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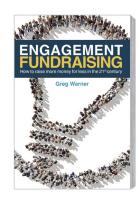






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Housekeeping

Recording & slides will be sent to all attendees & registrants

Questions will be answered at the end of the presentation





Today's Agenda

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What you can automate?

3 types of automation?

Where you should start?

My key secrets to success

Case study / results / ROI

Quick promo

Q & A

Survey

WHY CONSIDER AUTOMATION?



Save money

Save time

Be more efficient/productive

Be more effective/gain ROI

Reduce employee turnover (combat the myth)





WHY CONSIDER AUTOMATION?

Fundraising is getting harder





% share of Americans who donated

ALL SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS

Most occurred AFTER the Great Recession (2007-2009)

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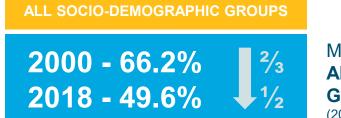
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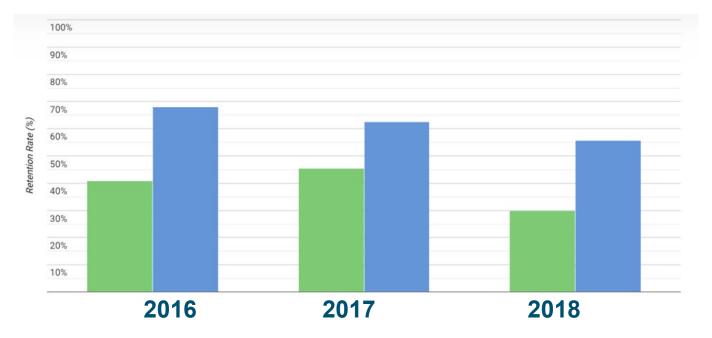
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Average \$ amount Americans gave

2000 - \$1,790 2018 - \$1,280



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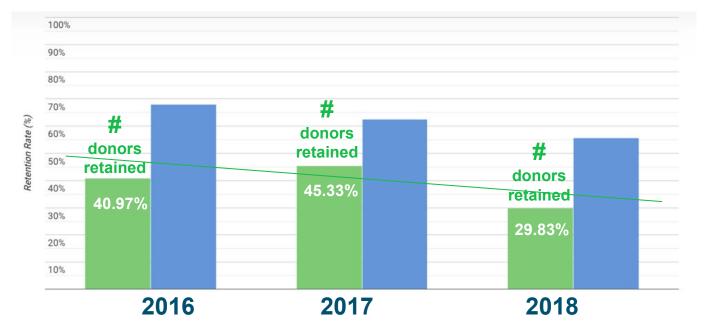


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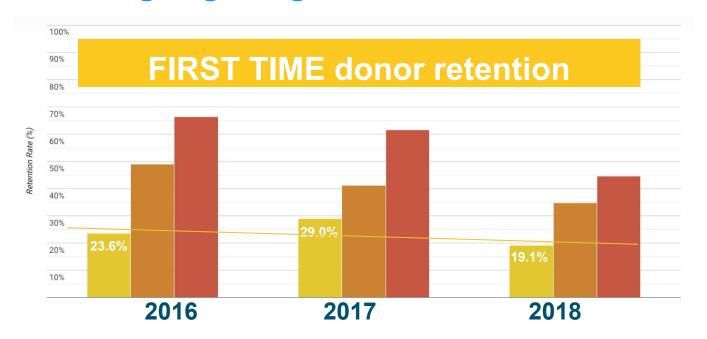
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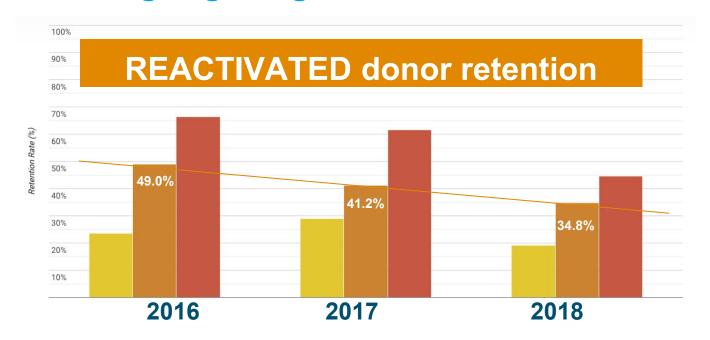
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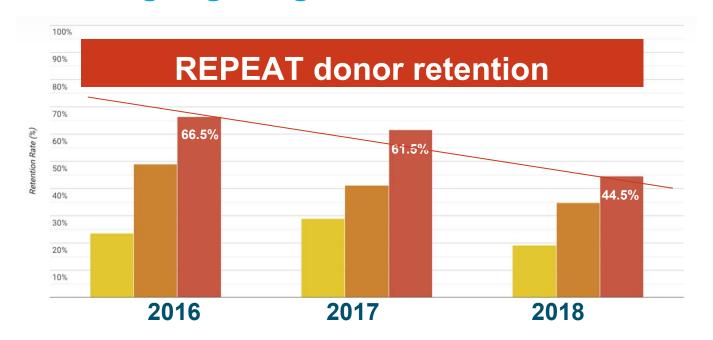




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Strong retention and high LTV donors Over \$5,000 donors



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High dollar

80/20 rule is now **72/.**74

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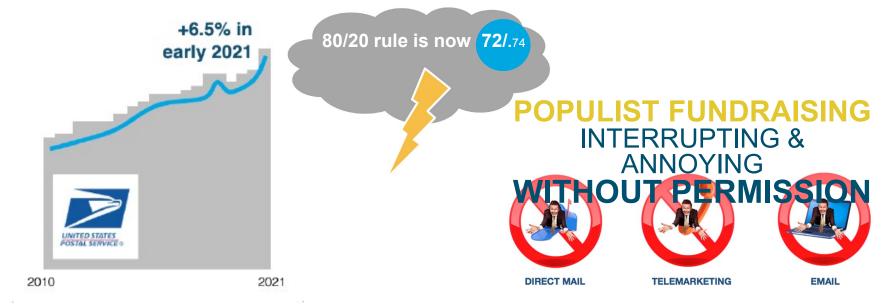
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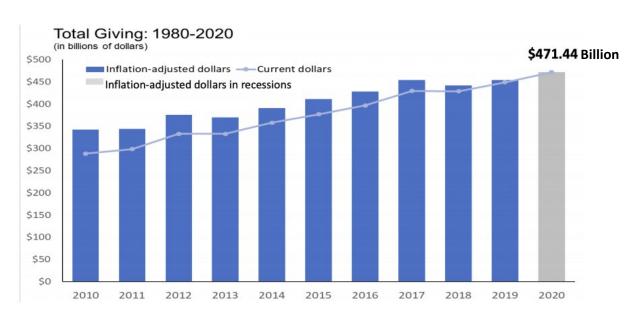
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Yet total giving has increased









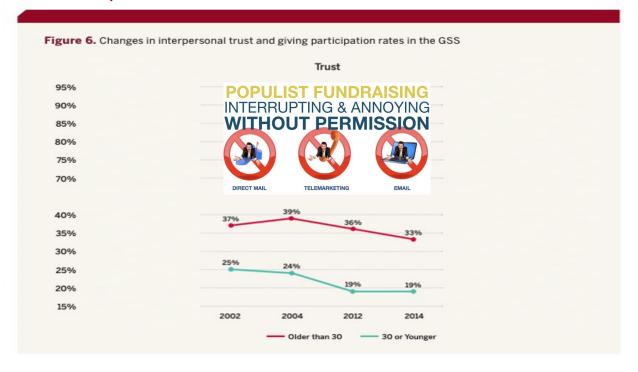
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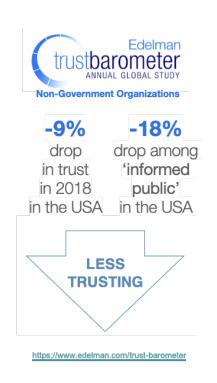


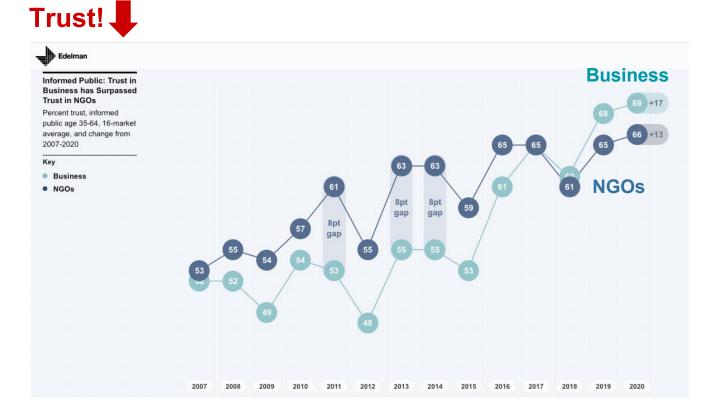
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"Giving is increasing because of larger gifts from richer donors. Smaller and mid-level donors are slowly but surely disappearing—across the board among all organizations."



Elizabeth Boris Chair of the Growth In Giving Initiative "Nonprofit organizations in the United States are now being **challenged** by major political, demographic, economic, and technological factors outside of their control, and most organizations find themselves flatfooted, unable to easily adapt."

Network for Good.

Brian Lauterbach, ACFRE Vice President of Programs & Collective Impact

How can you do more and raise more with less?

TECHNOLOGY!



Cautionary tale



Had 9,000 stores at their peak in 2004.

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

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REVENUE

REVENUE PER EMPLOYEE



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Technology is the key to automation!

Automation is the key to more costeffective communications

TECHNOLOGY FOR COMMUNICATIONS Introducing marketing automation software



CRM/DONOR MANAGEMENT

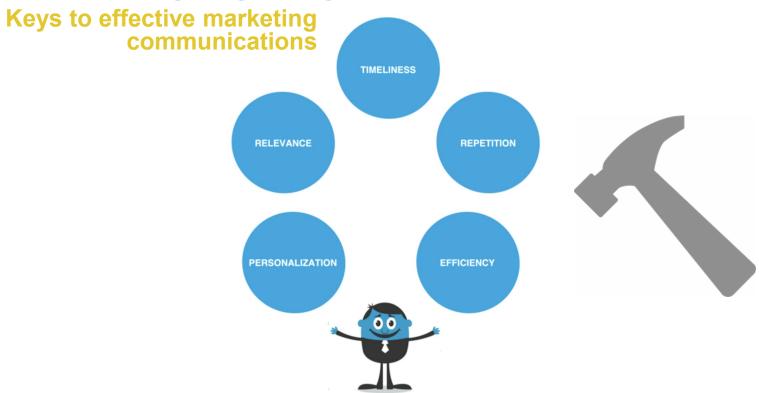
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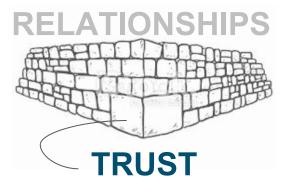
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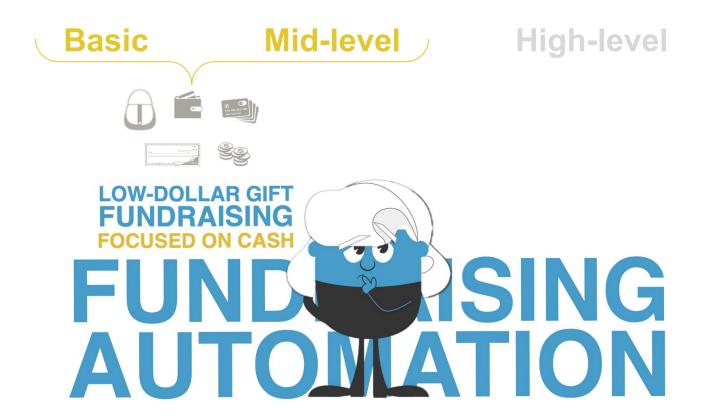
Set-it-and-forget-it one-off emails

Autoresponders (especially thank you emails)

Supplying giving receipts

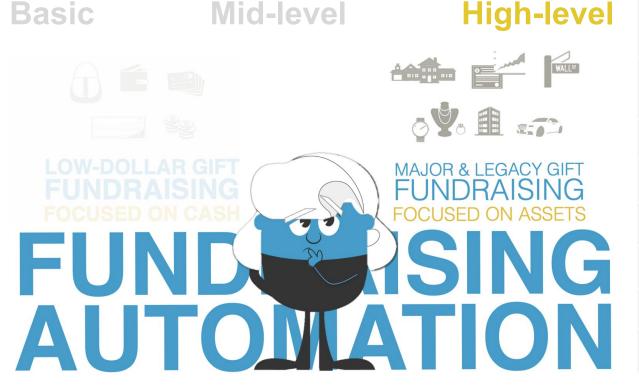
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- + Increased personalization
- + Simple 'drip' (triggered) email series
- + Reporting of metrics



WHAT CAN YOU AUTOMATE?

3 types of automation



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

Complex campaign workflows in line with donor timing

Online engagement tracking to gauge interests

Robust lead scoring based on

Prioritization and real-time notifications

WHERE SHOULD YOU START?

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MAJOR & LEGACY GIFT FUNDRAISING FOCUSED ON ASSETS

Improve how you:

- 1. Engage major donor prospects
- 2. Assign caseloads

Where major gift staff excel

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

What causes failure & high turnover

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- Forcing them to attend meetings
- Making them help with events
- Making them feel undervalued or unappreciated
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 BEST USE CASE



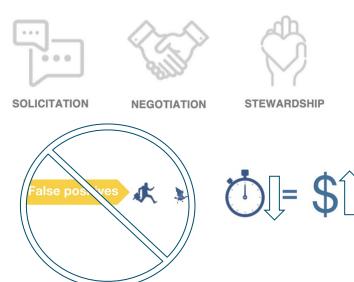
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SCALE YOUR
QUALIFICATION &
PRIORITIZATION
EFFORTS



AUTOMATION FOR RAISING MAJOR GIFTS OF ASSETS Example #1

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,



AUTOMATION FOR RAISING MAJOR GIFTS OF ASSETS Example #2

Personalized

salutation.

Dear John,

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

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

- 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



AUTOMATION FOR RAISING MAJOR GIFTS OF ASSETS Example #3

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 O'Mara, 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 Wildlife Federation. We will occasionally send you stories and updates on conservation issues. If you'd like to send us feedback, please do!

AUTOMATION FOR RAISING MAJOR GIFTS OF ASSETS Example #4

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 legacy gift

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



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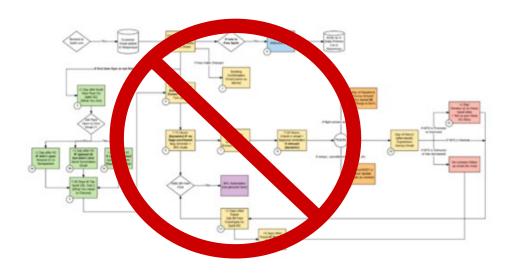
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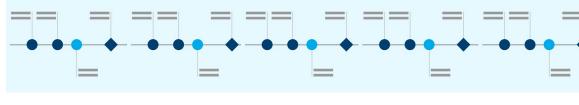
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TOP SECRETS SECRET Donor journeys?

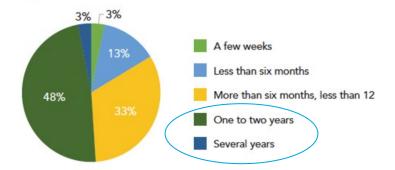




Weeks or months

Months or years

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



TOP SECRETS SECRET



Checklist for automated emails that build trust

- **√** Text only
- ✓ Be informal/colloquial/warm
- **√** Make it about them (be relevant)
- ✓ Make it easy to read/no jargon!
- ✓ Provide an offer that delivers value
- $\sqrt{\ }$ Include a <u>link</u> to that offer
- \mathscr{I} Make sure they can respond to you
- √ Incorporate a calendar link
- **✓ NEVER ASK FOR MONEY!**



FUNDRAISING AUTOMATION

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



the best thing we've ever done!"

BJ Dorman Senior Director Legacy Gifts The Salvation Army



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doubled our results at half the cost"



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"The results have been amazing."

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



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"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



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"\$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



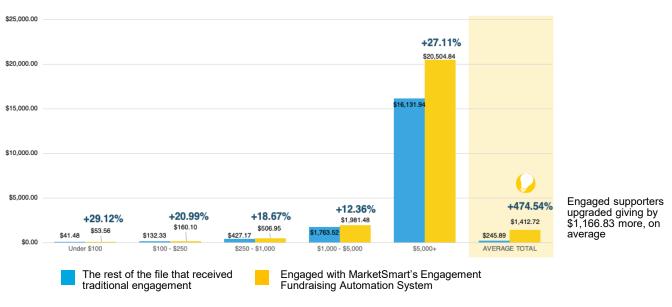
TOTAL GIVING



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UPGRADE \$

Upgrading: Average Annual Giving Increases



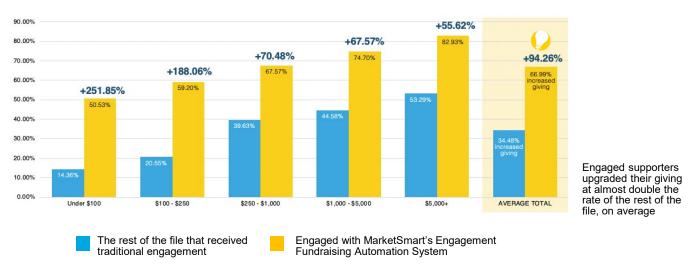
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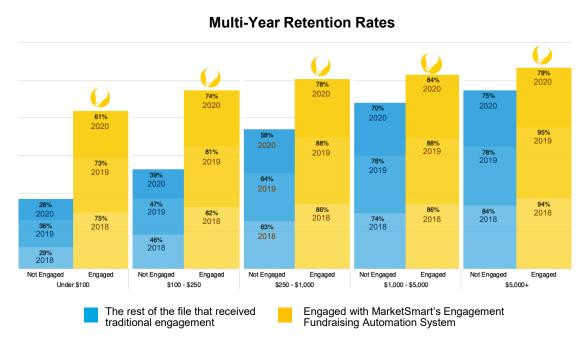
UPGRADE %

Upgrading: Percent of Supporters with Increased Giving



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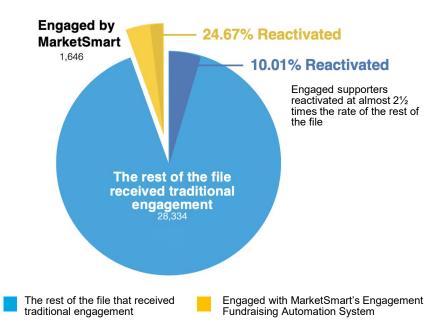
MULTI-YEAR RETENTION



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.

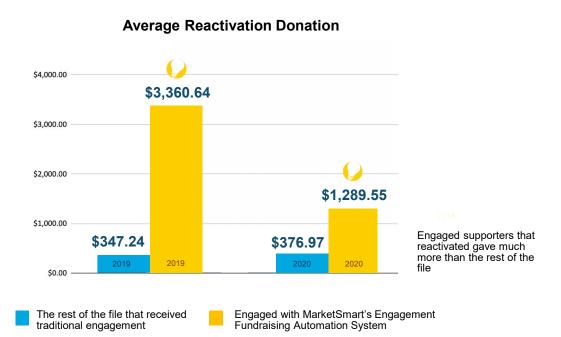
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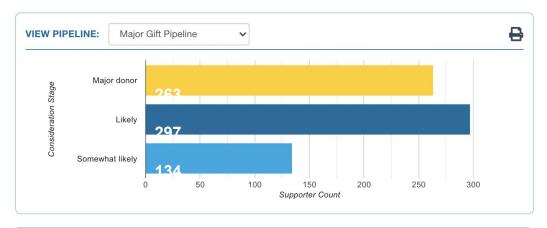


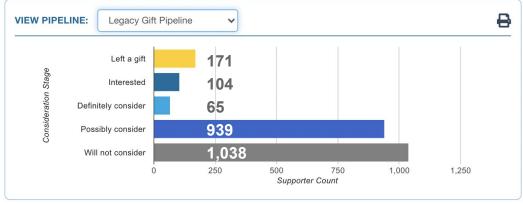
Individuals engaged by MarketSmart's Engagement Fundraising System reactivated their giving at a higher percentage compared to the individuals in the rest of the file.

REACTIVATION \$



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

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

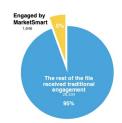
Does not include top .05% of donors (outliers) **ENGAGED PIPELINE (potential revenue):**

Potestia 1833 rolling 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 =



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.

\$101.40:\$1

\$101.40 projected to be returned for every \$1 invested.



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ABOUT US 'Done-for-you' fundraising automation



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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 MEETINGSNOT MORE DATA!"

BE THE FUNDRAISER YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO BE



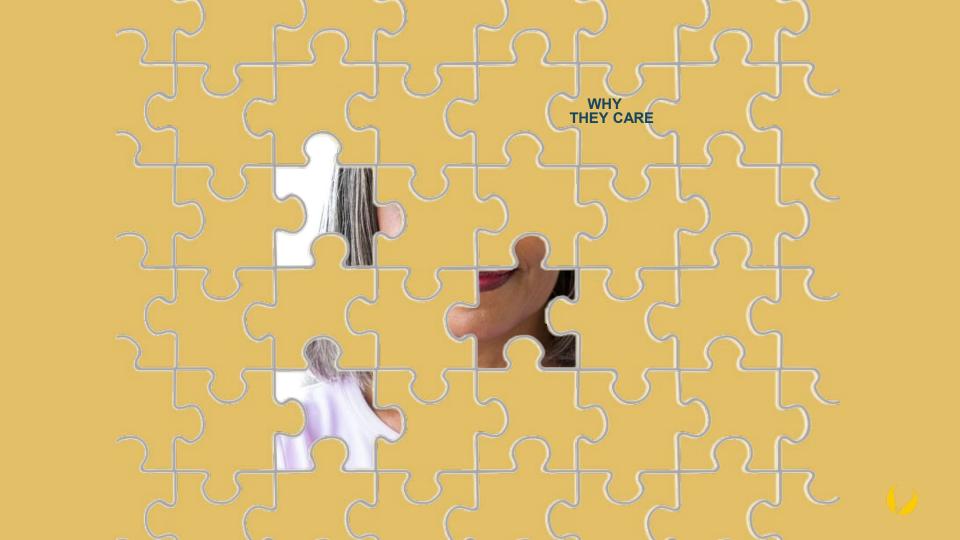


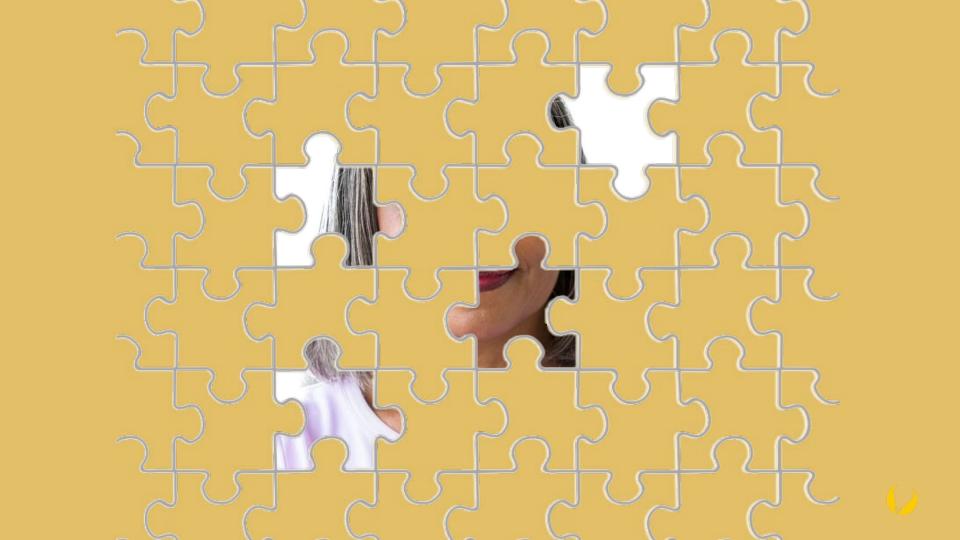
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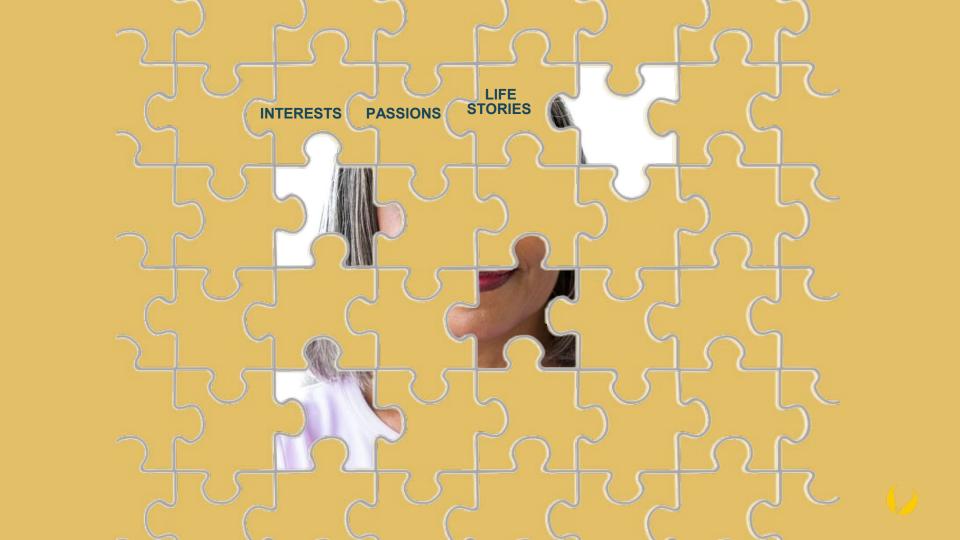


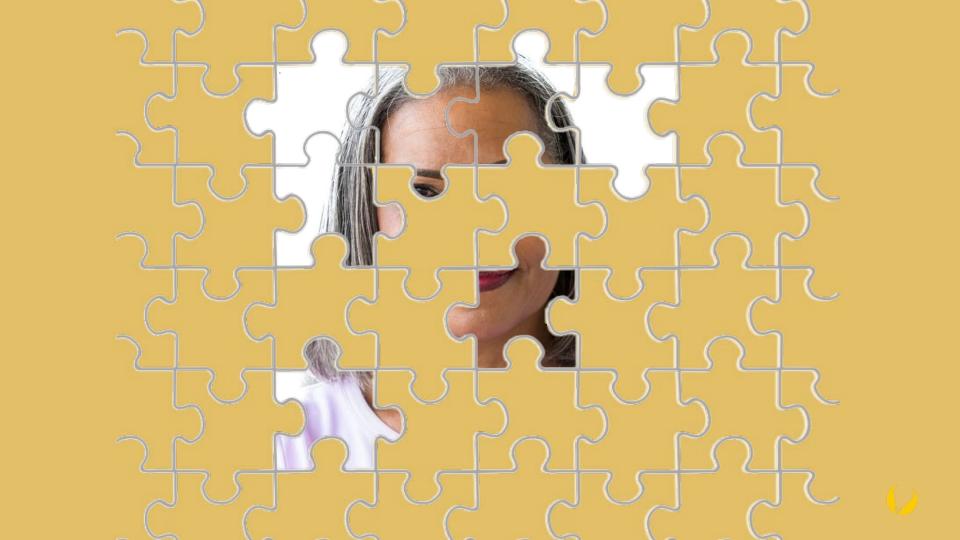
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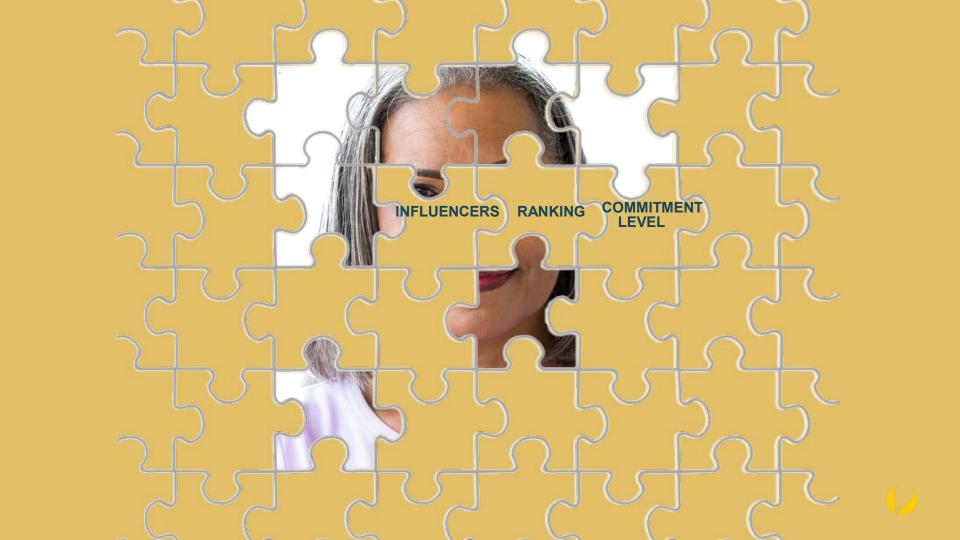


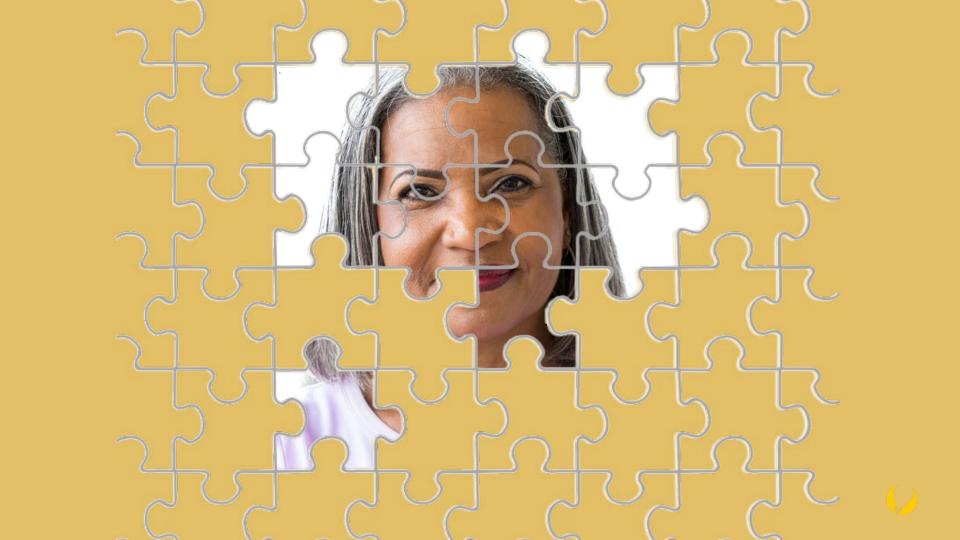


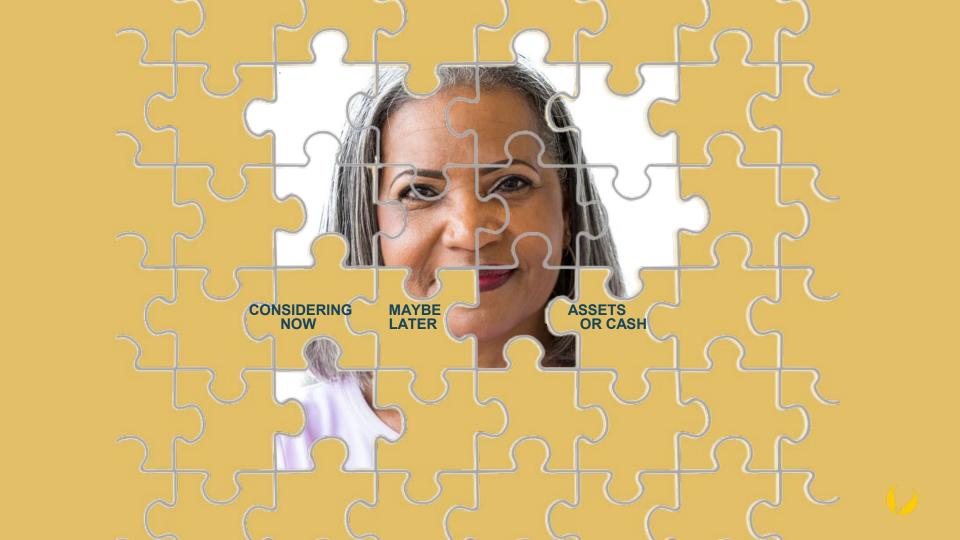


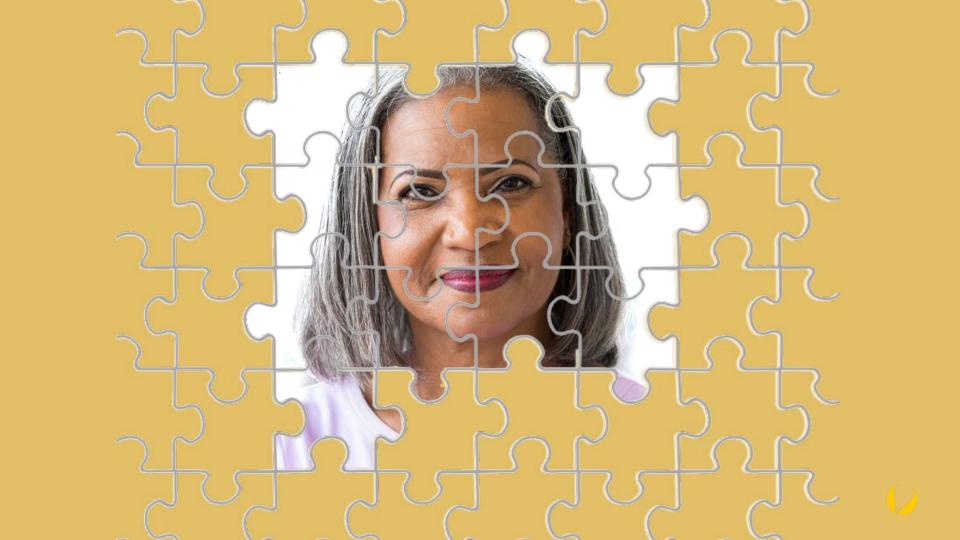




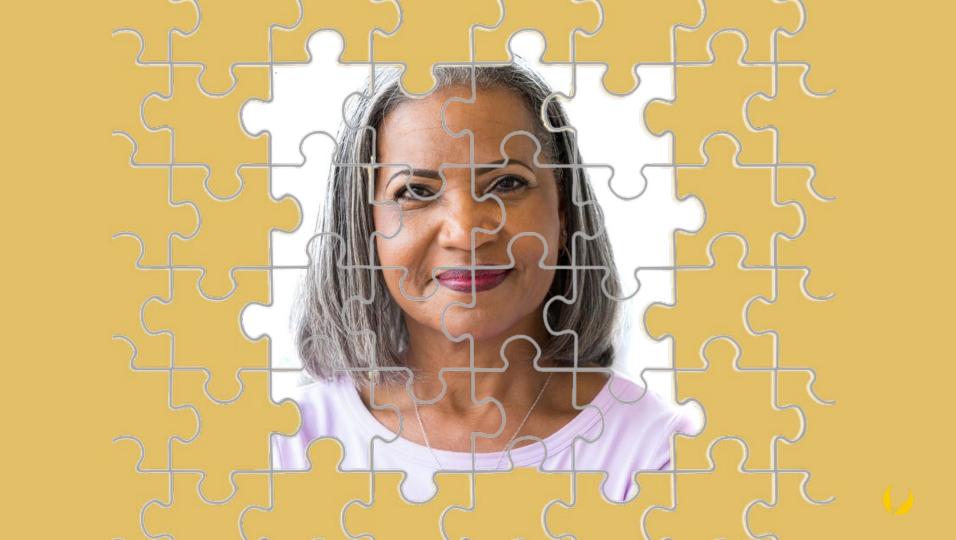














PROSPECT QUALIFICATION



A PROVEN SYSTEM

Start with a **SURVEY**



Online landing pages



Online opt-in forms or surveys

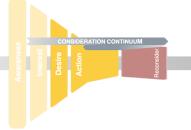
Tech-enabled donor discovery at scale

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





Return on investment Immediate ROI

(Return on investment)

10x

Lifetime value ROI

(Return on investment)

100x





OPPORTUNITY ANALYSIS

100% FREE WITH NO STRINGS ATTACHED



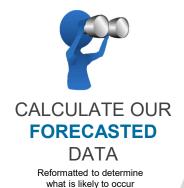
Quantities, counts and amounts

along with current lead allocation



MARRY WITH OUR SURVEY DATA

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





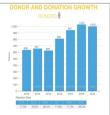
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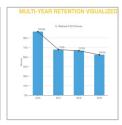


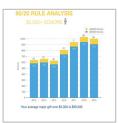
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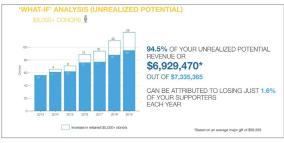








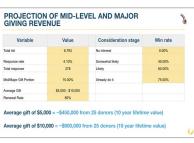




This model simulates the following response rates:

- 5% response rate from email surveys sent to 1,880 donors (94 responses)
- 3% response rate from email surveys sent to 4,000 non-donors (120 responses)
- 7% response rate from print surveys sent to 913 donors (64 responses)

= 278 responses (4.1% response rate)



Variable	Value	Consideration stage	Win rate
Total solicitable list	6,793	No interest	1.0%
Total Email	5880	Deferred interest	15.0%
Total Direct Mail	913	Immediate interest	60.0%
Email Response rate	3.64%	Gift disclosed	95.0%
Direct Mail Response rate	7.00%		
Overall Response rate	4.09%		
Total response	278		
Average Bequest	\$50,000.00		





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