

# 9 open-source repos to replace your \$200/month tool stack — the list

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You commented STACK. Here it is — all 9 repos, the real GitHub links, what each one does, exactly what paid thing it kills, and its live star count so you know these aren't dead side projects.

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## ■ The thing nobody tells you

Look at what you're actually paying for every month. An AI app builder. A scraping platform. A knowledge-base chatbot. A voice-AI tool billing you per minute. A pile of AI subscriptions you're juggling. Add it up and it's easily \$200+ a month walking out the door.

Here's the part that stings: nearly every one of those tools is a thin wrapper around something that's already open-source, already on GitHub, already free, and in a lot of cases better than the paid version. You're renting the convenience. That's it.

The only reason you keep paying is nobody hands you the list. So below is the list. Nine repos. Each one replaces one line item on your bill. Real links, real stars, real jobs they do.

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## ■ 1. dyad — build the app locally instead of renting a builder

**The repo:** [github.com/dyad-sh/dyad](https://github.com/dyad-sh/dyad)

**What it does:** a local, open-source AI app builder. You describe the app and it scaffolds a real React/TypeScript project — actual files, on your own

machine, that you own and can keep building on.

**What it replaces:** Lovable, Bolt, and the other cloud app-builders you pay monthly for and can never fully export from.

**Stars:** sitting at 20.9k, so plenty of people have already made the jump.

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## ■ 2. goose — an agent that does the work, not a hire

**The repo:** [github.com/aaif-goose/goose](https://github.com/aaif-goose/goose)

**What it does:** an autonomous on-machine AI agent that actually executes multi-step work for you — and lets you save the flows as reusable "recipes" so the next run is one command.

**What it replaces:** that first junior ops or dev hire you were about to make for the repetitive build-and-glue work.

**Stars:** 51.1k. This one's not niche — it's one of the most-starred agents out there.

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## ■ 3. DeerFlow — a research analyst that finishes the deliverable

**The repo:** [github.com/bytedance/deer-flow](https://github.com/bytedance/deer-flow)

**What it does:** ByteDance's open super-agent. You give it a question, it runs the deep research, and it hands back a finished thing — a report, a deck, a webpage — not a pile of links for you to sort.

**What it replaces:** the multi-day workload you'd normally hand an analyst, compressed into one run.

**Stars:** 76.8k, which for a research agent is a serious signal that it holds up.

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## ■ 4. Daytona — a safe sandbox to run AI-generated code

**The repo:** [github.com/daytonaio/daytona](https://github.com/daytonaio/daytona)

**What it does:** secure, elastic sandboxes for running code your AI just wrote. Spin one up, let the agent run wild inside it, throw it away — your machine and your prod never get touched.

**What it replaces:** the staging/isolation environment you'd otherwise build and babysit yourself before trusting agent-written code.

**Stars:** 72.2k — this is infrastructure a lot of serious teams already lean on.

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## ■ 5. Scrapling — a scraper that heals itself when sites change

**The repo:** [github.com/D4Vinci/Scrapling](https://github.com/D4Vinci/Scrapling)

**What it does:** an adaptive scraper whose selectors self-heal. When the site redesigns and your old scraper would've snapped, this one re-finds the elements and keeps pulling data.

**What it replaces:** the paid scraping platforms you rent by the request, plus the babysitting every time a target site changes.

**Stars:** 69.3k, and the self-healing bit is exactly why it climbed that fast.

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## ■ 6. 9Router — one local door in front of every AI model

**The repo:** [github.com/decolua/9router](https://github.com/decolua/9router)

**What it does:** a local, OpenAI-compatible proxy in front of 40+ providers. Tiered fallback (if one model is down or pricey, it drops to the next), plus token compression to trim what you send.

**What it replaces:** the mess of juggling five separate AI subscriptions and hard-coding one provider into everything.

**Stars:** 21.9k, growing right alongside the "stop overpaying for tokens" crowd.

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## ■ 7. RAGFlow — a real answer engine over your own files

**The repo:** [github.com/infiniflow/ragflow](https://github.com/infiniflow/ragflow)

**What it does:** an enterprise-grade open-source RAG engine. Point it at your documents and it gives citation-backed answers — every claim traces back to the source page, not a hallucination.

**What it replaces:** the knowledge-base chatbot platforms (the "upload your docs, get a bot" SaaS) you pay per seat for.

**Stars:** 84.9k — the highest on this list, and deservedly the go-to open RAG stack.

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## ■ 8. ai-website-cloner-template — point at a URL, get a clean rebuild

**The repo:** [github.com/JCodesMore/ai-website-cloner-template](https://github.com/JCodesMore/ai-website-cloner-template)

**What it does:** aim your AI agents at any URL and it hands back a clean Next.js rebuild of that page — structured, editable code instead of a screenshot.

**What it replaces:** the slow manual reverse-engineering you'd do by hand to rebuild a reference site or a competitor's page.

**Stars:** 27.9k, which is a lot of people who no longer rebuild sites from scratch.

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## ■ 9. Pipecat — production voice AI without the per-minute meter

**The repo:** [github.com/pipecat-ai/pipecat](https://github.com/pipecat-ai/pipecat)

**What it does:** a production framework from the Daily team for real-time voice and multimodal AI — the plumbing behind a live voice agent that listens and talks back with low latency.

**What it replaces:** the hosted voice-AI platforms that bill you by the minute the second you get any real usage.

**Stars:** 13.4k — smaller on the list, but it's the serious base for voice work.

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## ■ The list, one glance

- **dyad** — 20.9k★ — local AI app builder → replaces Lovable / Bolt.
- **goose** — 51.1k★ — autonomous on-machine agent → replaces a junior hire.
- **DeerFlow** — 76.8k★ — research super-agent → replaces an analyst's multi-day job.
- **Daytona** — 72.2k★ — safe sandboxes for AI code → replaces your own staging env.
- **Scrapling** — 69.3k★ — self-healing scraper → replaces paid scraping platforms.

- **9Router** — 21.9k★ — one proxy over 40+ models → replaces juggling AI subs.
  - **RAGFlow** — 84.9k★ — citation-backed RAG over your files → replaces KB chatbot SaaS.
  - **ai-website-cloner-template** — 27.9k★ — URL → clean Next.js rebuild → replaces manual reverse-engineering.
  - **Pipecat** — 13.4k★ — real-time voice + multimodal framework → replaces per-minute voice platforms.
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## ■ The bigger picture

Notice these don't just save you money one for one — they stack into a whole system. dyad builds the app, Daytona runs its code safely, 9Router feeds it models cheaply, RAGFlow gives it memory over your docs, Scrapling feeds it fresh data, goose runs the loop, and DeerFlow, the cloner, and Pipecat handle research, rebuilds, and voice. That's not nine subscriptions replaced — that's a production stack you own outright.

This is exactly how I build at Axionox: real systems on open tooling, not no-code duct tape you rent forever. Owning the stack is the difference between a tool you pay for and a machine that works for you. You don't need all nine — you need the one that maps to the bill you hate most.

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## ■ Your next step

Don't rip out your whole stack tonight. Pick the single line on your bill that annoys you most, find its match above, and clone just that one. Paying for a cloud app builder? Start with **dyad**. Bleeding money on scraping?

**Scrapling**. Getting metered on voice? **Pipecat**. Clone it, run it once on something small, feel it work — then swap the next one next week.

The list is done. All you have to do is trade one paid tab for one free repo.  
Start with one today.

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