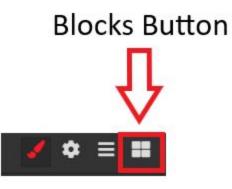


Using Blocks to Build Your Website

Building your website on NHDWebCentral is like building a tower of blocks. Each block is an element. It might be a text box, an image, a document, or a video. Your job is to create the boxes and then put them in a logical order for your viewers to experience.

You can access blocks by clicking on the Blocks button (the four squares in the top right of the Control Bar).





What's a Container and Why Should I Use It?

Containers are KEY elements in NHDWebCentral. They help to keep the website organized.

Think of a container like a clear, plastic bin. If I pack my lunch neatly in my clear plastic bin, I will be able to move it with me through the day. I can take it from the kitchen, put it in my locker, and at lunch time, my lunch will be in the same layout as when I packed it in the morning.

It is the same idea with the website builder. Use a container to keep your website elements (text boxes, images, captions) organized.

Do I Have to Use a Container? YES.

Containers in NHDWebCentral keep your materials organized and neat. If you do not add a container, your work will look one way in "Edit" mode and a different way in "View" mode. It will also ensure that your materials stay organized when viewed on a tablet or a mobile phone.

Start every page with a container. You can add multiple containers on a page to keep your materials organized.

What Blocks Are Available in NHDWebCentral and What Do They Do?

Button	What it looks like	What it does	Can I?
Container	Container	Containers hold your web elements. ALWAYS start a page by dragging in a container. You put the other elements (text boxes, images, lines, etc.) inside a container. Multiple containers on a page will allow for a more structured layout. Please be sure not to overcrowd a container.	
Horizontal Rule	Horizontal Rule	The Horizontal Rule block will place a horizontal line across the page to divide sections within a page.	<i>How do I change the color of the line?</i> Click on the line and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Click the arrow next to Decorations, select a background color, and click ok.
Title	H1 Title	The Title block places a text box with a large font to use as the title of the page or section. You can then edit the text to whatever text you prefer.	How do I change the color / font / etc.? Highlight the title and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Here you have options to change alignment (left, center, right), font, color, size, etc.

Subtitle	H2 Subtitle	The Subtitle block places a text box with a medium size font to use as a subtitle. You can use it to title sections. The text is smaller than the Title block. You can then edit the text to whatever text you prefer.	How do I change the color / font / etc.? Highlight the title and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Here you have options to change alignment (left, center, right), font, color, size, etc.
Header	H3 Header	Header block places a text box with a medium size font. You can use it to title sections. The text is smaller than the Subtitle block. You can then edit the text to whatever text you prefer.	How do I change the color / font / etc.? Highlight the title and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Here you have options to change alignment (left, center, right), font, color, size, etc.
Block Quote	JJ Block Quote	A quote box is a pre-styled box that you can use to offset a block quote from the rest of the page.	Can I change the font / style after I enter this quote block? Sure. Highlight the text and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Here you have options to change alignment (left, center, right), font, color, size, etc.
Spacer	Spacer	If you think your blocks are getting jammed together, you can add extra spacing with this element.	

Image & Caption	Image & Caption	The Image & Caption block is a pre-set element that allows you to add an image with a caption block right below it.	
Link	S Link Block	This is a container that you can use to link within the website. Inside this container you can add text or an image and then hyperlink to another page of the website.	
Nav Bar	Nav Bar	This element is a pre-set navigation bar that allows you to link pages together.	
Text Section	Text section	This is a pre-set element that includes a header block and a text block.	Can I change the font / style after I enter this quote block? Sure. Highlight the text and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Here you have options to change alignment (left, center, right), font, color, size, etc.
Embed Multimedia	Embed Multimedia	 This element allows you to upload: PDF files for viewing; Audio (MP3) files for listening; and Video (MP4, MOV) files for viewing. 	

1 Column	1 Column	The 1 Column button creates a single column within a container. You can place other elements into each cell (e.g, text box, image with caption, etc.)	
2 Columns	2 Columns	The 2 Columns button creates two columns within a container. You can place other elements into each cell (e.g., text box, image with caption, etc.)	
3 Columns	3 Columns	The 3 Columns button creates three columns within a container. You can place other elements into each cell (e.g., text box, image with caption, etc.)	
2 Columns 3/7	2 Columns 3/7	This button creates two columns within a container. The left column is narrower than the right one. You can place other elements into each cell (e.g., text box, image with caption, etc.)	

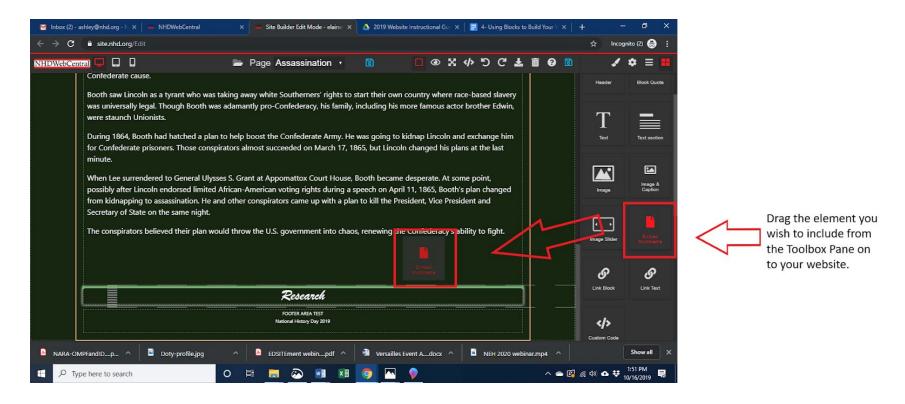
Text Box	T Text	The Text box allows you to enter text on your page.	Can I change the font / style after I enter this quote block? Sure. Highlight the text and then the Style Pane will appear in the Toolkit Pane on the right. Here you have options to change alignment (left, center, right), font, color, size, etc.
Link Text	S Link Text	This button provides a text box and the ability to add a hyperlink within your website. The text will highlight blue and when clicked, turn purple.	<i>Can I hyperlink text in my website?</i> Yes, this button will allow you specifically hyperlink text in your website.
Image	Image	This button allows you to add an image to your website.	
Image Slider	Image Slider	The Image Slider button allows you to create a slideshow of images. To add more than three images, select the last slide and duplicate it until you have the appropriate number of slide containers needed for the image block.	

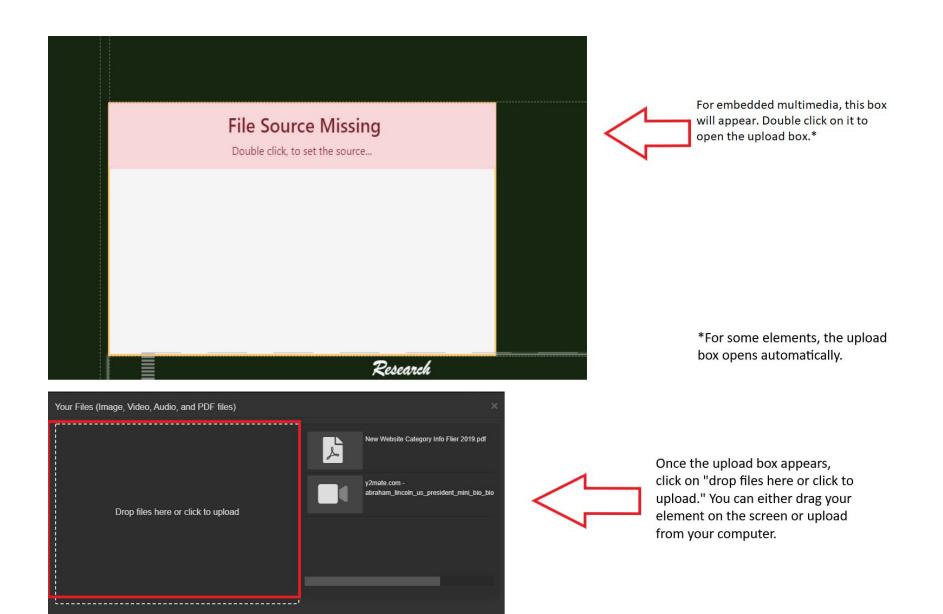
Custom Code	Custom Code	This button allows HTML coding to be added/displayed on the website.	
Flexbox	Flexbox	This button creates two equal-sized columns that can be manipulated to any size on the page.	

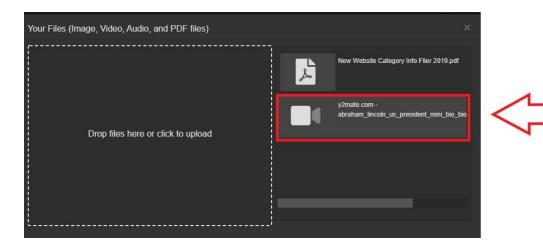
How do I add elements into my website?

You may wish to add elements (like multimedia, images, files, etc.) to your website. Remember, before you drag in ANY elements, drag in a container to keep your elements organized.

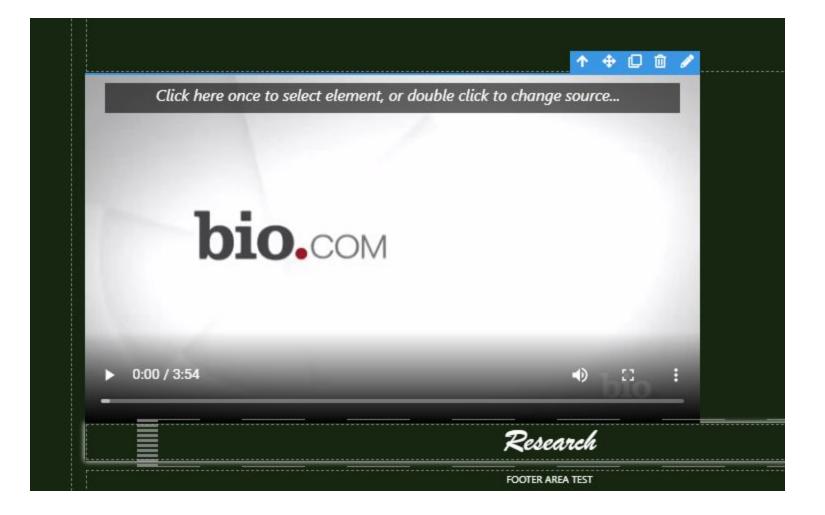
Some of these elements need to be uploaded (like multimedia, images, files, etc.). In order to upload them, first drag the desired block onto the screen. Then, the upload box (for multimedia, it will ask you to double click the box) will appear. You can either drag the elements you wish to upload onto the screen or upload directly from your computer.







Once you have selected the element you wish to upload, it will appear on the right side of the upload box. Select it and the element will be added to your website.



How do I edit elements once they are added?

Up Arrow	1	The button moves to the next element on the page among your blocks. This is helpful when you have many blocks within an area.	
Move Arrows	÷	The button lets you move the image around inside a container.	
Make a Copy	D	This button lets you make a copy of the selected element.	
Trash Button		This button allows you delete an element from your website.	
Pencil		The button opens the upload dialog box.	