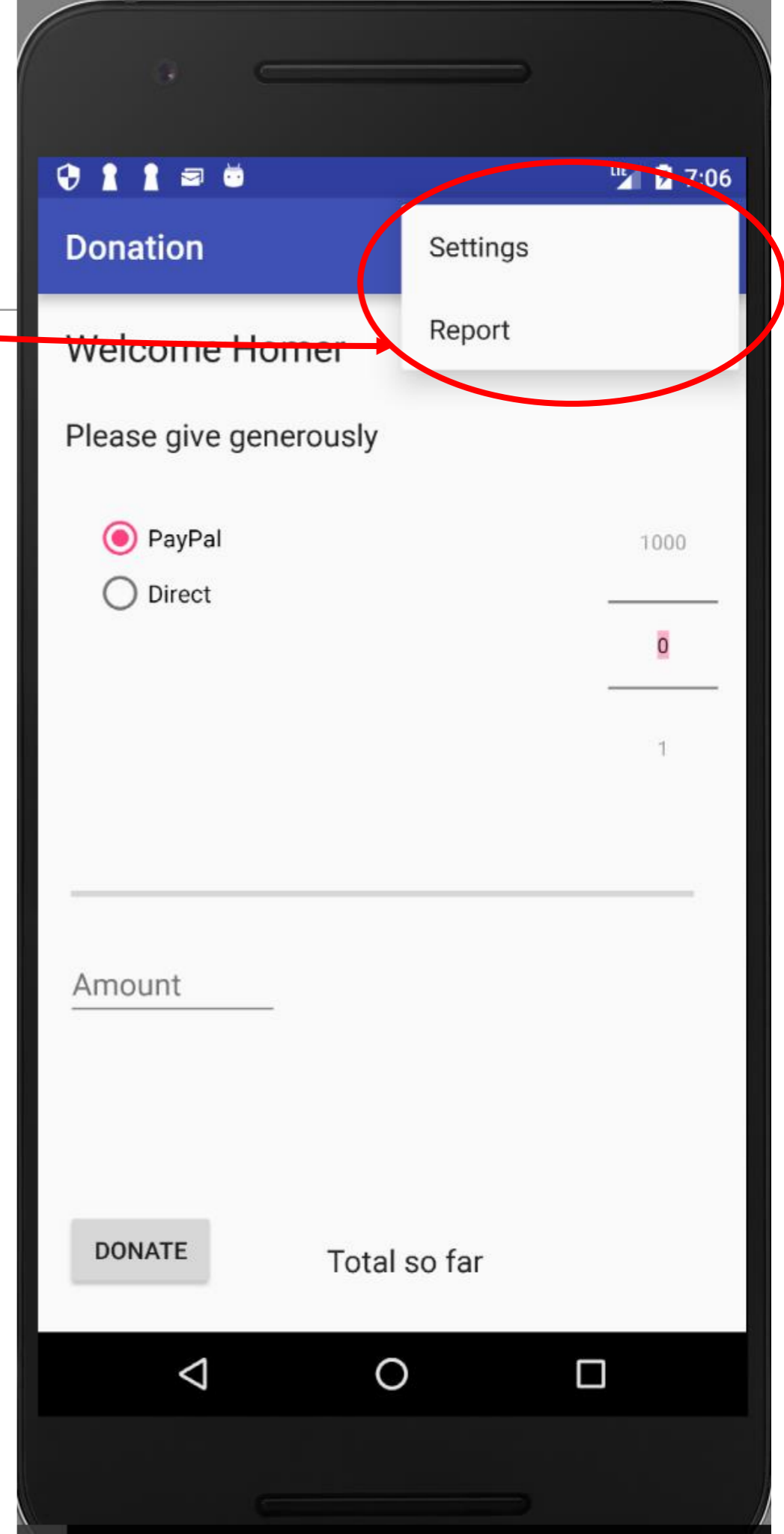


Menus



Menus

Pressing the 'overflow' icon on the action bar brings up a menu with two entries.



Menu Specification

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<menu xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">

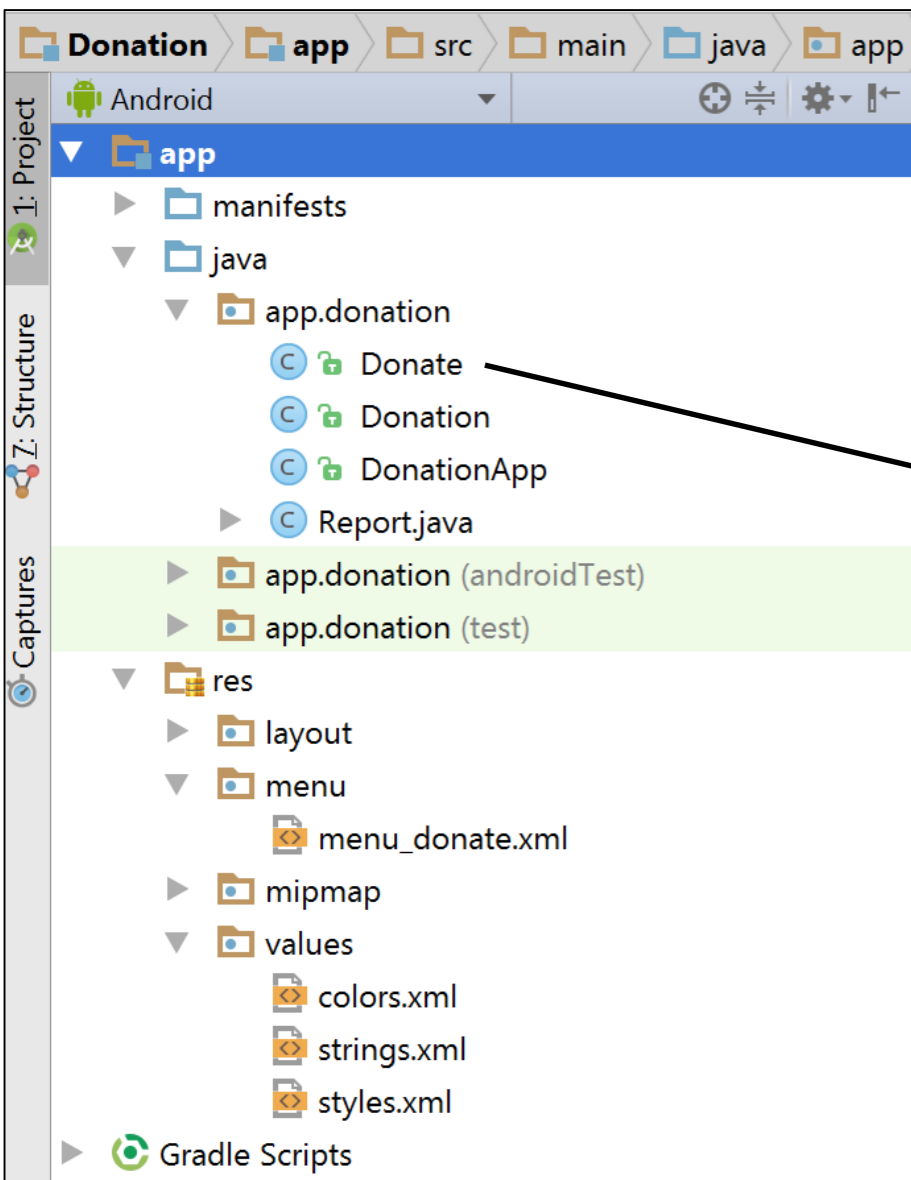
    <item android:id="@+id/menuSettings"
          android:title="@string/menuSettings"
          android:orderInCategory="100" />

    <item android:id="@+id/menuReport"
          android:title="@string/menuReport"
          android:orderInCategory="100" />

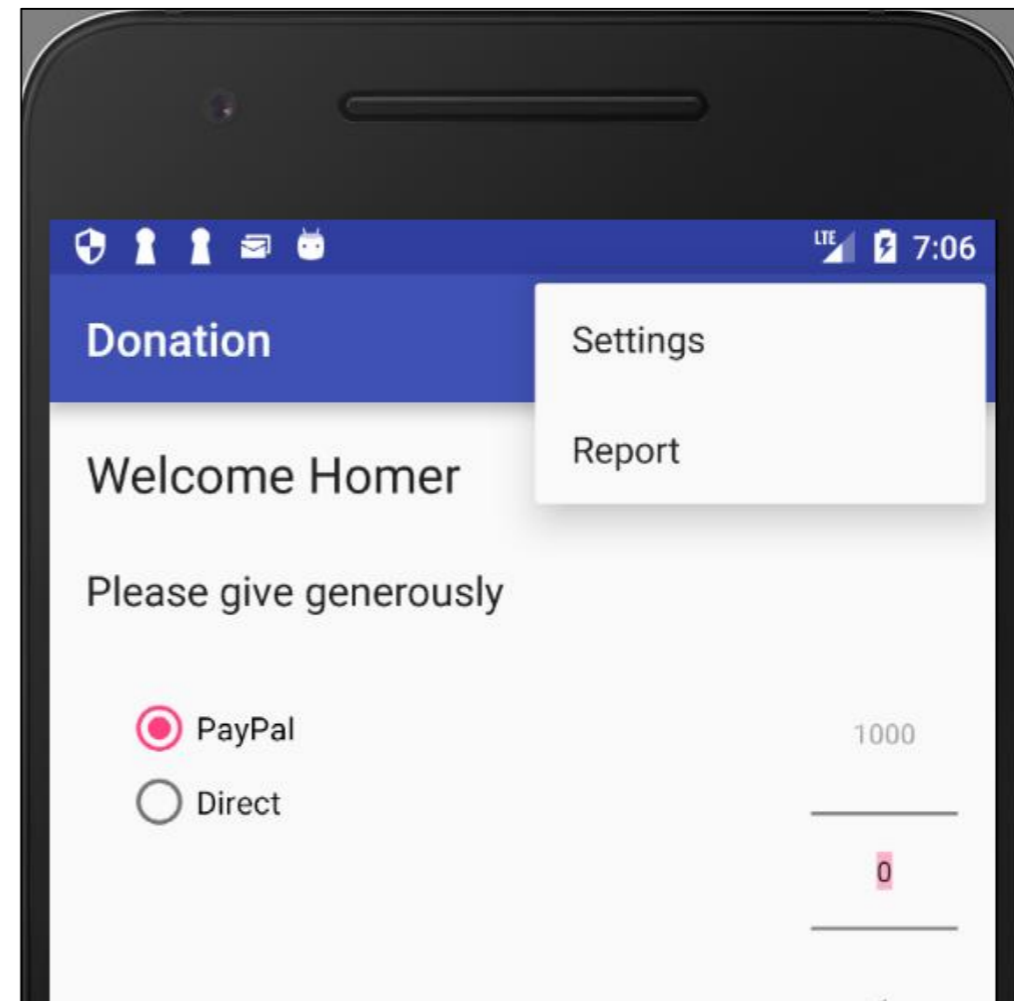
</menu>
```

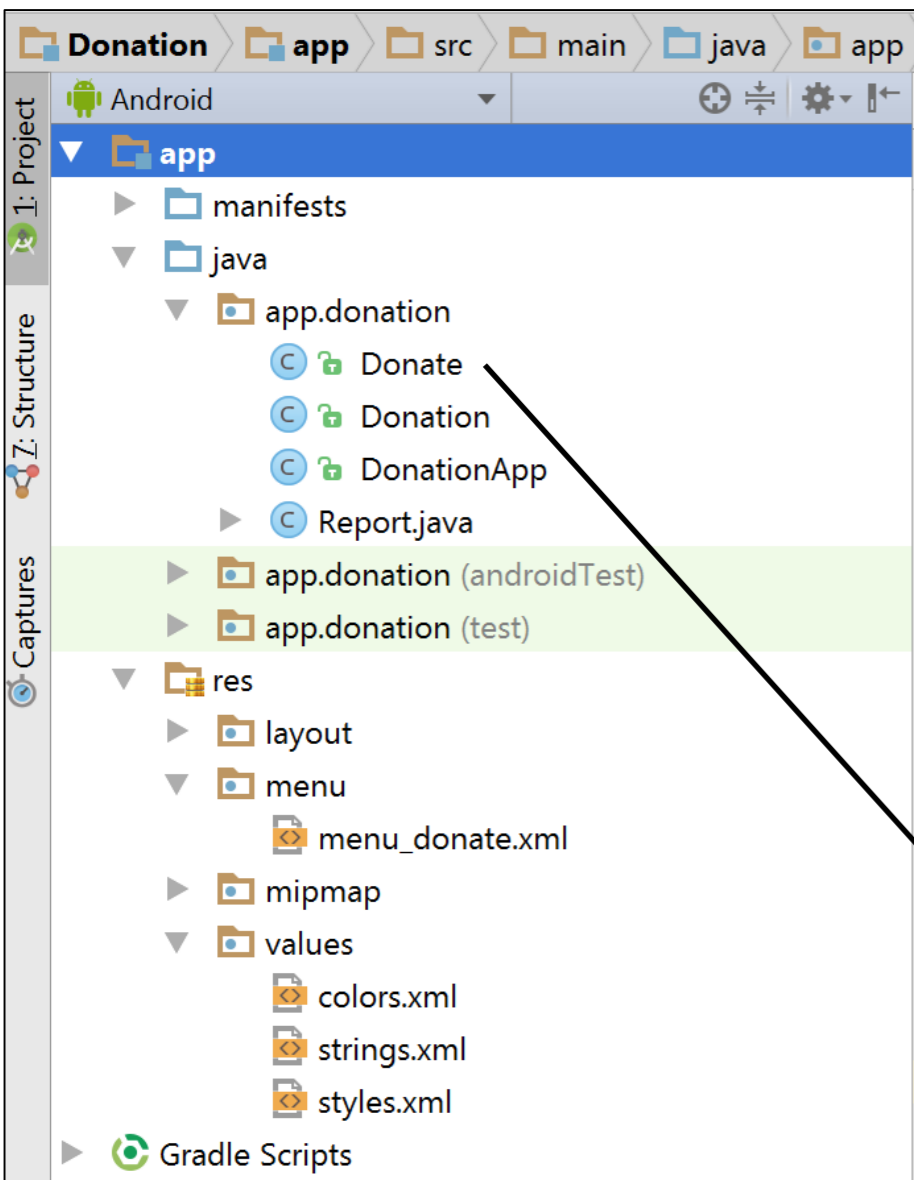
```
<resources>
    <string name="app_name">Donation</string>
    <string name="donateTitle">Welcome Homer</string>
    <string name="donateSubtitle">Please give generously</string>
    <string name="donateButton">Donate</string>
    <string name="PayPal">PayPal</string>
    <string name="Direct">Direct</string>
    <string name="Amount">Amount</string>
    <string name="TotalSoFar">Total so far</string>
    <string name="menuSettings">Settings</string>
    <string name="menuReport">Report</string>
    <string name="reportTitle">Report</string>
    <string name="defaultAmount">00</string>
    <string name="defaultMethod">N/A</string>
</resources>
```

Menu Load

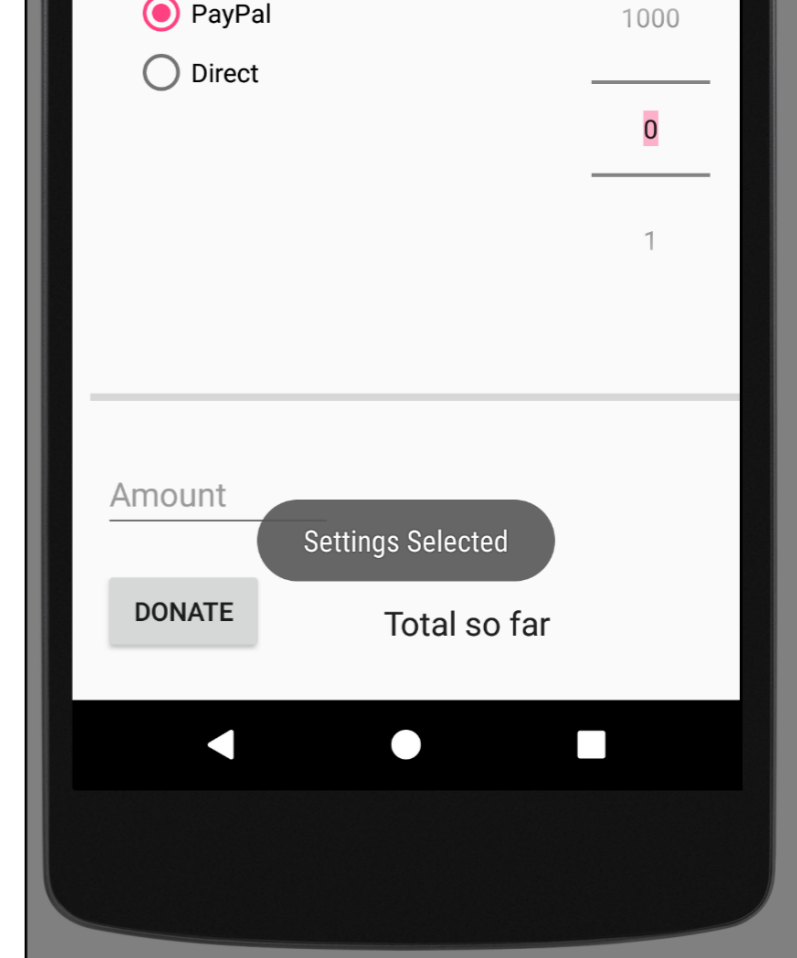


```
public class Donate extends AppCompatActivity {  
  
    //...  
  
    @Override  
    public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {  
        // Inflate the menu items for use in the action bar  
        MenuInflater inflater = getMenuInflater();  
        inflater.inflate(R.menu.menu_donate, menu);  
        return super.onCreateOptionsMenu(menu);  
    }  
  
    //...
```





Display 'Toast' for a few seconds



Menu Event Handler

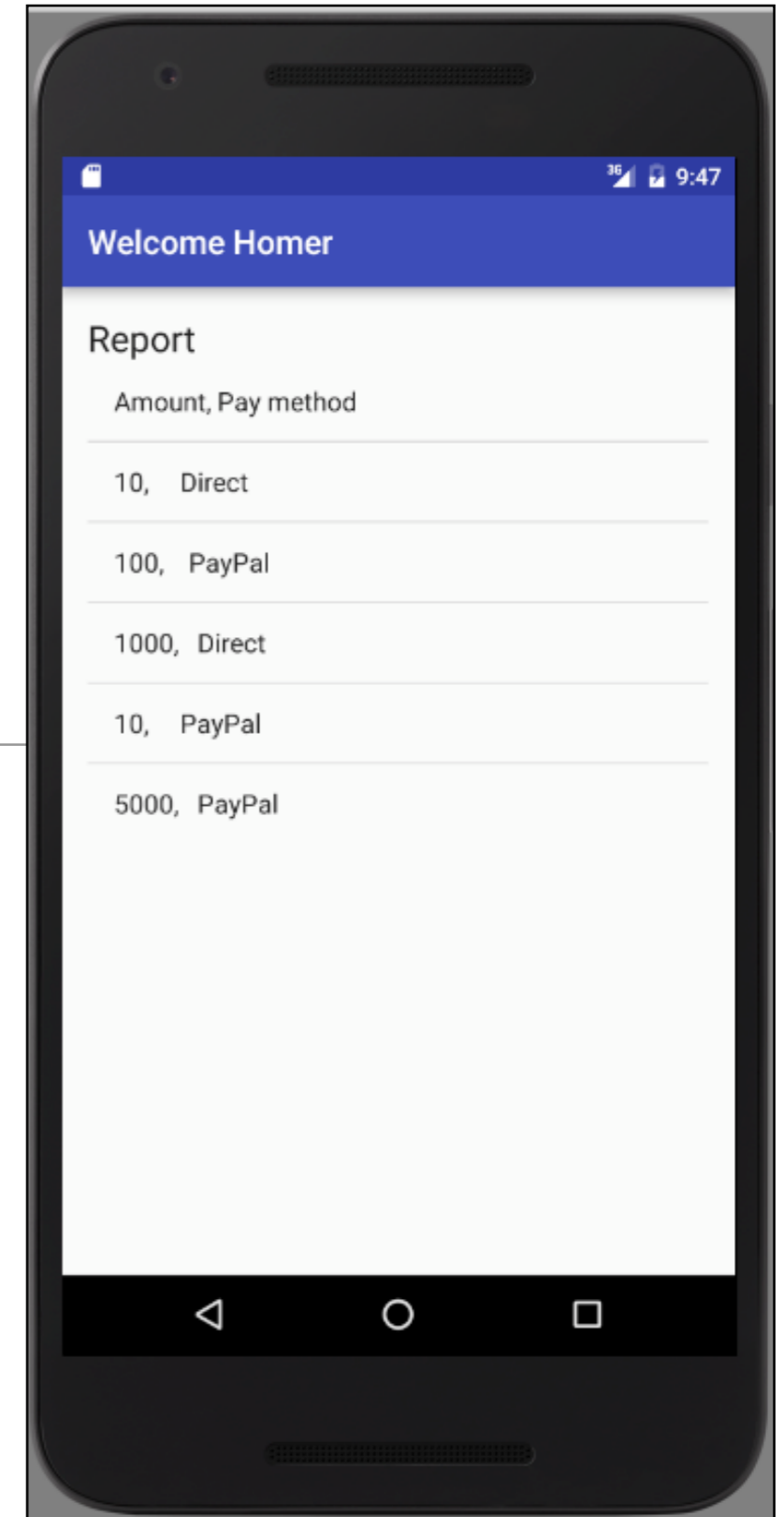
```

public class Donate extends AppCompatActivity {
//...
@Override
public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
    switch (item.getItemId()) {
        case R.id.menuReport:
            Toast.makeText(this, "Report Selected", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
        case R.id.menuSettings:
            Toast.makeText(this, "Settings Selected", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
            break;
    }
    return true;
}
//...

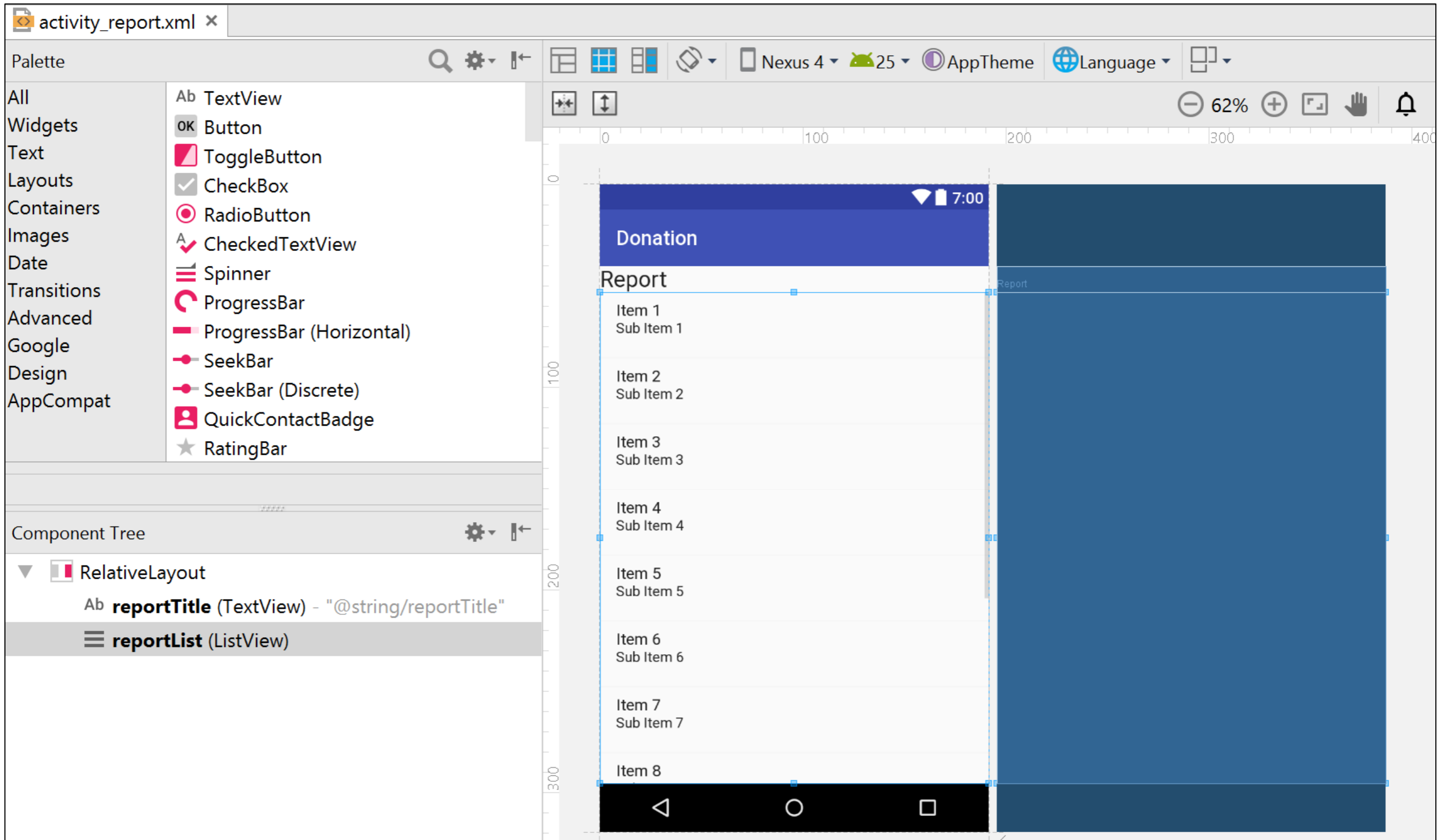
```

New Report Activity – First Draft

...to display a list of hard coded data



Design for the New Report activity



```

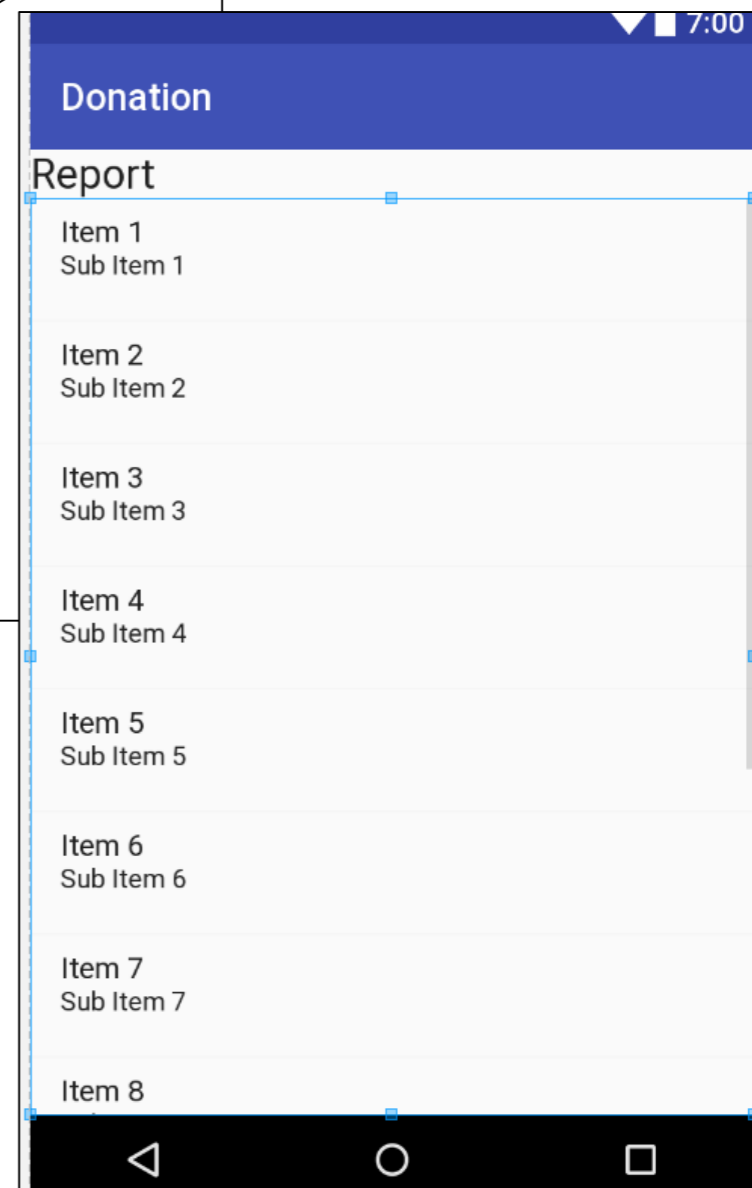
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent">

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/reportTitle"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_alignParentStart="true"
        android:layout_alignParentEnd="true"
        android:layout_alignParentTop="true"
        android:text="@string/reportTitle"
        android:textAppearance="?android:attr/textAppearanceLarge" />

    <ListView
        android:id="@+id/reportList"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_alignStart="@+id/reportTitle"
        android:layout_below="@+id/reportTitle" >
    </ListView>
</RelativeLayout>

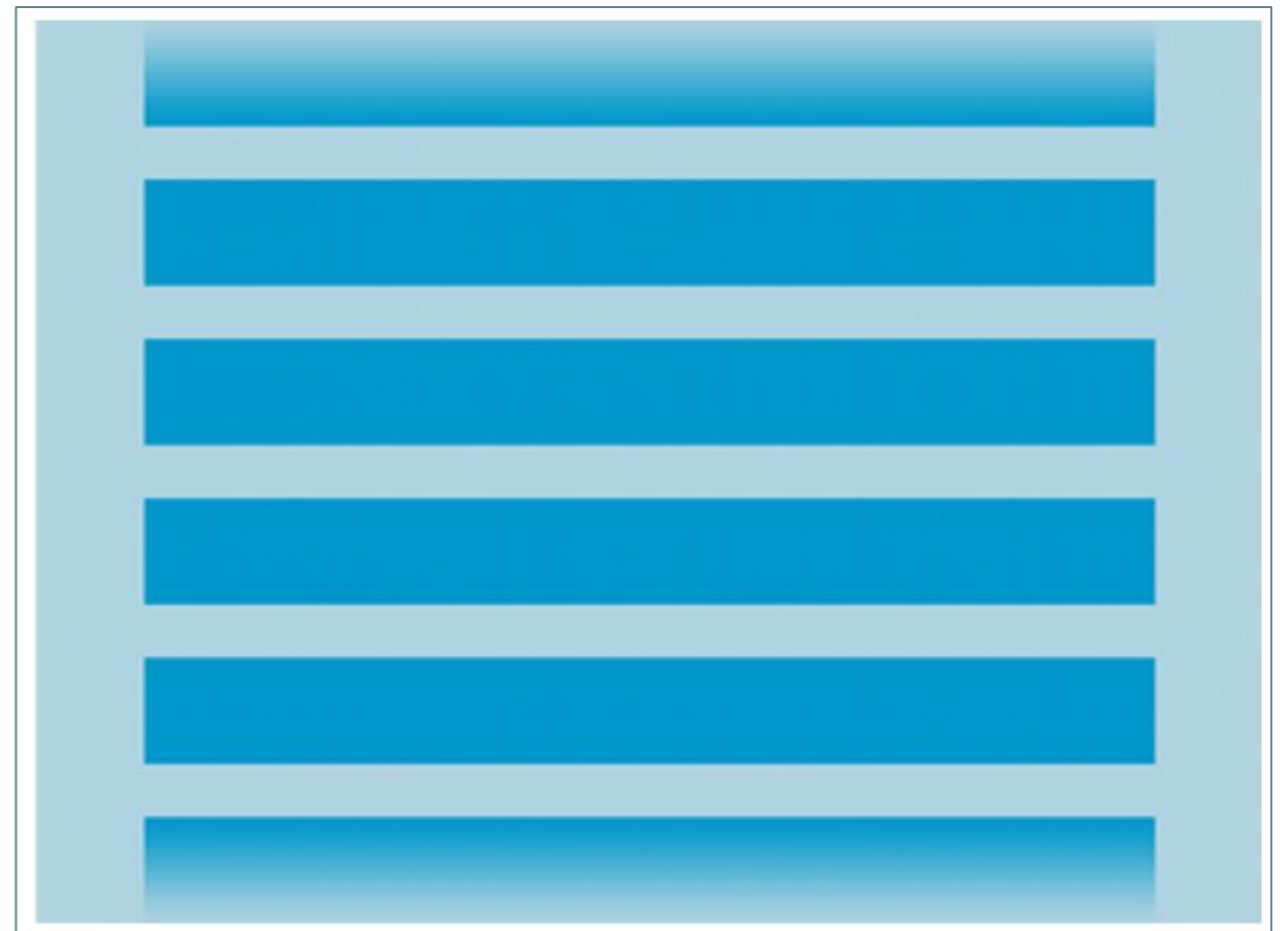
```

res/layout/activity_report.xml



[ListView](#) is a view group that displays a list of scrollable items.

The list items are automatically inserted to the list using an [Adapter](#) that pulls content from a source such as an array or database query and converts each item result into a view that's placed into the list.



Activity Report

First draft displays hardcoded data

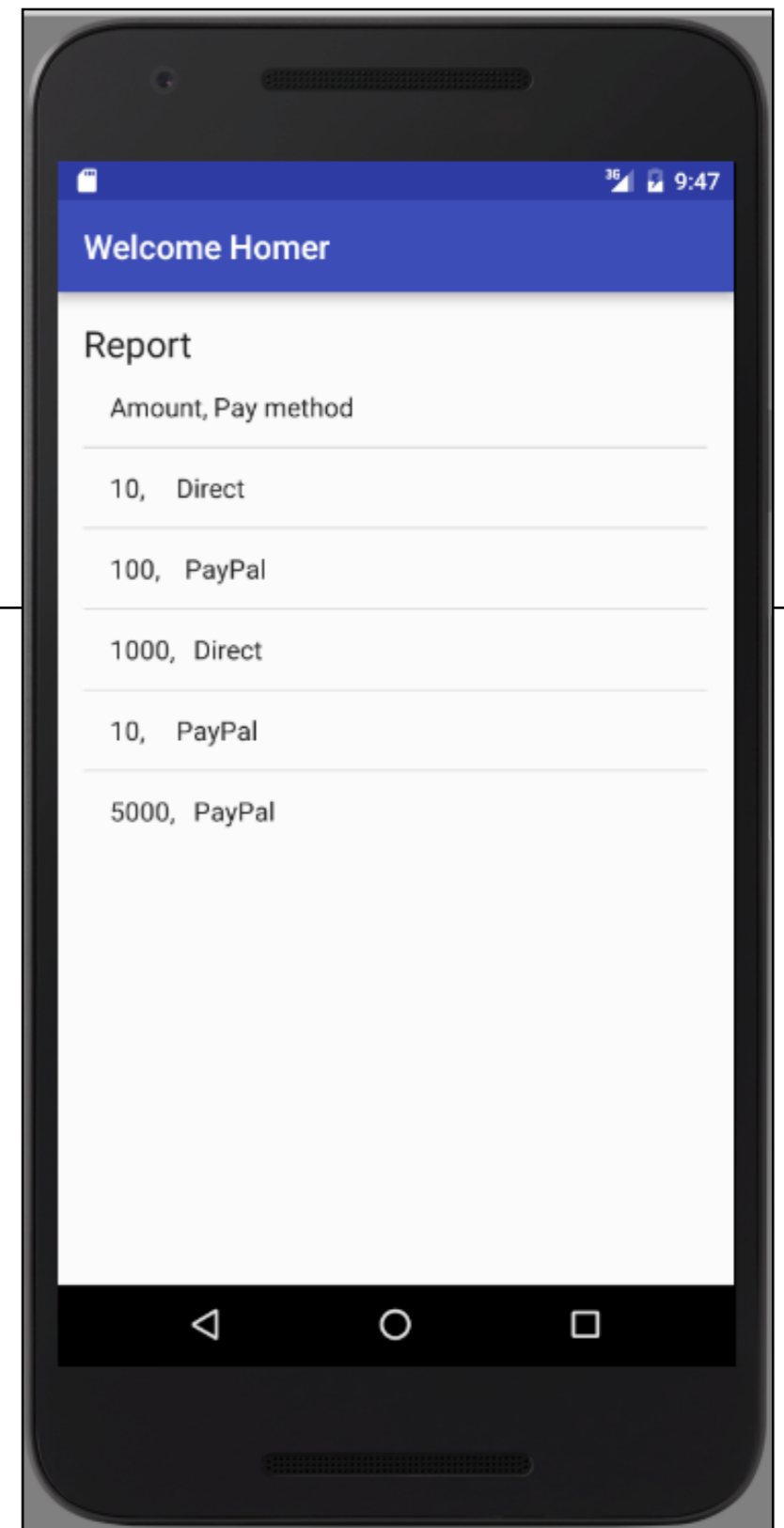
```
public class Report extends AppCompatActivity
{
    ListView listView;

    static final String[] numbers = new String[] {
        "Amount, Pay method",
        "10, Direct",
        "100, PayPal",
        "1000, Direct",
        "10, PayPal",
        "5000, PayPal"};

    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)
    {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_report);

        listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);
        ArrayAdapter<String> adapter = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1, numbers);

        listView.setAdapter(adapter);
    }
}
```



Activity Report

First draft displays hardcoded data

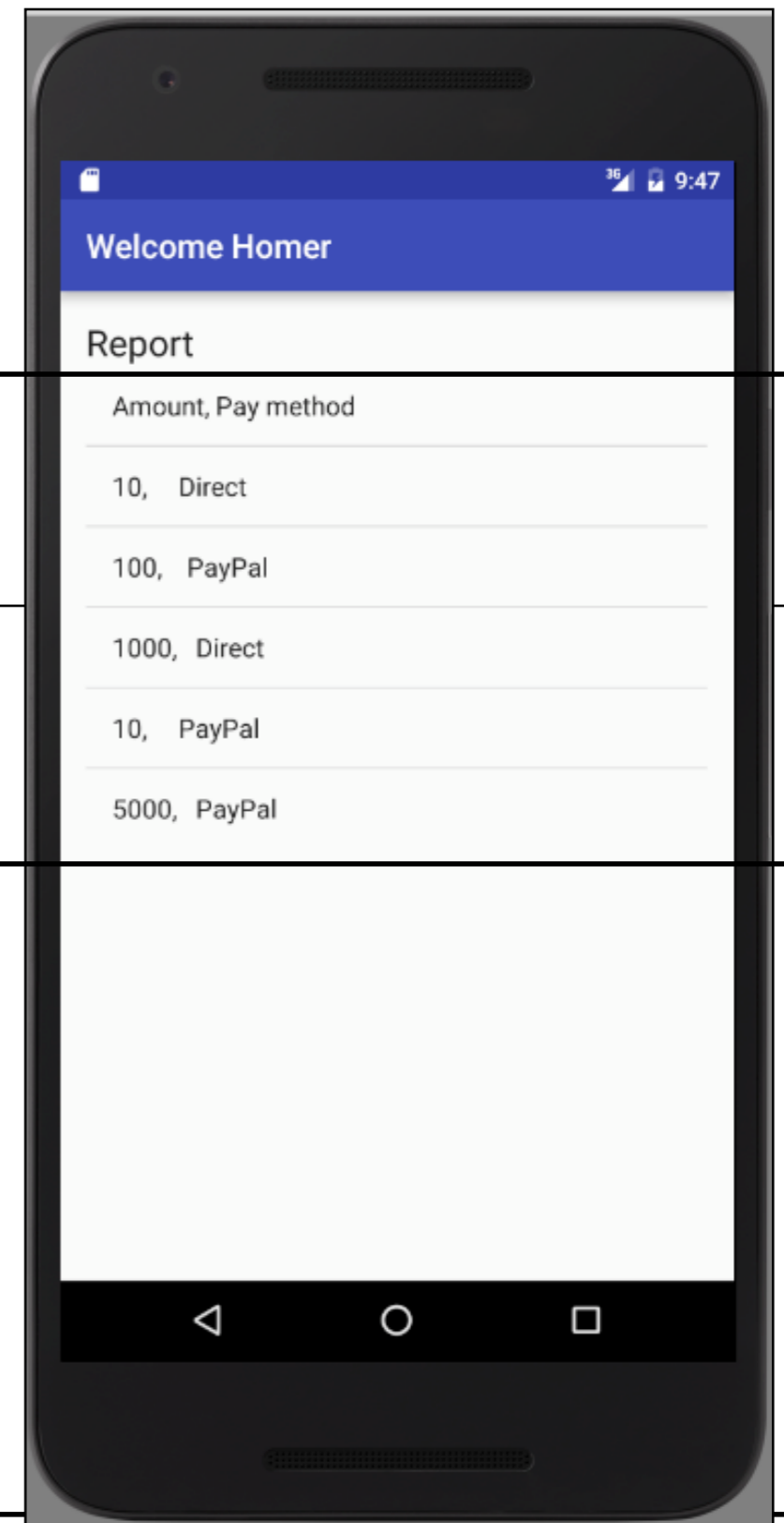
```
public class Report extends AppCompatActivity  
{  
    ListView listView;
```

```
    static final String[] numbers = new String[] {  
        "Amount, Pay method",  
        "10, Direct",  
        "100, PayPal",  
        "1000, Direct",  
        "10, PayPal",  
        "5000, PayPal"};
```

```
@Override  
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)  
{  
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_report);
```

```
    listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);  
    ArrayAdapter<String> adapter = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1, numbers);
```

```
    listView.setAdapter(adapter);  
}  
}
```



ArrayAdapter

An **adapter** is the bridge between a UI component and its data source.

An **ArrayAdapter** is commonly used in Android. It returns a view for each object in a collection of data objects you provide, and can be used with list-based user interface widgets such as **ListView** or **Spinner**.

```
static final String[] numbers = new String[] {  
    "Amount, Pay method",  
    "10, Direct",  
    "100, PayPal",  
    "1000, Direct",  
    "10, PayPal",  
    "5000, PayPal"};
```

```
listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);  
  
ArrayAdapter<String> adapter  
    = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1, numbers);  
  
listView.setAdapter(adapter);
```

ArrayAdapter

- `android.R.layout` contains publicly available layouts that Android uses to display various items.
- `android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1` a simple layout to display a single string; saves you having to write simple layouts when using adapters.

```
listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);  
ArrayAdapter<String> adapter  
    = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1, numbers);  
listView.setAdapter(adapter);
```

For the new Report activity to display...

...we need to start a new Intent in Donate.java:

```
@Override
public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item)
{
    switch (item.getItemId())
    {
        case R.id.menuReport:
            startActivity(new Intent(this, Report.class));
            break;
        case R.id.menuSettings:
            Toast.makeText(this, "Settings Selected", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
            break;
    }
    return true;
}
```

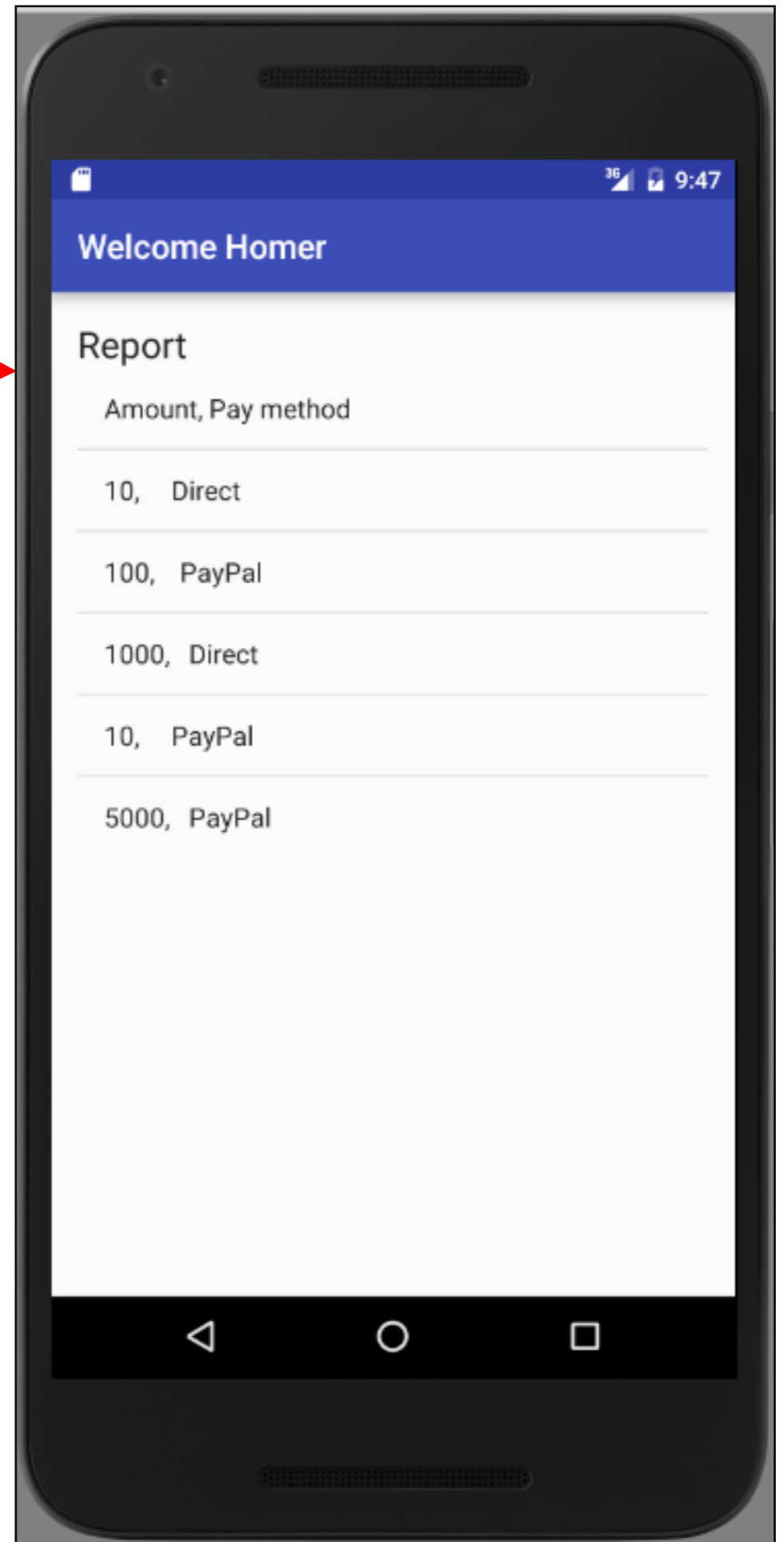
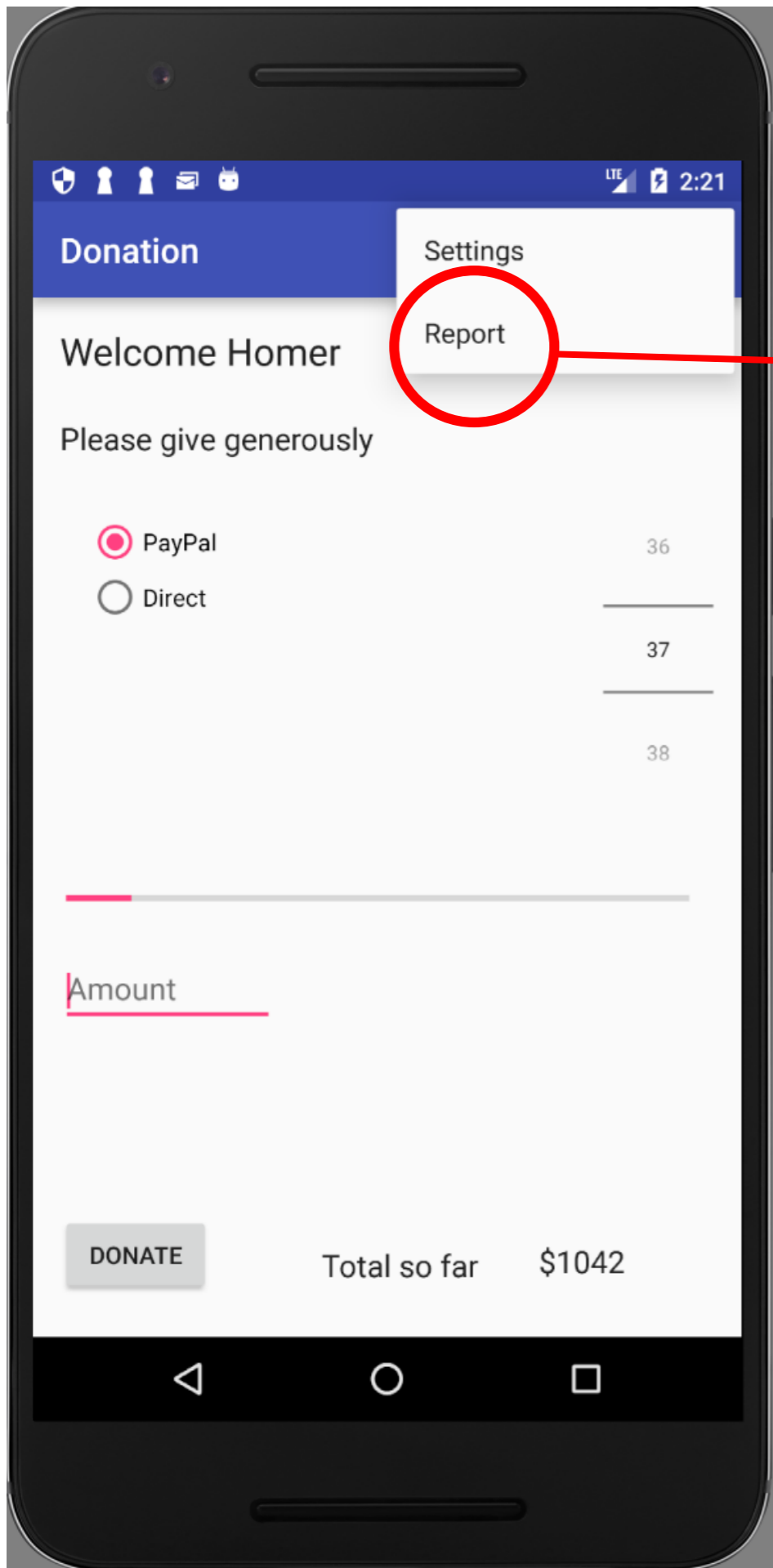
...and add the Report activity to AndroidManifest.xml:

```
<activity
    android:name="app.donation.Report"
    android:label="@string/donateTitle" >
</activity>
```

Intent

An [Intent](#) is a messaging object you can use to request an action from another [app component](#). Three fundamental uses:

1. Starting an Activity (i.e. a single screen)
start a new instance of an [Activity](#) by passing an [Intent](#) to [startActivity\(\)](#). The [Intent](#) describes the activity to start and carries any necessary data.
2. Starting a Service – background operations not requiring a UI e.g. Internet downloads, data processing.
3. Delivering a Broadcast – a message that any app can receive e.g. device has started charging.



Android's Application Object

A base class for maintaining global application state

Application Object in Android

- Base class for maintaining global application state.
- You can provide your own implementation by creating a subclass and specifying the fully-qualified name of this subclass as the `"android:name"` attribute in your `AndroidManifest.xml`'s `<application>` tag.
- The `Application` class, or your subclass of the `Application` class, is instantiated before any other class when the process for your application/package is created.

Application Object, V1.0

```

package app.donation;

import android.app.Application;
import android.util.Log;

public class DonationApp extends Application{

    @Override
    public void onCreate()
    {
        super.onCreate();
        Log.v("Donate", "Donation App Started");
    }
}

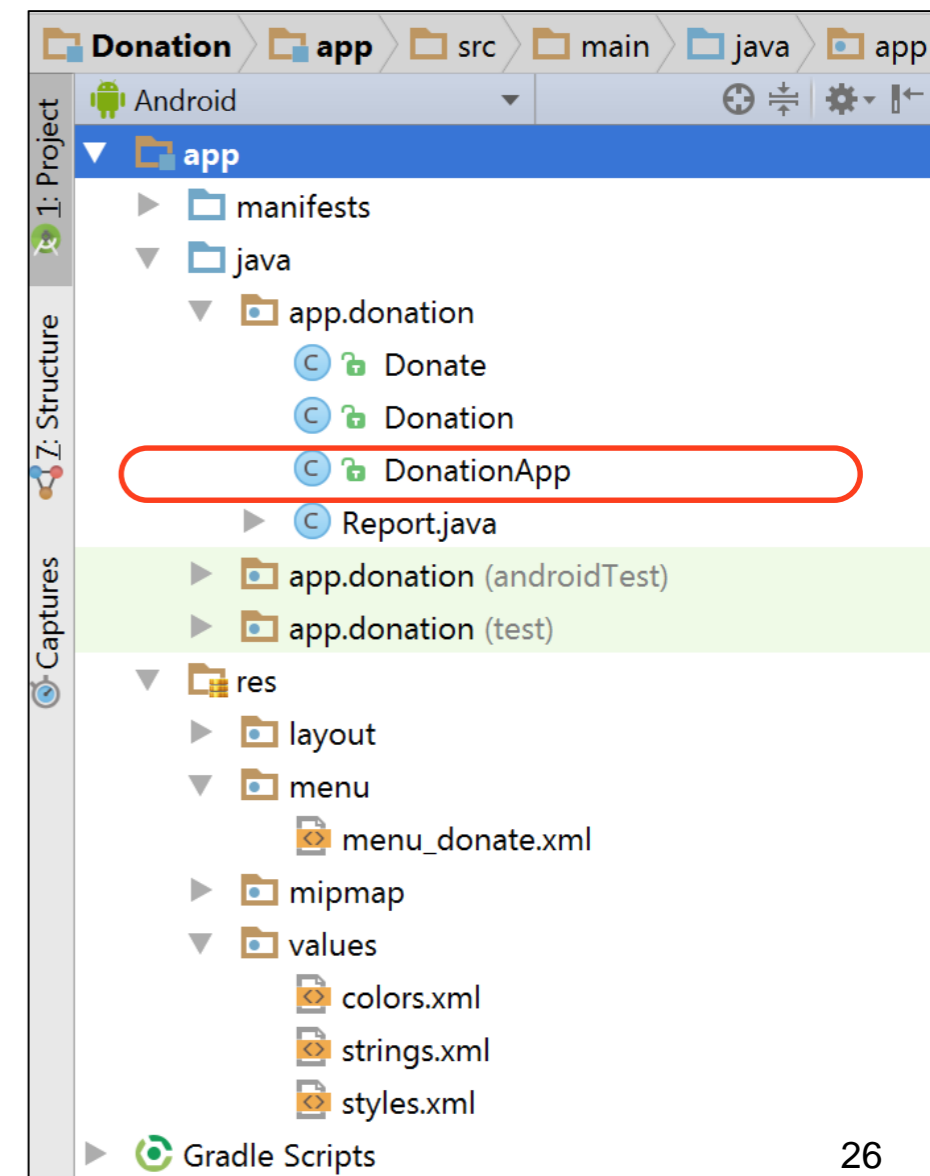
```

```

<application
    android:allowBackup="true"
    android:icon="@mipmap/ic_launcher"
    android:label="@string/app_name"
    android:supportsRtl="true"
    android:theme="@style/AppTheme"
    android:name="app.donation.DonationApp">

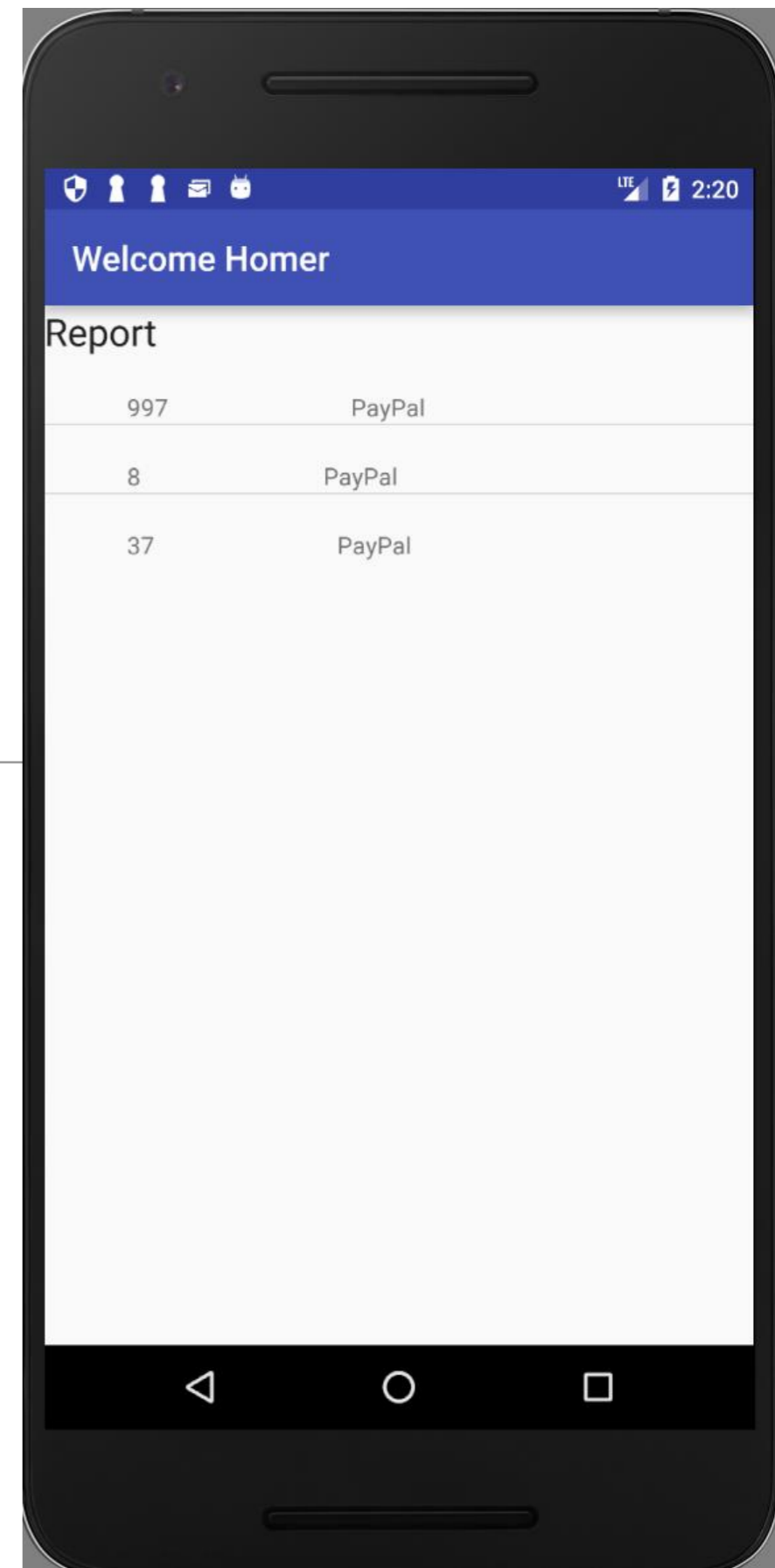
```

- Activities come and go based on user interaction.
- Application objects can be a useful 'anchor' for an android app.
- Use it to hold information shared by all activities.



New Report Activity – Second Draft

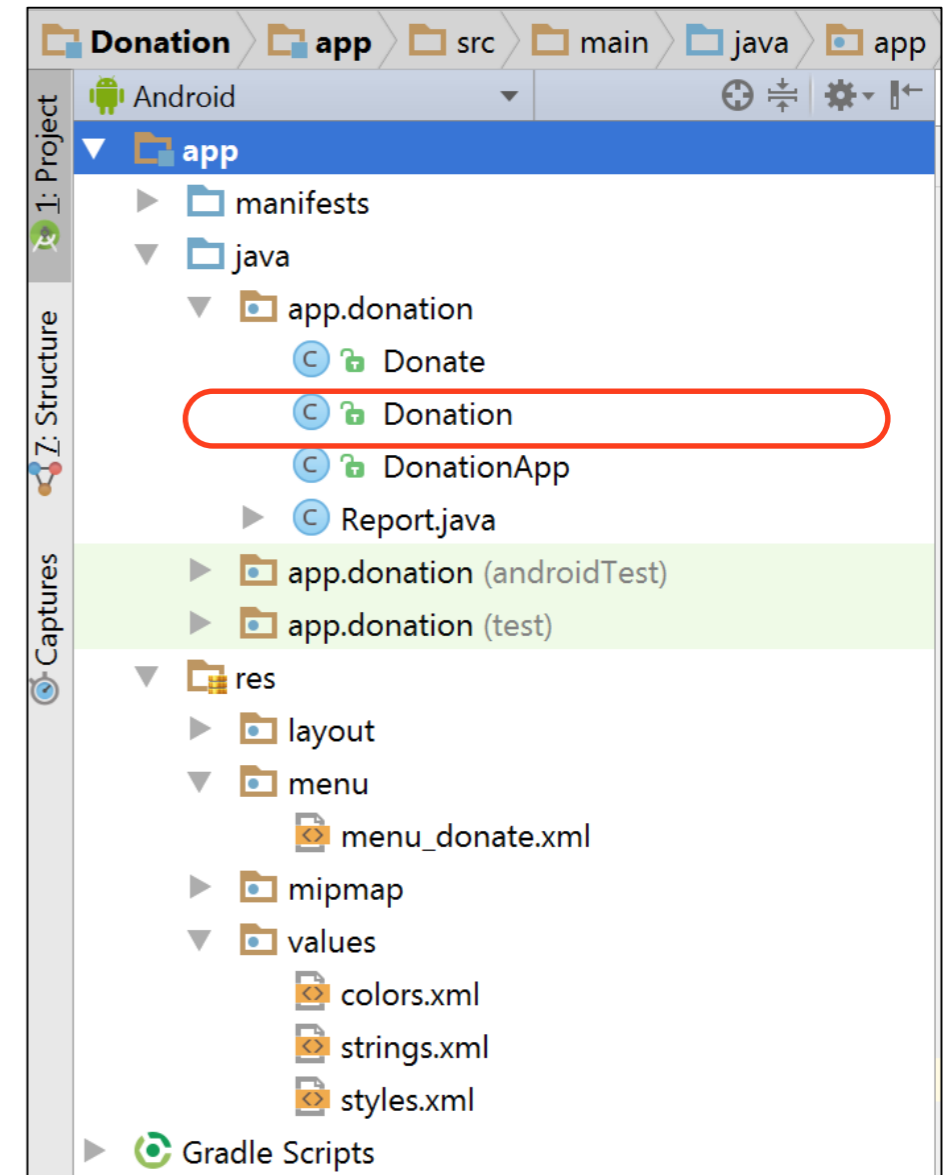
...to display a list of donations made by the user



We need a Model to store the donation data

Create a model class, **Donation**
(similar to play framework models)

```
public class Donation {  
  
    public int amount;  
    public String method;  
  
    public Donation (int amount, String method) {  
        this.amount = amount;  
        this.method = method;  
    }  
}
```

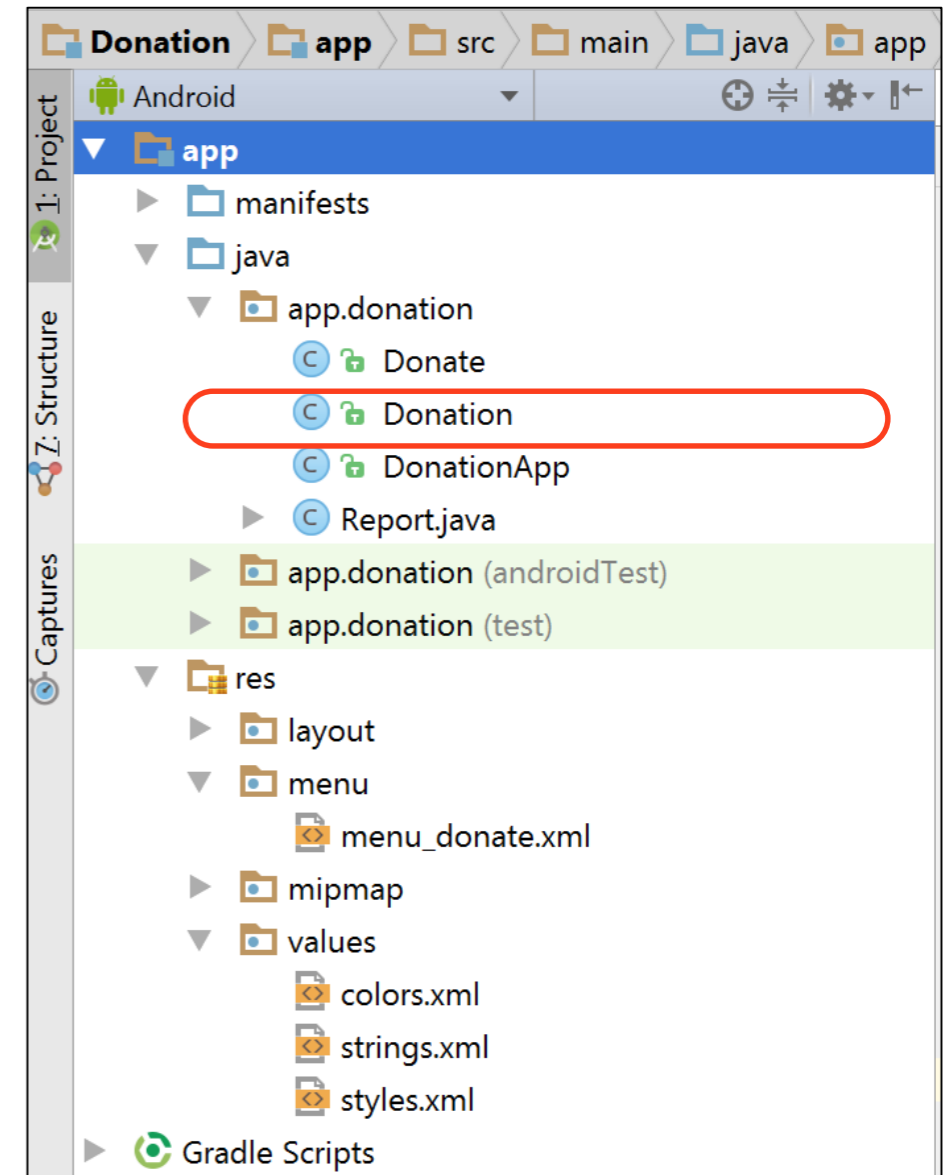


Donation model

Where is the standard boilerplate code?

- Accessors ?
- Mutators ?
- Public access fields ?

```
public class Donation {  
  
    public int amount;  
    public String method;  
  
    public Donation (int amount, String method) {  
        this.amount = amount;  
        this.method = method;  
    }  
}
```

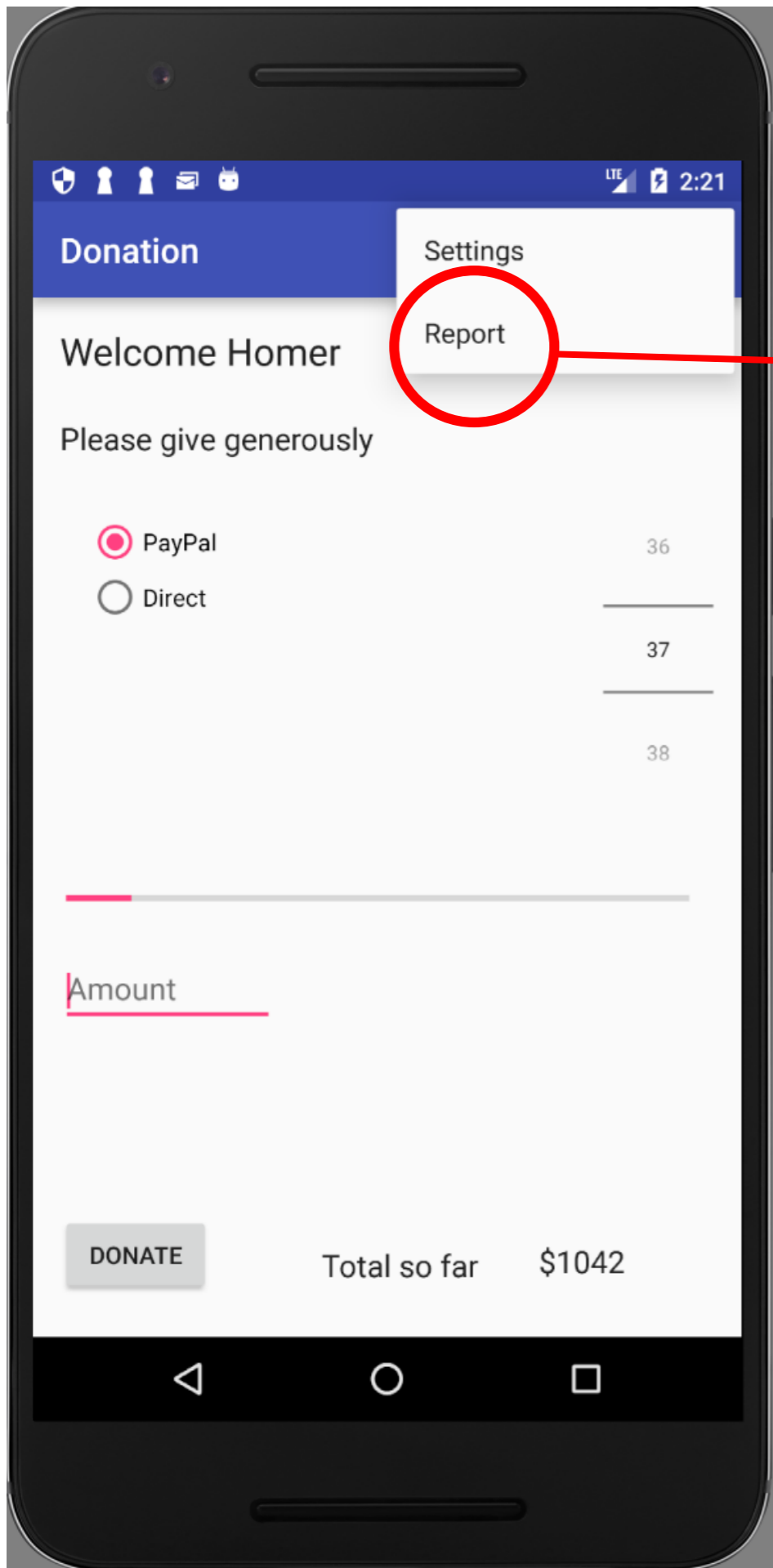


Donation model

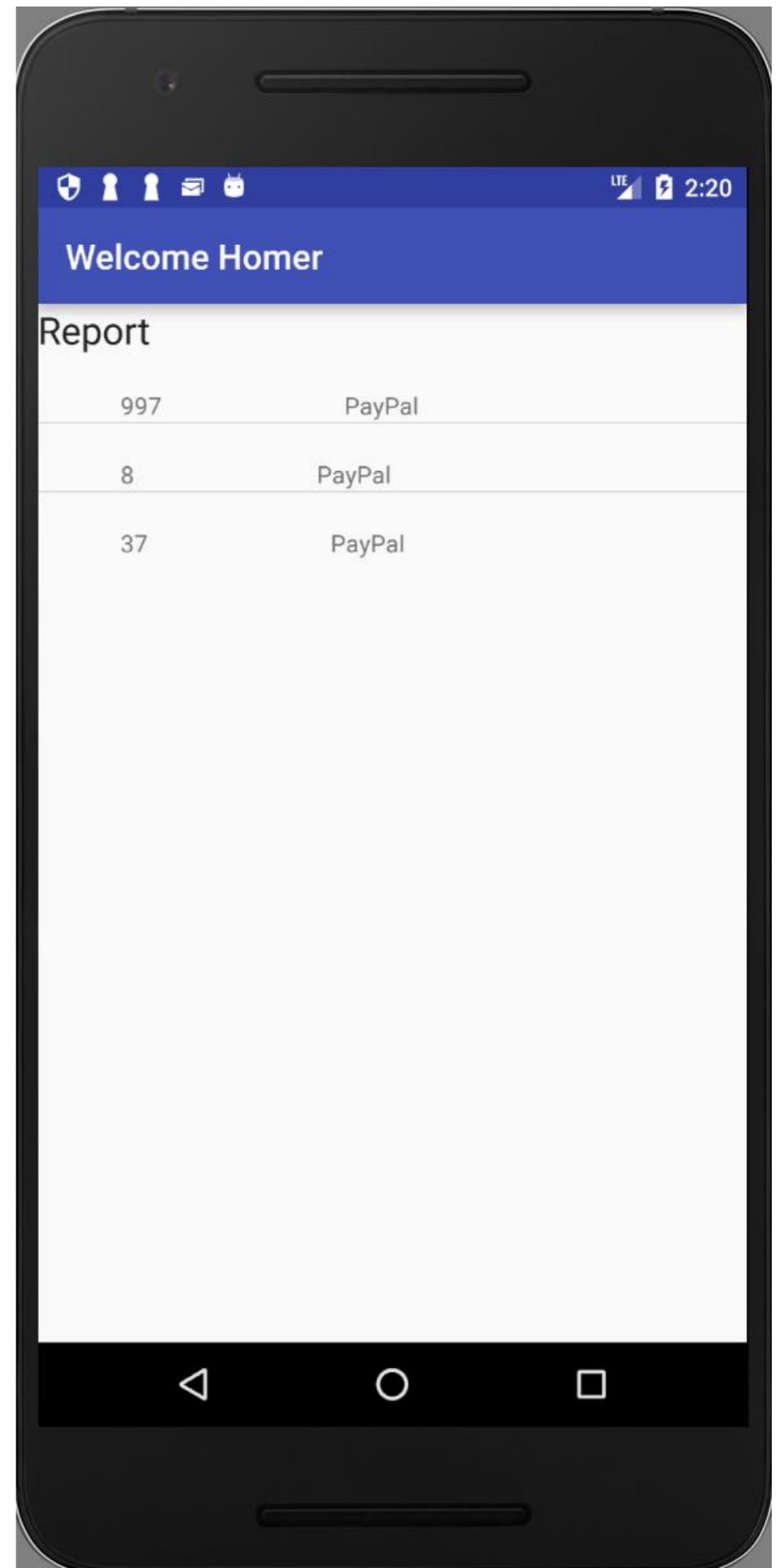
- **Performance!** Calling a getter is 3X longer than directly accessing a field.
- A trend in Android is the avoidance of unnecessary boilerplate methods where possible.

```
public class Donation {  
  
    public int amount;  
    public String method;  
  
    public Donation (int amount, String method) {  
        this.amount = amount;  
        this.method = method;  
    }  
}
```

- Also when we use JSON API Serialize/Deserialize (for REST access from Android), then having public fields makes things easier!



This is
what we
want to
see...



Application Object, V2.0

- Maintains list of donations.
- Maintains current total.
- Allow donations to be made (via 'newDonation').
- Track if total exceeded or not.

```
public class DonationApp extends Application{

    public final int target = 10000;
    public int totalDonated = 0;
    public List<Donation> donations = new ArrayList<Donation>();

    public boolean newDonation(Donation donation) {
        boolean targetAchieved = totalDonated > target;

        if(!targetAchieved) {
            donations.add(donation);
            totalDonated += donation.amount;
        }
        else {
            Toast toast = Toast.makeText(this, "Target Exceeded!", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT);
            toast.show();
        }
        return targetAchieved;
    }

    @Override
    public void onCreate() {
        super.onCreate();
        Log.v("Donate", "Donation App Started");
    }
}
```


Revised Donate.java

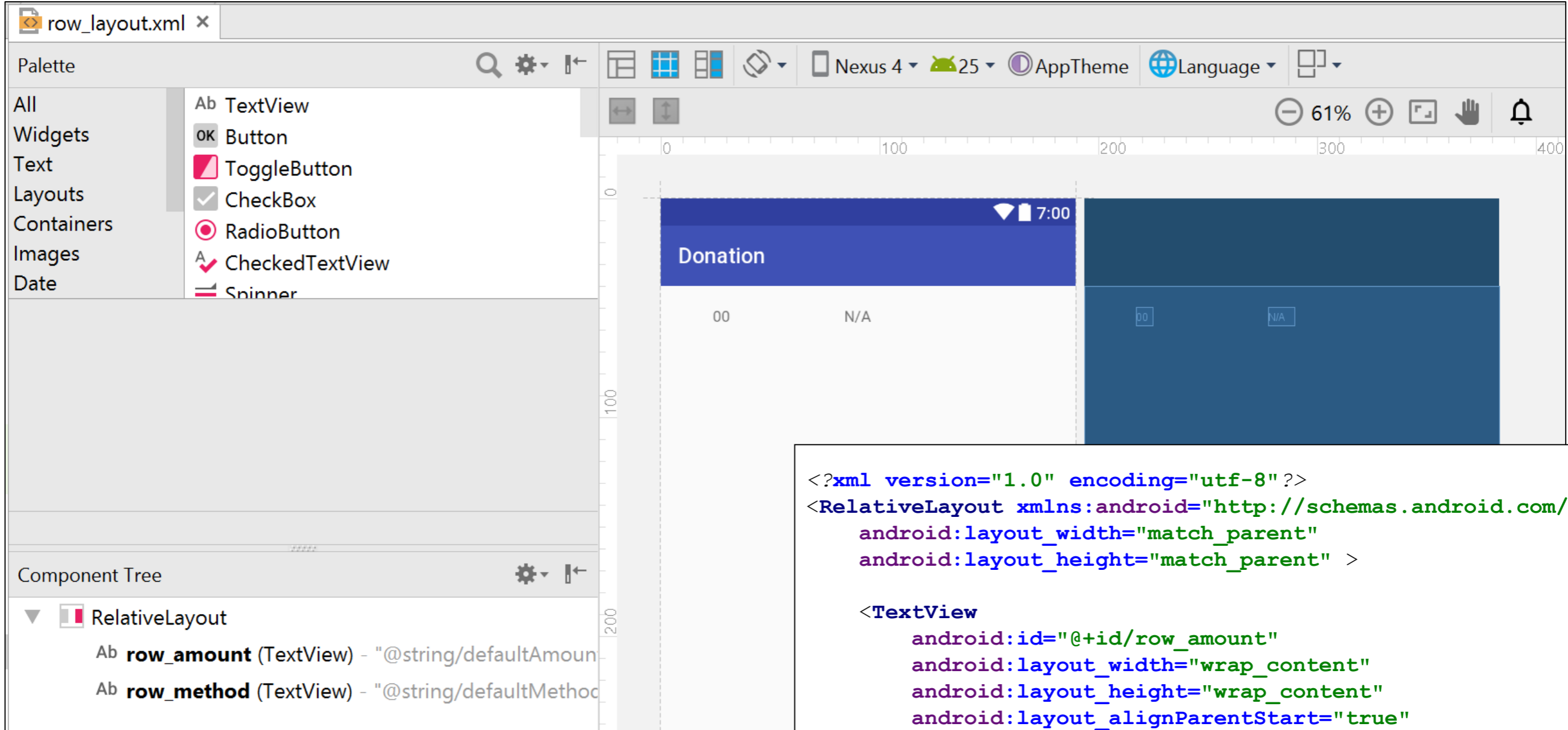
Use the Application Object to store donations.

```
private ProgressBar progressBar;
private NumberPicker amountPicker;
private EditText amountText;
private TextView amountTotal;
private DonationApp app;

public void donateButtonPressed (View view) {
    String method = paymentMethod.getCheckedRadioButtonId()
        == R.id.payPal ? "PayPal" : "Direct";

    int donatedAmount = amountPicker.getValue();
    if (donatedAmount == 0) {
        String text = amountText.getText().toString();
        if (!text.equals(""))
            donatedAmount = Integer.parseInt(text);
    }

    if (donatedAmount > 0) {
        app.newDonation(new Donation(donatedAmount, method));
        progressBar.setProgress(app.totalDonated);
        String totalDonatedStr = "$" + app.totalDonated;
        amountTotal.setText(totalDonatedStr);
    }
}
```



```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent" >

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/row_amount"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_alignParentStart="true"
        android:layout_alignParentTop="true"
        android:layout_marginStart="48dp"
        android:layout_marginTop="20dp"
        android:text="@string/defaultAmount" />

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/row_method"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_alignBaseline="@+id/row_amount"
        android:layout_alignBottom="@+id/row_amount"
        android:layout_marginStart="106dp"
        android:layout_toEndOf="@+id/row_amount"
        android:text="@string/defaultMethod" />

</RelativeLayout>

```

- Not all layouts need to be full screen activities.
- A layout xml file is just a description of a set of UI elements.
- It can be a full activity, or loaded as a part of some other activity.

First Draft of Report.java

(using hard coded data and an ArrayAdapter)

```
public class Report extends AppCompatActivity
{
    ListView listView;

    static final String[] numbers = new String[] {
        "Amount, Pay method",
        "10, Direct",
        "100, PayPal",
        "1000, Direct",
        "10, PayPal",
        "5000, PayPal"};

    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)
    {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_report);

        listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);
        ArrayAdapter<String> adapter = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1, numbers);

        listView.setAdapter(adapter);
    }
}
```

```

package app.donation;

//import statements

public class Report extends AppCompatActivity {
    private ListView listView;
    private DonationApp app;

    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_report);

        app = (DonationApp) getApplication();

        listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);
        DonationAdapter adapter = new DonationAdapter(this, app.donations);
        listView.setAdapter(adapter);
    }
}

class DonationAdapter extends ArrayAdapter<Donation> {
    private Context context;
    public List<Donation> donations;

    public DonationAdapter (Context context, List<Donation> donations) {
        super(context, R.layout.row_layout, donations);
        this.context = context;
        this.donations = donations;
    }

    @Override
    public View getView(int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {

        LayoutInflater inflater = (LayoutInflater) context.getSystemService(Context.LAYOUT_INFLATER_SERVICE);

        View view = inflater.inflate(R.layout.row_layout, parent, false);
        Donation donation = donations.get(position);
        TextView amountView = (TextView) view.findViewById(R.id.row_amount);
        TextView methodView = (TextView) view.findViewById(R.id.row_method);

        amountView.setText("" + donation.amount);
        methodView.setText(donation.method);

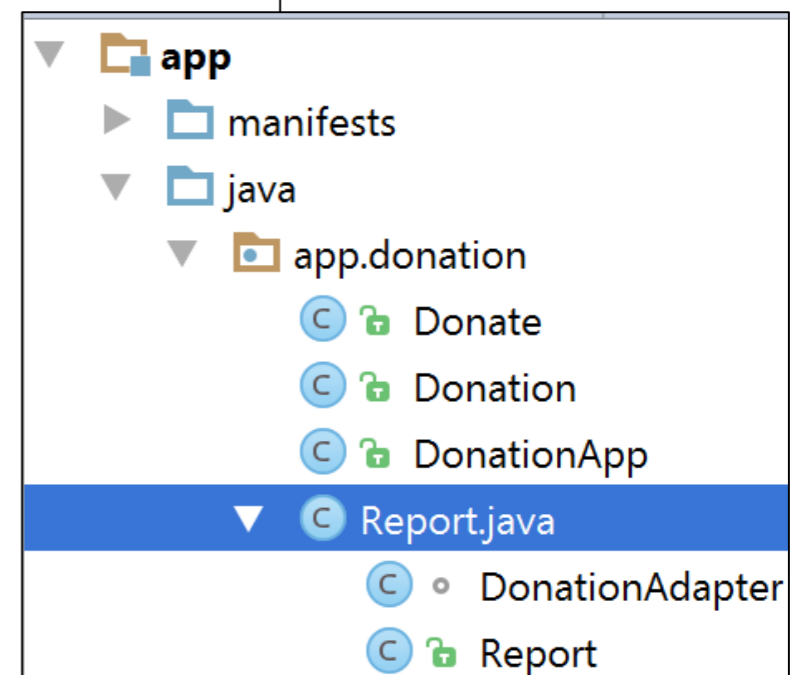
        return view;
    }

    @Override
    public int getCount()
    {
        return donations.size();
    }
}

```

Report.java

Revised using
dynamic data and a
bespoke, top-level
class called
DonationAdapter.



```
package app.donation;
```

```
//import statements
```

```
public class Report extends AppCompatActivity {  
    private ListView listView;  
    private DonationApp app;
```

```
@Override
```

```
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_report);
```

```
    app = (DonationApp) getApplication();
```

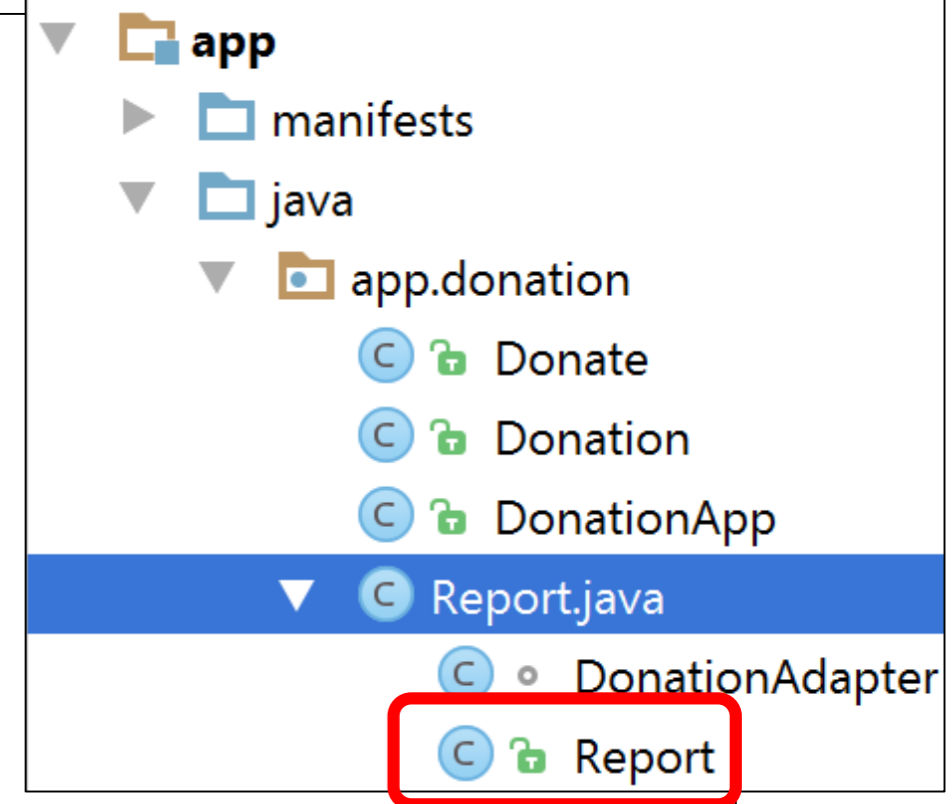
```
    listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.reportList);
```

```
    DonationAdapter adapter = new DonationAdapter(this, app.donations);
```

```
    listView.setAdapter(adapter);
```

```
}
```

```
}
```



- Remove hard coded list of donations.
- Fetch current donations list from Application Object.
- Pass this list to a 'DonationAdapter' - and give the adapter to the list view.

```

class DonationAdapter extends ArrayAdapter<Donation> {
    private Context context;
    public List<Donation> donations;

    public DonationAdapter (Context context,
                            List<Donation> donations) {
        super(context, R.layout.row_layout, donations);
        this.context = context;
        this.donations = donations;
    }

    @Override
    public View getView(int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {

        LayoutInflater inflater
            = (LayoutInflater) context.getSystemService(Context.LAYOUT_INFLATER_SERVICE);

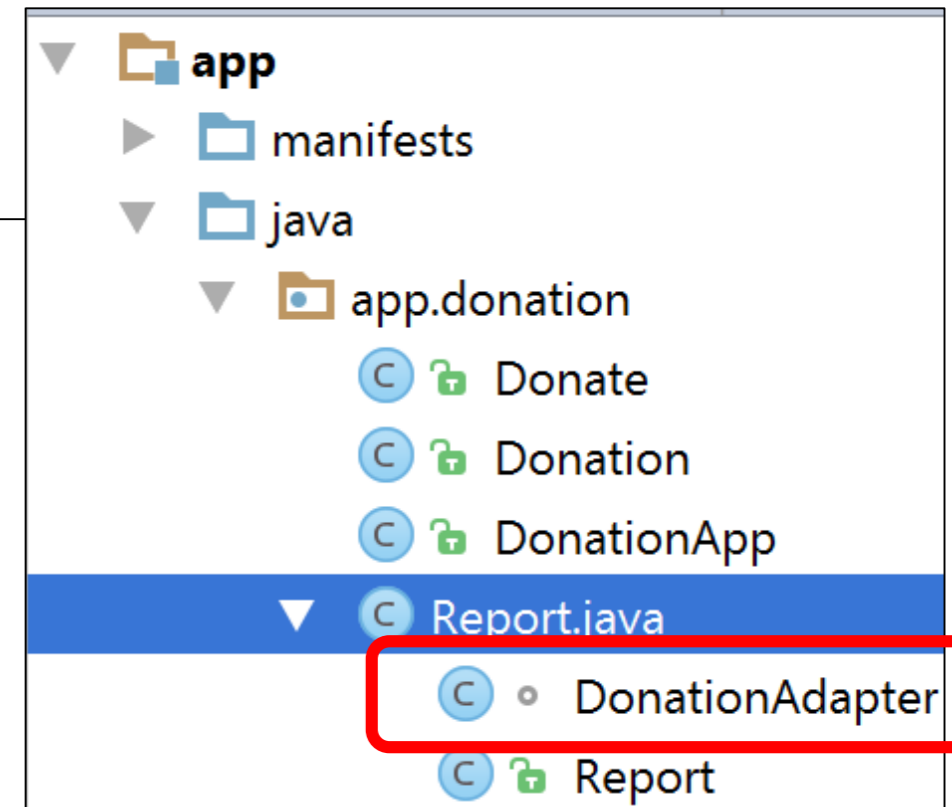
        View view          = inflater.inflate(R.layout.row_layout, parent, false);
        Donation donation  = donations.get(position);
        TextView amountView = (TextView) view.findViewById(R.id.row_amount);
        TextView methodView = (TextView) view.findViewById(R.id.row_method);

        amountView.setText("" + donation.amount);
        methodView.setText(donation.method);

        return view;
    }

    @Override
    public int getCount() {
        return donations.size();
    }
}

```



- 'Adapt' a list of Donation objects for display in a ListView
- Report the size of the list when asked (getCount())
- Given a specific position - create a 'View' representing a row when asked
- This row is created using the row_donate.xml layout we have just designed.

LayoutInflater

Recall in V1.0...

This method inflates a layout and puts it on screen. When a layout is inflated, each widget in the layout file is instantiated as defined by its attributes. You specify which layout to inflate by passing in the layouts resource ID.

```
public class Donate extends AppCompatActivity {  
  
    private int        totalDonated = 0;  
    private int        target = 10000;  
  
    private RadioGroup paymentMethod;  
    private ProgressBar progressBar;  
    private NumberPicker amountPicker;  
    private EditText amountText;  
    private TextView amountTotal;  
  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_donate);  
  
        paymentMethod = (RadioGroup) findViewById(R.id.paymentMethod);  
        progressBar = (ProgressBar) findViewById(R.id.progressBar);  
        amountPicker = (NumberPicker) findViewById(R.id.amountPicker);  
        amountTotal = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.amountTotal);  
        amountText = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.amountText);  
  
        amountPicker.setMinValue(0);  
        amountPicker.setMaxValue(1000);  
        progressBar.setMax(target);  
    }  
  
    // code omitted  
}
```

Donate.java

LayoutInflater

But in `ArrayAdapter` classes....

```

class DonationAdapter extends ArrayAdapter<Donation> {
    private Context context;
    public List<Donation> donations;

    public DonationAdapter (Context context,
                            List<Donation> donations) {
        super(context, R.layout.row_layout, donations);
        this.context = context;
        this.donations = donations;
    }

    @Override
    public View getView(int position, View convertView, ViewGroup parent) {

        LayoutInflater inflater
            = (LayoutInflater) context.getSystemService(Context.LAYOUT_INFLATER_SERVICE);

        View view = inflater.inflate(R.layout.row_layout, parent, false);
        Donation donation = donations.get(position);
        TextView amountView = (TextView) view.findViewById(R.id.row_amount);
        TextView methodView = (TextView) view.findViewById(R.id.row_method);

        amountView.setText("" + donation.amount);
        methodView.setText(donation.method);

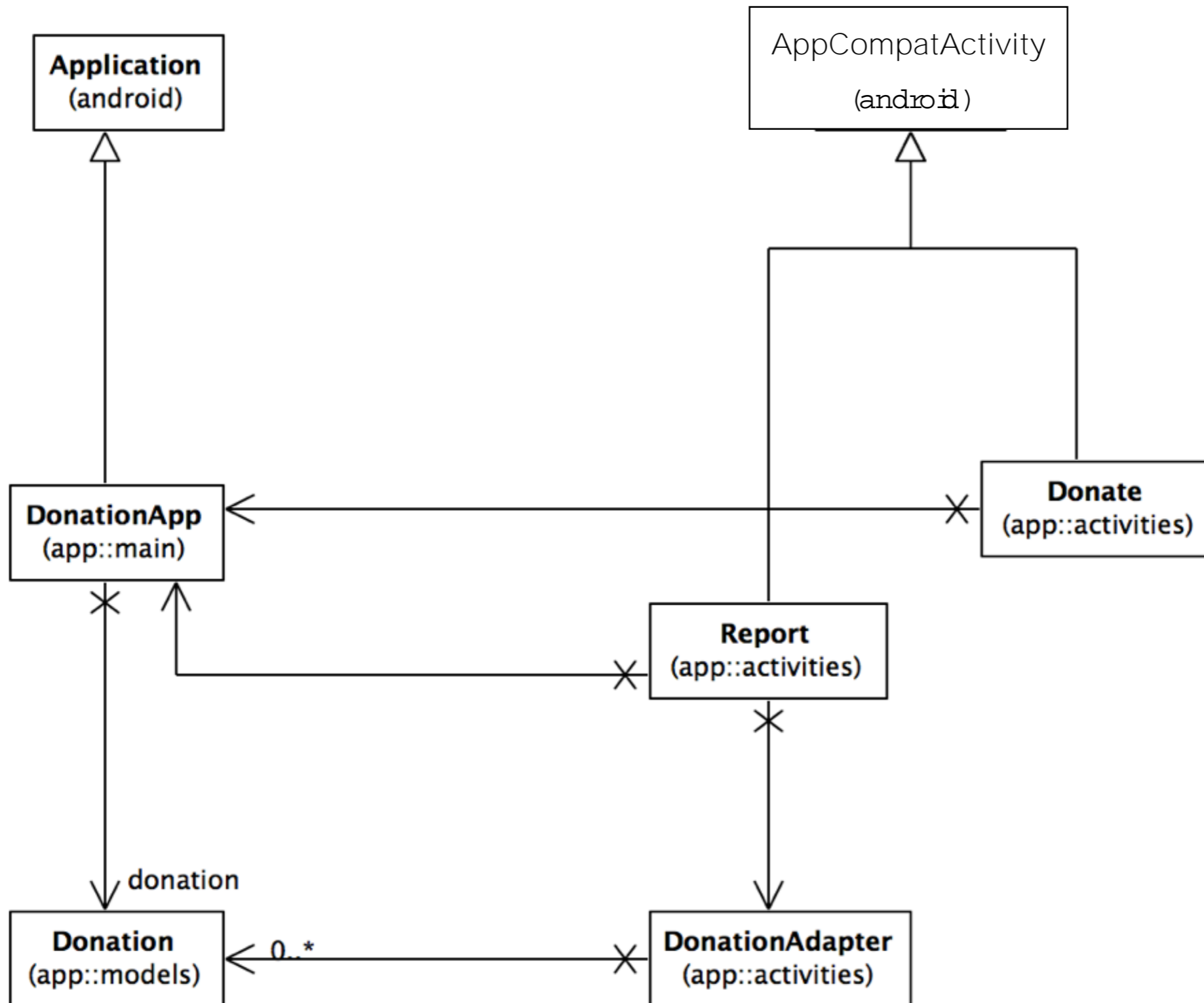
        return view;
    }

    @Override
    public int getCount() {
        return donations.size();
    }
}

```

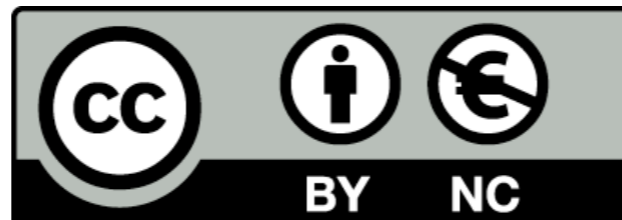
- The ArrayAdapter class is out of application context.
 - You cannot inflate views out of application context.
- you need to get an application context instance within the ArrayAdapter class to get a LayoutInflater instance. More info: [ContextWrapper](#)

Donation V2 UML Model



Questions?





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