ALL ABOUT FUNDRAISING AUTOMATION

How to optimize your fundraising operation with technology



































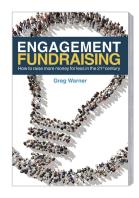




Greg Warner
CEO & Founder
market smart

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Turnkey

'DONE-FOR-YOU DUO'
software + services

Land more meetings with major donor prospects when they are ready to talk about gifts of assets and legacy gifts





































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Questions will be answered at the end of the presentation







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BE THE FUNDRAISER YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO **BE**

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3 types of automation?

Where you should start?

My key secrets to success

Case study / results / ROI

Quick explanation market() smart

Q & A

Survey



OPTIMIZE YOU!



- Average caseload size = 142
- Only 1/2 receive personal visits each year
- 52% said they don't have enough time to "get it all done"
- Reported "significant frustration with the time spent setting up and completing qualification visits that did not ultimately lead to gifts."



QUICK



Describe your level of frustration related to the time you spend working on arranging & completing qualification visits that do not ultimately lead to major gifts (false positives leading to wild goose chases)?

- Not frustrated at all
- A little frustrated
- Somewhat frustrated
- Very frustrated
- Extremely frustrated





Be more efficient (more productive/cut costs)

Be more effective (increase ROI)

Be happier (reduce employee turnover)







'WARM UP' THE UNASSIGNED + LAND MORE MEETINGS

Jerold Panas



- harder to get an appointment than to secure a gift."
- getting the appointment is **85% of getting the gift**."

WHY CONSIDER AUTOMATION? Fundraising is getting harder



Fundraising is getting harder





https://scholarworks.iupui.edu/bitstream/handle/18 05/26290/giving-environment210727.pdf

% share of Americans who donated

ALL SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS

2000 - 66.2% 2018 - 49.6% Most of the decline occurred **AFTER** the **Great Recession** (2007-2009)

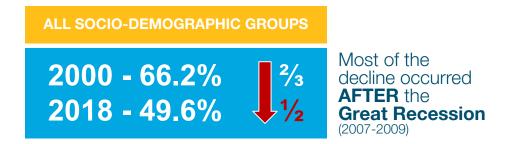
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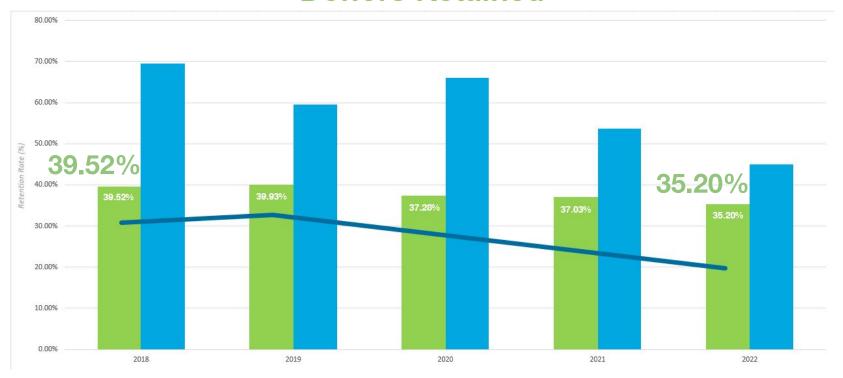
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Average \$ amount Americans gave



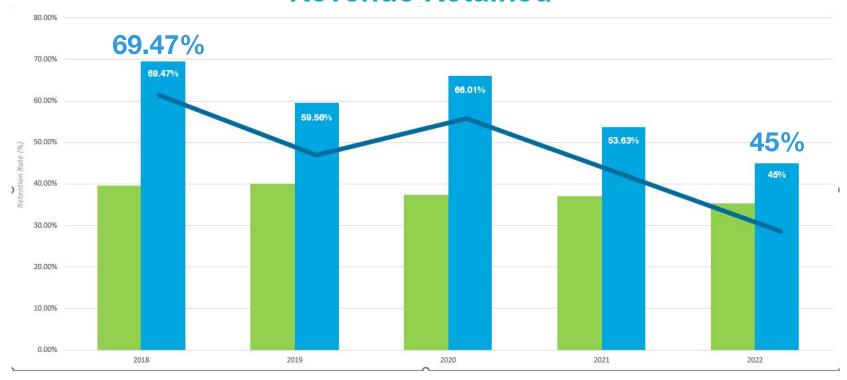
Donors Retained



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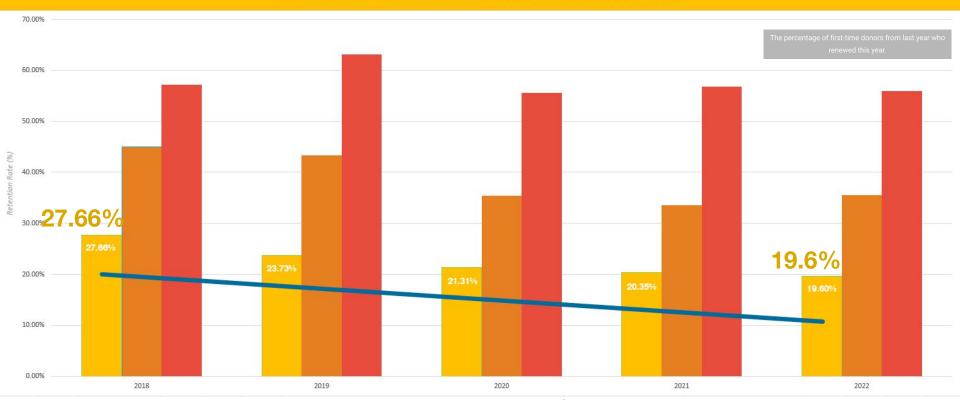
Revenue Retained



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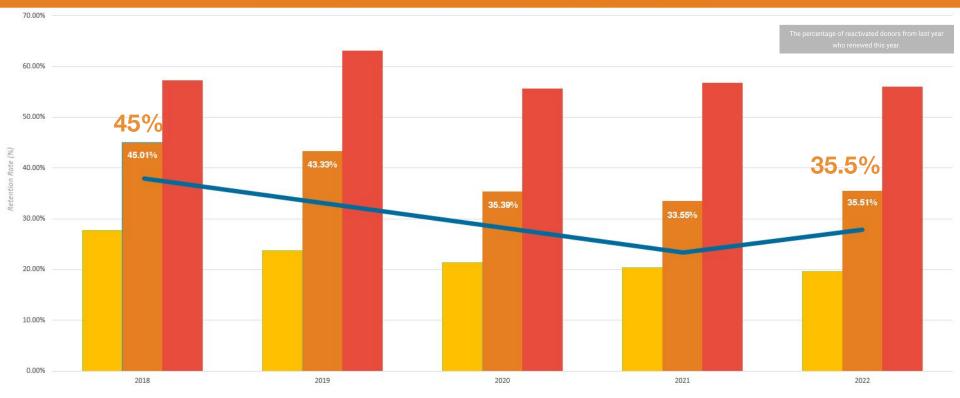
FIRST TIME donor retention



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REACTIVATED donor retention



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REPEAT donor retention





LOW-DOLLAR VS. HIGH DOLLAR DONORS Under \$100 donors Over \$5,000 donors





\$250 to \$1,000

\$1,000 to \$5,000

\$5,000 and up

Under \$100



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Donor Retention Rate
18.67%

Lifetime Value • \$45.46



Donor Retention Rate

\$78,708.61

January 2023 Data www.fundraisingreportcard.com/benchmarks



80/20 rule is now **74/.**74

Donors giving over \$5,000

= .74% of an org's donor base but make up 74.07% (3/4) of all donation revenue \$

Donors giving under \$100

= 75.8% of an org's donor base but make up only 5.07% of all donation revenue \$

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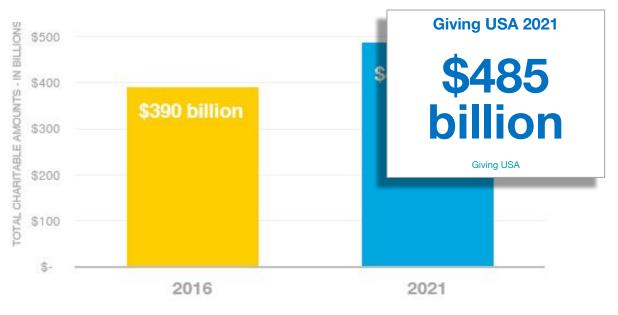
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Total giving has increased







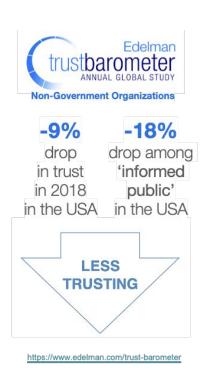


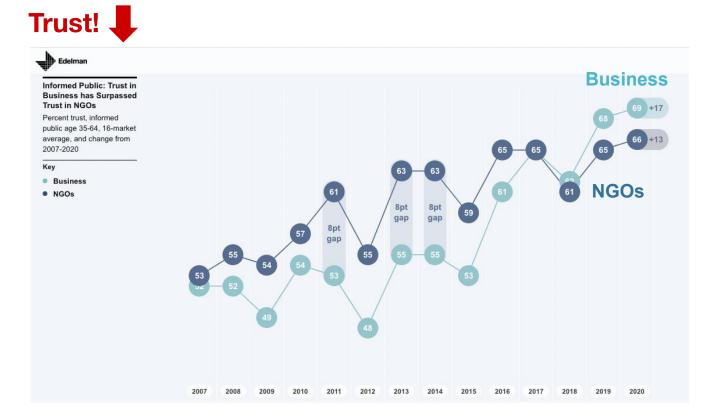
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For the first time since 2012 donations decreased



Credit: Fundraising Effectiveness Project by Giving Tuesday

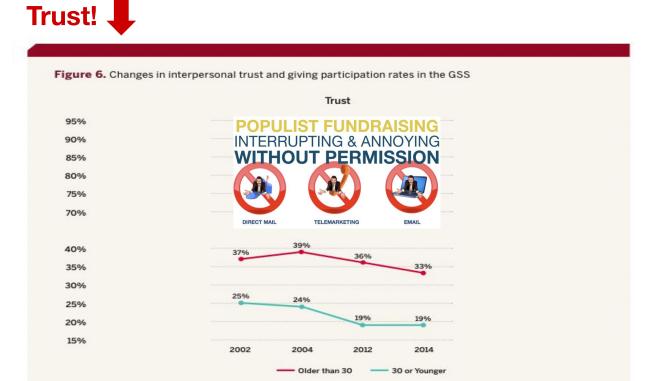




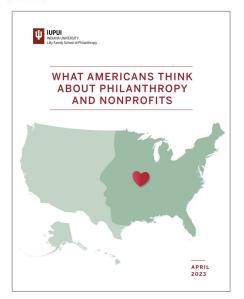




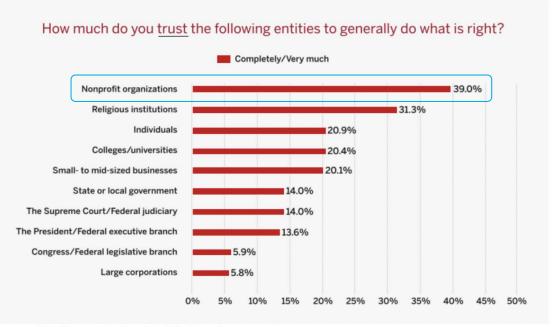
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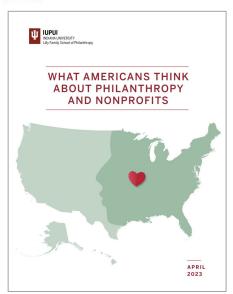
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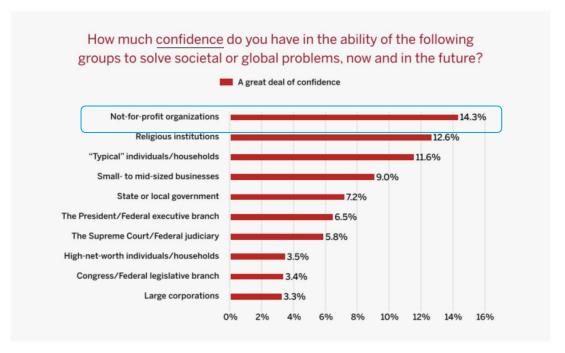
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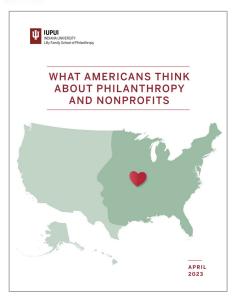


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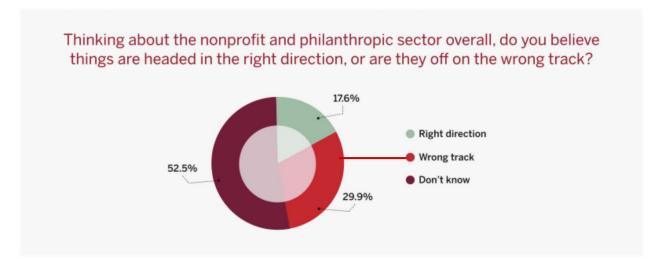


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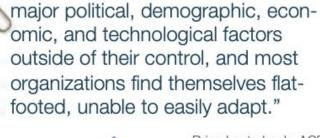
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"Giving is increasing because of larger gifts from richer donors. Smaller and mid-level donors are slowly but surely disappearing—across the board among all organizations."

Elizabeth Boris Chair of the Growth

In Giving Initiative



"Nonprofit organizations in the United

States are now being **challenged** by

Network for Good.

Brian Lauterbach, ACFRE Vice President of Programs & Collective Impact

WHY CONSIDER AUTOMATION? Fundraising is getting more expensive





Acquisition costs are skyrocketing Staff salaries are increasing



Low-dollar donors will give less Major donors will become wealthier

How can you do more and raise more with less?

OPTIMIZE YOU WITH TECHNOLOGY!



CAUTIONARY TALE



Had 9,000 stores at their peak in 2004.

Today, they have ONE store—in Bend, Oregon.

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

REVENUE

REVENUE PER EMPLOYEE



85,000 \$6 Billion

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BLOCKBUSTER VIDEO	85,000	\$6 Billion	\$70,588
NETFLIX	8,600	\$20 Billion	\$2,325,581

Netflix leveraged technology to generate over 32 times more revenue per employee than Blockbuster.

Technology is the key to success!

Automation technology is the key to gift officer optimization!

TECHNOLOGY FOR COMMUNICATIONS Introducing marketing automation software



CRM/DONOR MANAGEMENT

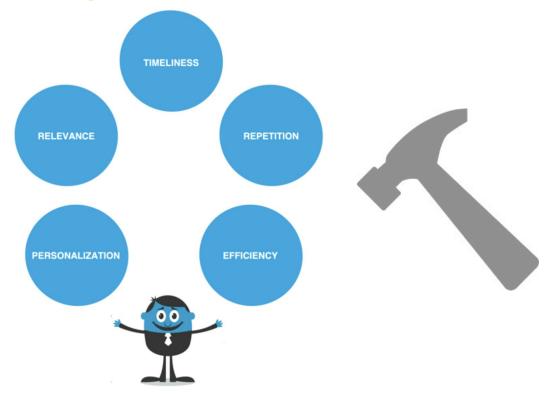
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EVENT MANAGEMENT

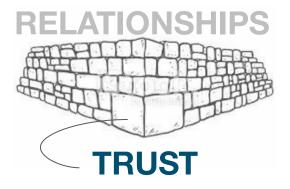
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Keys to effective marketing communications



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Set-it-and-forget-it one-off emails

Autoresponders (especially thank you emails)

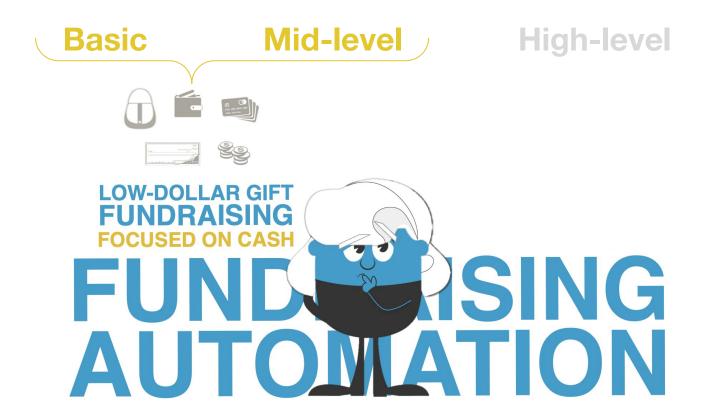
Supplying giving receipts

Basic Mid-level High-level

- + Increased personalization
- + Simple 'drip' (triggered) email series
- + Reporting of metrics

WHAT CAN YOU AUTOMATE?

3 types of automation



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Basic Mid-level **High-level MAJOR & LEGACY GIFT**

Ability to create marketing assets such as landing pages and microsites, and forms

Ability to automatically segment and manage lists in hyper-specific ways

Sophisticated personalization

Dynamic, relevant online content

WHERE SHOULD YOU START?

Basic Mid-level

High-level

Focus on assets, not cash!



January 2023 Data

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Daily analysis of \$129 billion in charitable giving using data from 15,000+ organizations

Basic

Mid-level

High-level













MAJOR & LEGACY GIFT FUNDRAISING FOCUSED ON ASSETS

Improve how you:

- 1. Engage major donor prospects
- 2. Prioritize them for caseloads (portfolios)

REMOVE MUNDANE. MAJOR GIFT STAFF'S DUTIES!

Where major gift staff excel

- Meeting major donor prospects
- Building relationships
- Facilitating philanthropic giving

What causes failure & high turnover

- Overworking GOs with tedious tasks
- Forcing them to attend meetings
- Making them help with events
- Making them feel undervalued or unappreciated
- Sending them on wild-goose chases and fool's errands
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2017 study conducted by Ruffalo Noel Levitz asked nonprofit gift officers:



What % of newly assigned prospects do you feel are **truly qualified** to be in your major and/or planned gift donor pool?



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SCALE YOUR CULTIVATION, QUALIFICATION & PRIORITIZATION EFFORTS

From: To:

Date: Tue, 12 Jan 2021

Subject: You are defending the natural world

Dear ,

I just wanted to say thank you.

You're a wonderful friend and supporter and a true activist for a sustainable future. Thank you for everything you do.

Years from now, future generations will look back and thank you, too, just as we look back in gratitude to those who came before us. We are so grateful for all you do!

Sincerely,

P.S. Please remember, my job is to learn about your needs and interests and help connect you with information. Please don't hesitate to get in touch or, if you prefer, you can always explore more here.





I've been supporting a host of groups for years--this was the most gracious acknowledgment I ever received--good work!

Tell your supervisor I said to keep you on staff.

Your mother brought you up right!

Hope your new year is off to a good start--and better days ahead,

Many blessings and peace,



Dear John,

Personalized salutation.

I noticed that you engaged with us recently saying, first, that you:

Personalized based off of what we learn in the respondents survey response.

- 1. Found intentionally investing in someone's life by spending time in the word, in prayer, and everyday life most valuable to you
- 2. You are considering a legacy gift to sustain and advance The Navigators' ministry for generations to come.

1-to-1 from a gift officer.

Did you know that there are other Navigators and disciple makers who have already made the decision you're thinking about now? You can read their stories here.

Blessings!

Brian

Brian Kinney | Gift Planning Officer, CFP® PO Box 6000 | Colorado Springs, CO 80934 1-888-283-0157

mylegacy.navigators.org

Different senders based off of geographic region.

Replies go directly to your inbox.

Call to action to VIP Microsite that is tracked and scored



This email expresses gratitude while delivering your CEO's engaging report "from the field." We should continue to use more authentic, personal video reports in future Efforts.

- ✓ 41.5% Opened
- ✓ 20% Clicked

Dear {{ subscriber.name }},

I thought you might like to see this video our President and CEO, Collin prepared for supporters like you, reporting from the field on the deadly red tide in Florida. You can watch the video here.

You'll see that Collin isn't just another CEO stuck in the board room. Far from it. He's a hands-on activist working on behalf of conservationists like you every day to protect wildlife and wild places.

{{ subscriber.name }}, thank you so much for standing with us.

Sincerely,

DONATE

P.S. Collin asked that I or another one of our wildlife enthusiasts be your personal connection to the National
. We will occasionally send you stories and updates on conservation issues. If you'd like to send
us feedback, please do!

Nicole, can we chat please?

Jodi Stoken, Child Crisis Arizona <Jodi.Stoken@childcrisisaz.org> To: ndelgiorno@imarketsmart.com

Wed, Aug 4, 2021 at 8:39 AM

Dear Nicole,

Why is protecting children and serving families in need so important to you?

If you have a moment, I would sincerely like to learn about what inspired you to support our mission and connect you with information about what we're doing here at Child Crisis Arizona on your behalf. Input from partners like you is so valuable, and I would love to hear more about your vision for children, youth and families in Arizona.

I hope you'll reply. Or, you can simply use this link to schedule a time that is convenient for you to chat. I look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Jodi Stoken, CFRE, CAP Chief Development Officer work 480-834-9424 direct 480-304-9458





\$4.5 million donation

AUTOMATION FOR RAISING MAJOR GIFTS OF ASSETS

Scale your operation

Benefits

- One Gift Officer can perform like 9
- Generate 'hot' major donor prospect leads
- Cultivate 'cool' prospects > 'warm' > 'hot'
- See where prospects click online to help qualify
- Prioritize your outreach based on who is 'hot'
- Have the prospects set appointments on your calendar

AUTOMATION FOR RAISING MAJOR GIFTS OF ASSETS Retain staff (and attract A-players)

Hard and soft costs you incur every time you look to hire a new major gifts fundraiser:

- Recruitment costs: advertising, recruitment firm commissions, interviewing time
- Training costs: time spent on-ramping and getting them up to speed
- Management costs: your management time is money, too
- **HR costs:** performance plans, onboarding, offboarding
- **Legal costs:** especially because fired workers sometimes sue their former employers
- Equipment and facility costs: computers, office, cybersecurity
- Travel costs: air, train, car, hotel, dining and per diem
- Benefits costs: health insurance, vacations



AGENDA REVIEW

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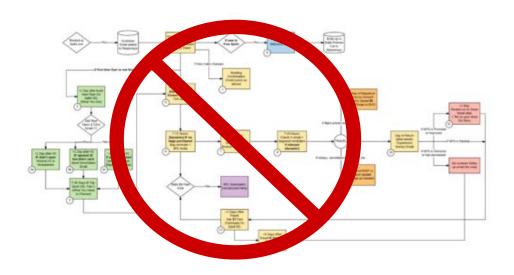
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TOP SECRETS SECRET Donor journeys?





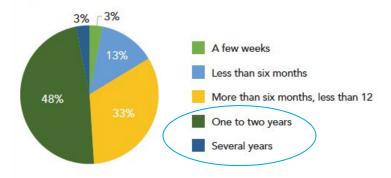
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Weeks or months

Months or years

Figure 21: Time from prospect identification to gift close (n = 98)







Checklist for automated emails that build trust



FUNDRAISING AUTOMATION

Better question: Can you afford NOT to?



the best thing we've ever done!"

BJ Dorman Senior Director Legacy Gifts The Salvation Army



Better question: Can you afford NOT to?





doubled our results at half the cost"



Better question: Can you afford NOT to?



"The results have been amazing."

Amy Goldman, Vice President of Planned Giving, City of Hope



CAN YOU AFFORD TO INVEST IN AUTOMATION? Better question: Can you afford NOT to?



"People are **reaching out to me,** instead of the other way around! How refreshing is that!"

Cheryl Smoot, National Assistant Vice President, Individual & Planned Giving



Better question: Can you afford NOT to?



"\$60 returned for every \$1 invested and we haven't even really scratched the surface yet."

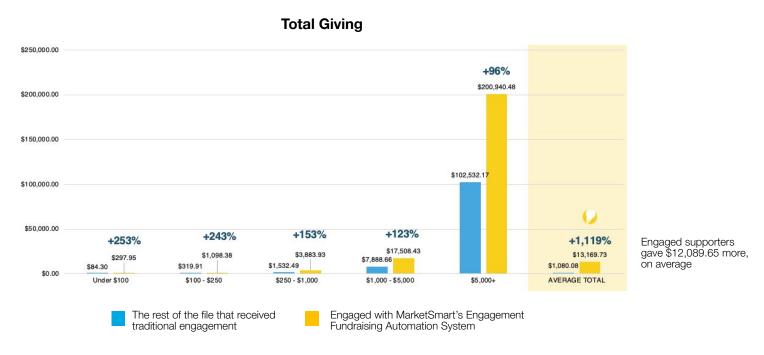
Jonelle Beck, Executive Director of Estate & Gift Planning, University of the Pacific



CASE STUDY



TOTAL GIVING

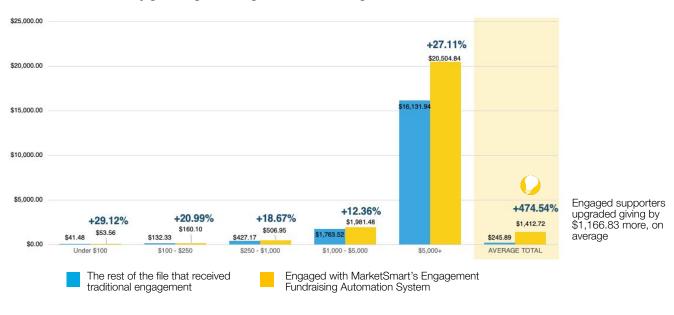


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UPGRADE\$

Upgrading: Average Annual Giving Increases

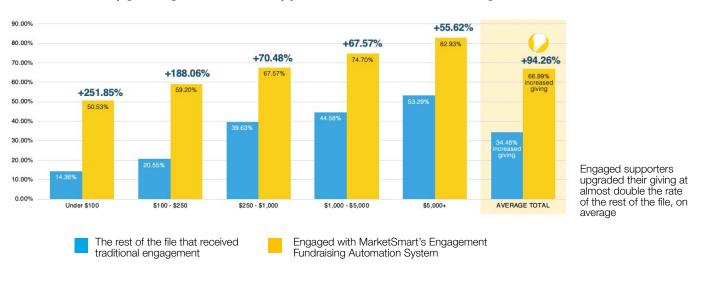


At every giving level, individuals engaged by MarketSmart's Engagement Fundraising System increased their giving by more than the rest of the file (+474.54% more on average).



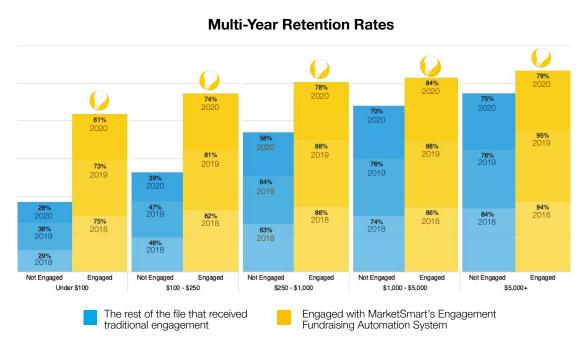
UPGRADE %

Upgrading: Percent of Supporters with Increased Giving



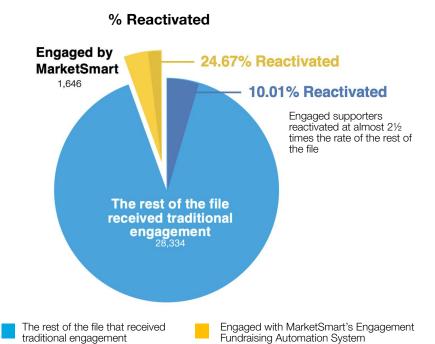
At every giving level, individuals engaged by MarketSmart's Engagement Fundraising System upgraded at greater rates (+94.26% greater on average) when compared with the rest of the file.

MULTI-YEAR RETENTION



At every giving level and in every year, individuals engaged by MarketSmart's Engagement Fundraising System retained at greater rates than individuals in the rest of the file.

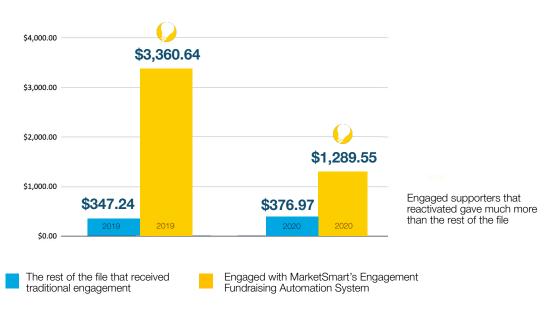
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Individuals engaged by MarketSmart's Engagement Fundraising System reactivated their giving at a higher percentage compared to the individuals in the rest of the file.

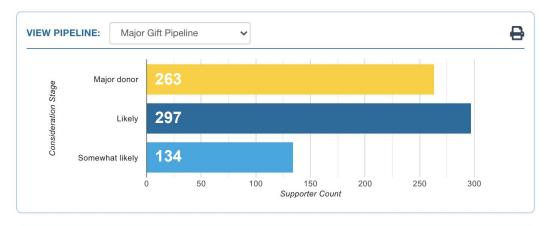
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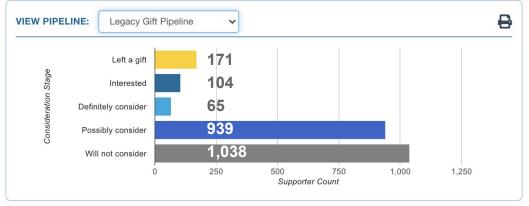
Average Reactivation Donation



Individuals engaged by MarketSmart's Engagement Fundraising System that reactivated their giving did so while giving substantially more than individuals in the rest of the file.

PIPELINE





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Major Giving Potential

This **potential major gift revenue** is based on an estimated \$10,000 major gift amount and conservative close rates.

694 supporters indicated likelihood

134 Somewhat Likely (25% close) = \$335.000

297 Likely (50% close) = \$1,485,000

263 Major Donors (75% close) = \$1,972,500





PIPELINE

Legacy Giving Potential

It is generally accepted that the average bequest amount in the US and Canada is around \$35,000. Some sectors like healthcare, arts & culture, and higher education report average planned gifts 3 to 4 times that amount.*

One supporter documented their gift online and disclosed it's value at **\$250,000**.

939 Might Consider (10% close) = \$3,286,500

65 Definitely Consider (50% close) = \$1,137,500

104 Considering Now (75% close) = \$2,730,000

171 Legacy Donors (90% close) = \$5,386,500



RETURN ON INVESTMENT PROJECTIONS

REVENUE FROM ENGAGED SUPPORTERS

\$21,677,376

Does not include top .05% of donors (outliers)

ENGAGED PIPELINE (potential revenue):

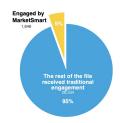
\$16,333,000

Potential major giving funnel revenues if closed = \$3,792,500 Potential planned giving funnel revenues if closed = \$12,540,500

TOTAL REVENUE FROM ENGAGED SUPPORTERS + PIPELINE = \$38,010,376

Total investment in MarketSmart (2015 - March 2021) = \$374,883

EXPECTED RETURN ON INVESTMENT = \$101.40:\$1



IMPORTANT NOTE: THE LARGEST GIFTS WERE NOT INCLUDED In an effort to normalize the data (reduce skewing), we removed the top ½% (.005) of donors making the largest gifts (approximately 20 per year) thereby eliminating donations of \$100,000 or more.



CONCLUSION

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Turnkey, 'done-for-you' fundraising automation



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"Warm up the unassigned for outreach."

PROSPECT IDENTIFICATION



"OVERWHELMED BY THE DATA"



"MOSTLY WENT UNUSED"



"DONORS WERE **NOT READY** TO MEET OR GIVE NOW"



"WE NEED MORE ACTIONABLE INFORMATION TO HELP US LAND MORE MEANINGFUL MEETINGS

....NOT MORE DATA!"

BE THE FUNDRAISER YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO BE





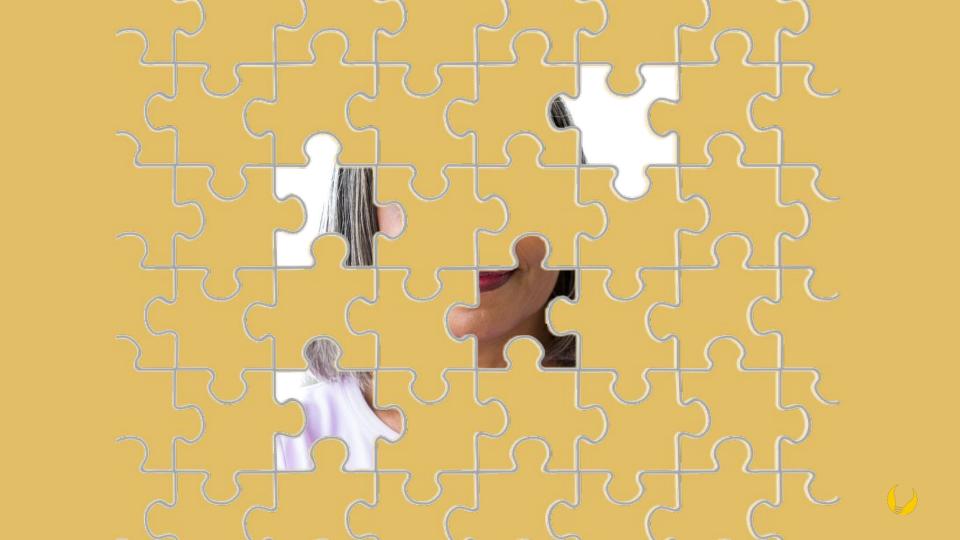
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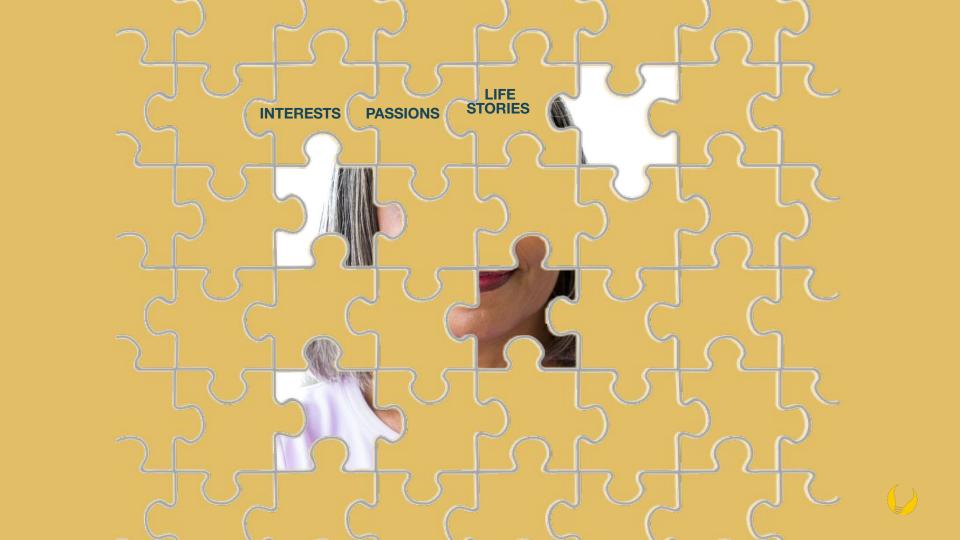


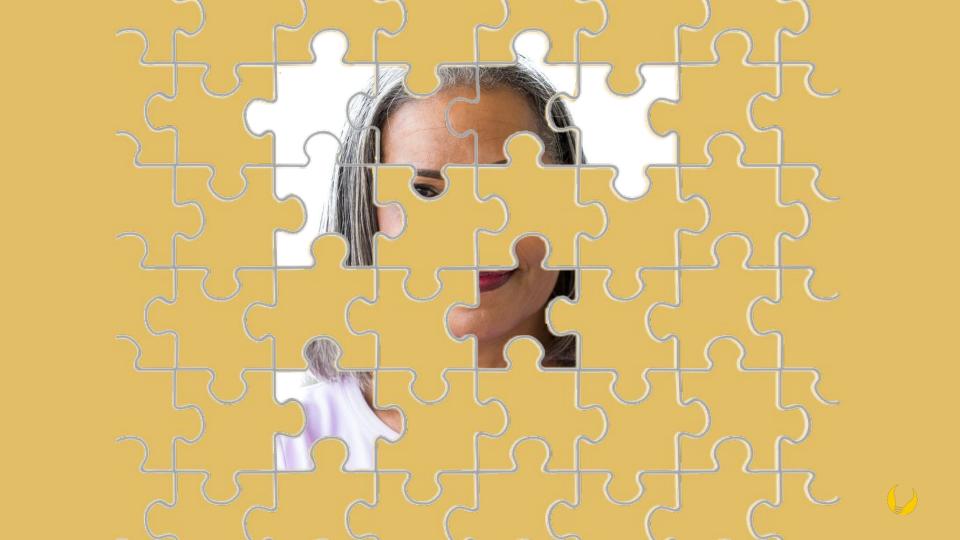
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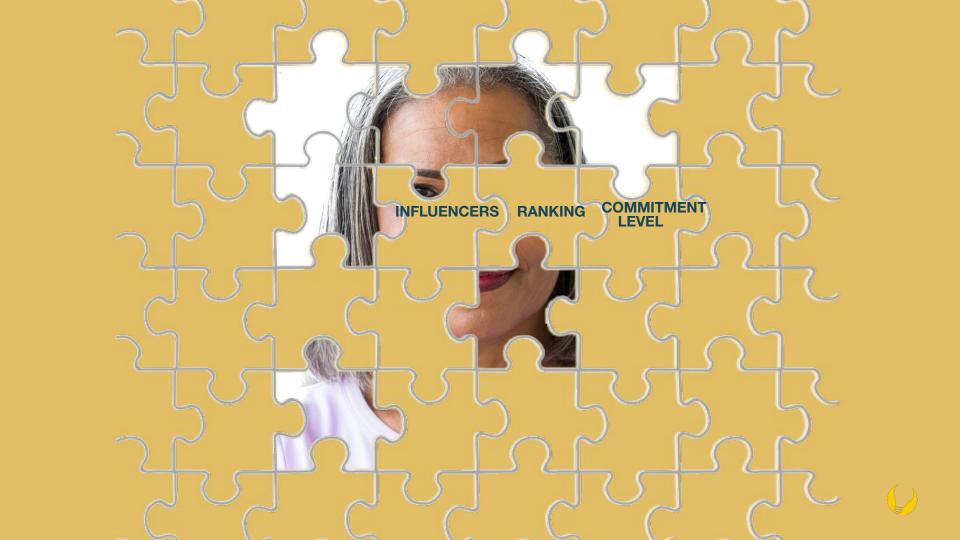


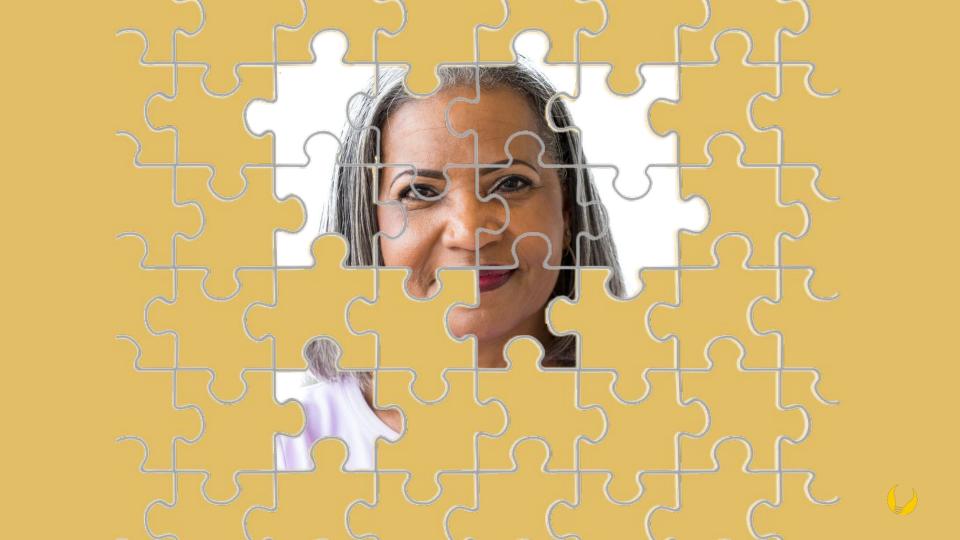




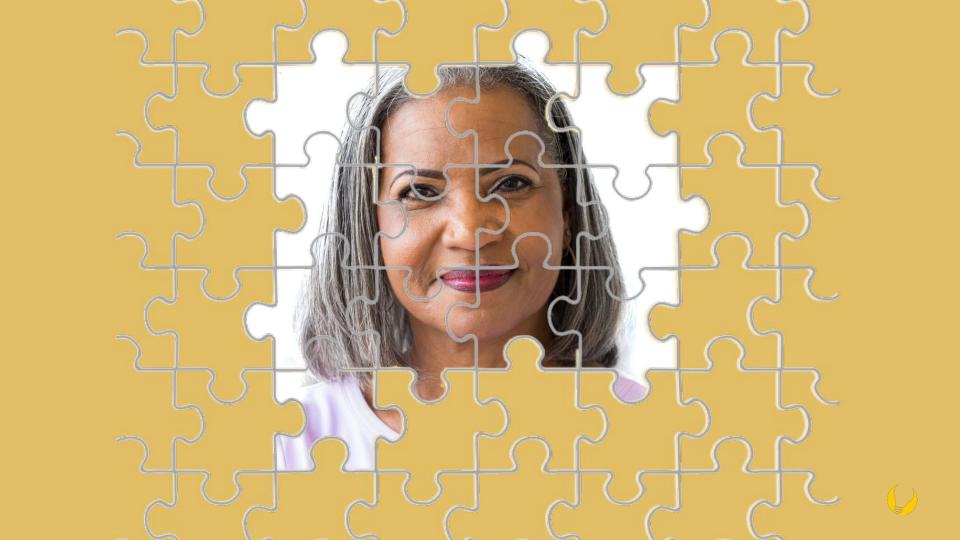




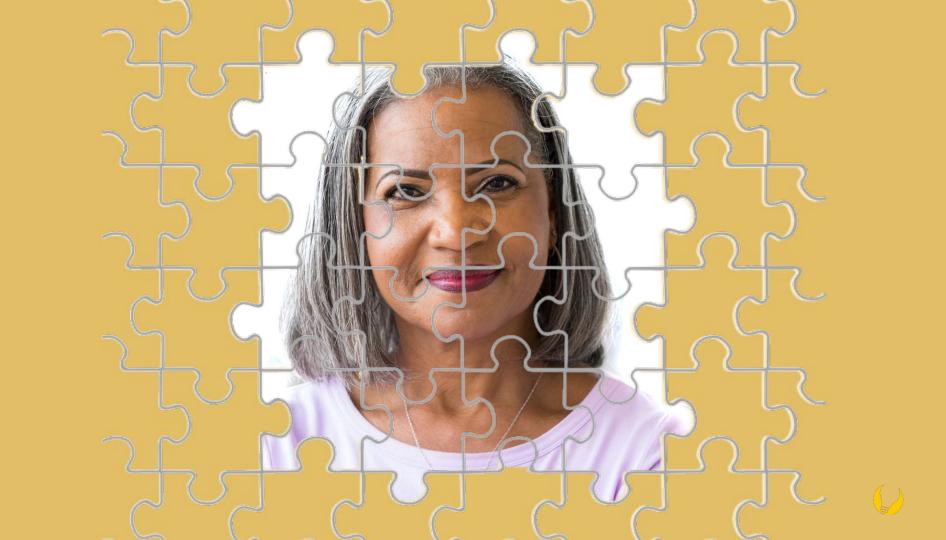














PROSPECT QUALIFICATION



A PROVEN SYSTEM

Start with a **SURVEY**



Online landing pages



Online opt-in forms or surveys

Tech-enabled donor discovery at scale

Automate your **EMAILS**



Build trust, grow relationships & drive engagement with highly relevant cultivation

Engage with **EFFORTS**



Increase donor interest & desire with novel, value-oriented **efforts**

Prioritize with your **DASHBOARD**



Prioritize outreach based on recency of engagement, passion, interest & capacity





Meet & facilitate giving

A PROVEN SYSTEM

1. Zero-in on people who are ready to engage with you now



2. Cultivate tons of prospects effortlessly





Return on investment Immediate ROI

(Return on investment)

10x

Lifetime value ROI

(Return on investment)

100x





OPPORTUNITY ANALYSIS

100% FREE WITH NO STRINGS ATTACHED



Quantities, counts and amounts

along with current lead allocation



Collected from millions of surveys sent to supporters of MarketSmart's customers

MARRY WITH OUR



what is likely to occur



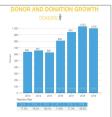
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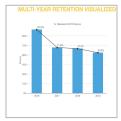


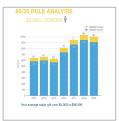
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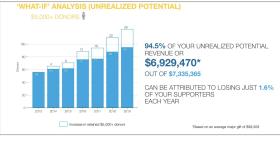






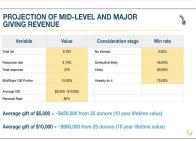






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QUESTIONS?

































