# Online Fundraising 2020 Research-Backed Strategies to Grow Virtually

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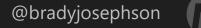




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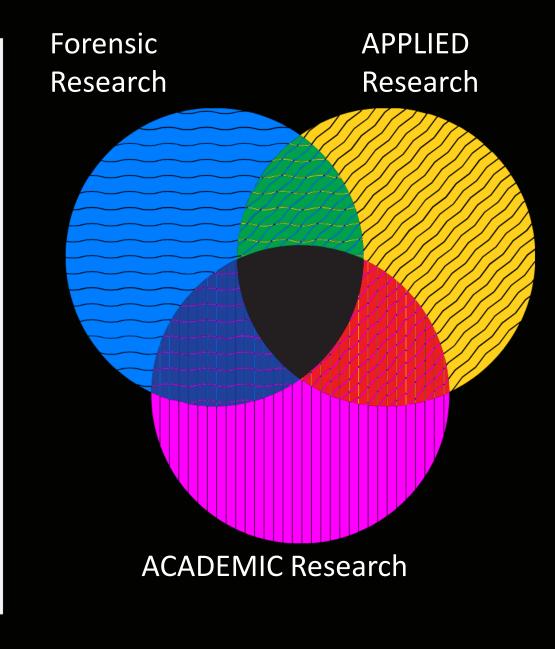


# **WARNING!** *There's a lot in here... get your pencils ready...*





### **OUR APPROACH**



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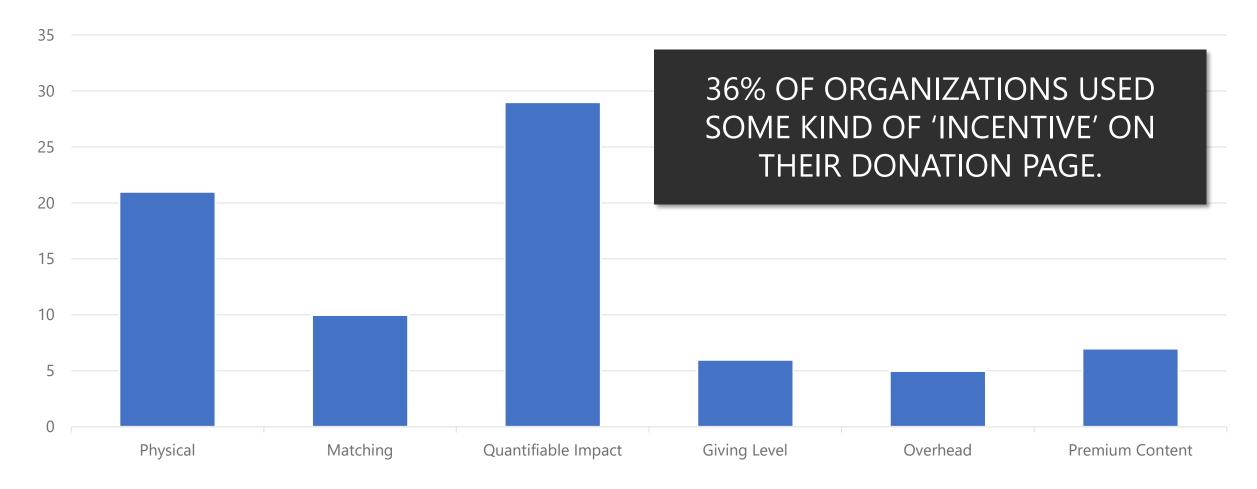
### **PROCESS.**

**5 DATA POINTS FROM THE THANK YOU PAGE.** 



Get it at: stateofdonationpages.com

# Which Incentives Were Used?

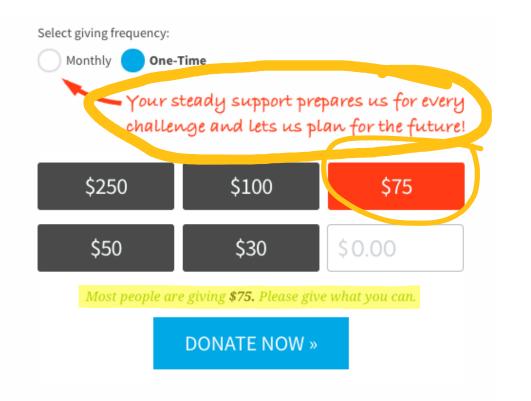


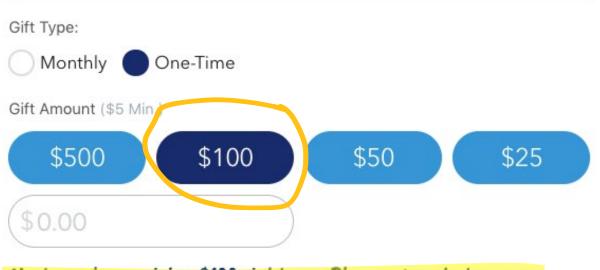




### **Social Proof and Nudges**

### LIKE THIS





**OR THIS** 

#### Most people are giving \$100 right now. Please, give what you can.





INTERESTING





The State of Nonprofit

Donation Pages



# **EXAMPLE ARE ORGANIZATIONS DOING?**







How increasing clarity in the value proposition and creating differentiation in the call-to-action affects new site signups



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Date Added: July 3, 2019 Research Partner: CaringBridge Element tested: Name Acquisition Copy

CaringBridge wanted to increase the number of new journal sites that were created from the homepage, primarily from mobile devices (which constituted the majority of traffic). After an initial review of the homepage, a few potential issues were identified. First, new site signups were not prioritized-"visiting a friend" was above it in the visual hierarchy. On mobile, the headline "Start your free website" and the call to action "Start a site" were right next to each other, with no description in between. In fact, most of the value proposition was actually below the call to action. They decided to create two treatments- The first treatment used a visual image of someone using a computer to access CaringBridge -to reinforce the feeling that a CaringBridge site creates. Second, a new call-to-action was used: "Create a site", instead of "Start a site", to emphasize that the site was new. Finally, the headline was changed to clarify what CaringBridge offered-"Personal, protected websites for every health journey". This copy was on the treatment, but was secondary to the headline "Share, Connect and Rally Support". They wanted to also see if "help text" would further increase conversions. They knew this would vary based on the visitor's familiarity with CaringBridge, but they added additional bullet points of copy, as well as personalizing the headline to reflect what CaringBridge can do for you, the visitor: "Start your free, personal CaringBridge site today". They launched a three-way test to determine which experience drove the most new site signups from the homepage.

#### View the experiment »

#### How a video ad increased email acquisition rate



Date Added: July 3, 2019 Research Partner: The Heritage Foundation Element tested: Advertising

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promoting their "What You Need to Know about Religious Freedom" ebook, we wondered what impact a video-based ad would have on our ability to acquire emails and donors.

View the experiment »

#### How the placement of a donation ask in an article impacts donor conversion



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> Date Added: June 27, 2019 Research Partner: EWTN Element tested: Advertising

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#### FILTER BY AREA OF FOCUS

- Advertising (245)
- Emails (192)
- Email Acquisition Pages (162)
- Donation Pages (202)

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View the experiment »

#### How visually emphasizing a gift amount on a primary 13.8% lift donation page impacts revenue



Date Added: June 27, 2019 Research Partner: The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate Element tested: Donation Page Form

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View the experiment »

#### How an additional design element affected registrations Not Valid from a webinar email

#### Date Added: June 27, 2019



Research Partner: NextAfter Element tested: Name Acquisition Copy

The majority of our emails are hyper-personal and text only. But recently, we've seen digest-style emails perform better using some basic design elements including simple images and HTML buttons. We believe the reason for this is that our emails can be very heavy. And if you're not reading every line, a design element can quickly show what the offer is and provide a clear call-to-action. In this case, we wondered if a similar approach could help improve registration rates in our webinar invitation emails.

#### View the experiment »

#### How creating a longer "process" impacted desktop 🛛 🕂 -39.5% drop donor conversion



Date Added: June 27, 2019 Research Partner: Alliance Defending Freedom Element tested: Donation Page Copy, Name Acquisition Form

In an effort to improve downstream donor conversion of people signing the statement of belief on the ADF blog, we decided to test out a new way to frame the process. The current control had the first step of signing the statement of belief and then the second step was a thank you page with a donation form on it. Our

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#### How visually emphasizing a gift amount on a primary donation page impacts revenue

Experiment ID: #16415

#### The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate are a Roman Catholic congregation of priests and brothers founded after the French Revolution by St. Eugene De Mazenod to work among the poor. Today there are nearly 4,000 missionaries working in more than 60 countries around the world.

#### Experiment Summary

#### Timeframe: 4/16/2019 - 6/14/2019

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#### Research Question

Can we increase average gift and overall revenue by visually emphasizing a specific gift amount?

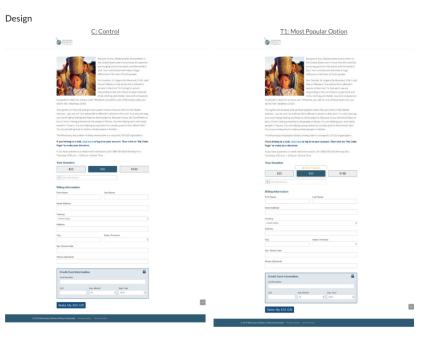
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This experiment was validated using 3rd party testing tools. Based upon those calculations, a significant level of confidence was met so these experiment results are valid.

#### Flux Metrics Affected

The Flux Metrics analyze the three primary metrics that affect revenue (traffic, conversion rate, and average gift). This experiment produced the following results:

% increase in traffic
 × 7.8% increase in conversion rate
 × 14.9% increase in average gift
 23.8% increase in revenue

#### Key Learnings

We were able to increase overall revenue from the primary donation page by 24%. By visually emphasizing the gift and noting it as the "most popular", we eliminated some of the decision process friction in making a gift and increased the average gift on the page. Additionally, we saw an even stronger increase in revenue (44%) for people on mobile devices. This learning has a significant impact on revenue for the organization.

#### Share this research with a colleague

Our mission is to help elevate the field of fundraising by openly sharing our research and inspiring a wider community of testing and optimization. If you have found our research to be helpful, insightful, or even just interesting – please share it with a fellow fundraiser,

# **APPLIED RESEARCH.**

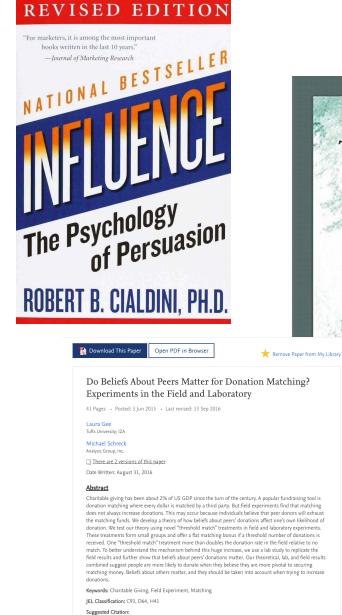
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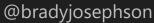




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**OF GIVING** EXPERIMENTAL APPROACHES TO THE STUDY OF CHARITY





# **Social Proof:**

Also called 'consensus' or 'social influence', it is a psychological and social phenomenon wherein people copy the actions of others in an attempt to undertake behavior in a given situation.

### **Robert Cialdini's Famous Washroom Experiment**

CONTROL

**TREATMENT 1** 

Environmentally focused message

75% of our guests reuse their towels at some time a

their stay, so please to so as well In Towel Reuse

**TREATMENT 2** 75% percent of people who have stayed in this



35% OF PEOPLE WILL REUSE

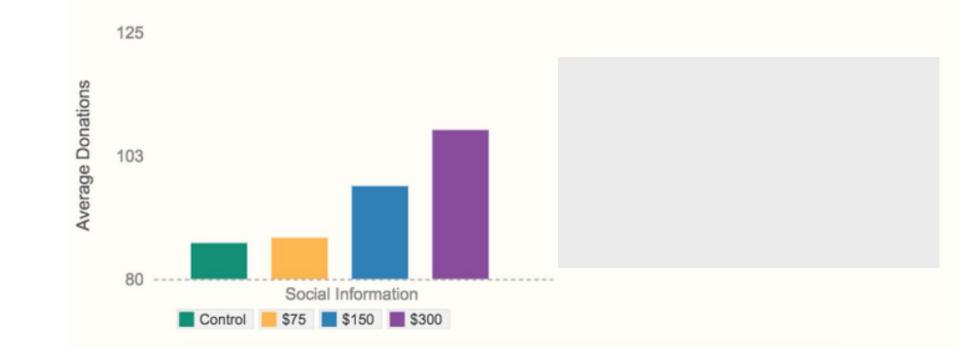
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#### FIELD EXPERIMENTS IN PUBLIC RADIO

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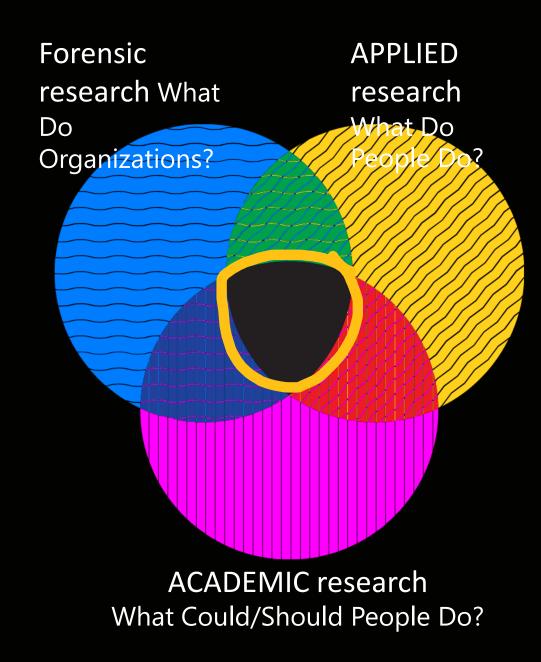






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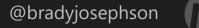
# Try using social proof and 'social nudges' to increase donations, average gift, and recurring donors.



# **Today:** Not about how to do online fundraising but to give you ideas and information to focus in your online fundraising efforts and try new things based on research in 2020.



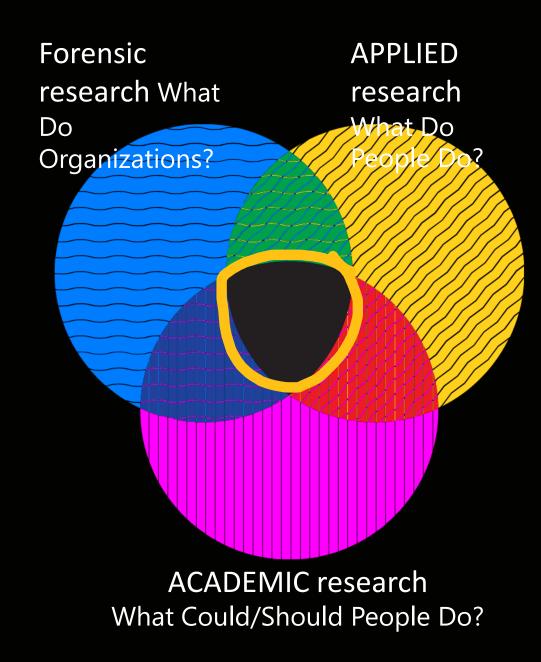
# What about COVID-19?





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# CORONAVIRUS NONPROFIT FUNDRAISING RESPONSE TOOL.

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#### **Coronavirus** Nonprofit Fundraising Response



#### Nonprofit Fundraising Data to Help You Respond During the COVID-19 Crisis

"How should our organization respond to the coronavirus?"

This has been one of the most common questions being asked by nonprofit fundraisers and marketers. But the truth is that **no one truly knows what the "correct" response is**.

The good news is that data can give us new fundraising and marketing insights to test during this time.

In the charts below, you'll find the latest

- Nonprofit web traffic trends
- COVID-19 related email volume and examples
- Resources to help you improve your fundraising

#### What would you like to see?





#### Nonprofit Email Volume Trends



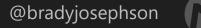


# Online Fundraising 2020

**RESEARCH-BACKED STRATEGIES TO GROW VIRTUALLY** 

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# Here's the big problem.



# **New Donor Retention Rates**

**ONE-YEAR** 

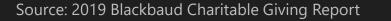




First-year, online-only donor retention rate

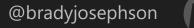


21% of donors <u>acquired with a single</u> <u>gift</u> in 2017 were still giving in 2019.





# We have a communications problem.

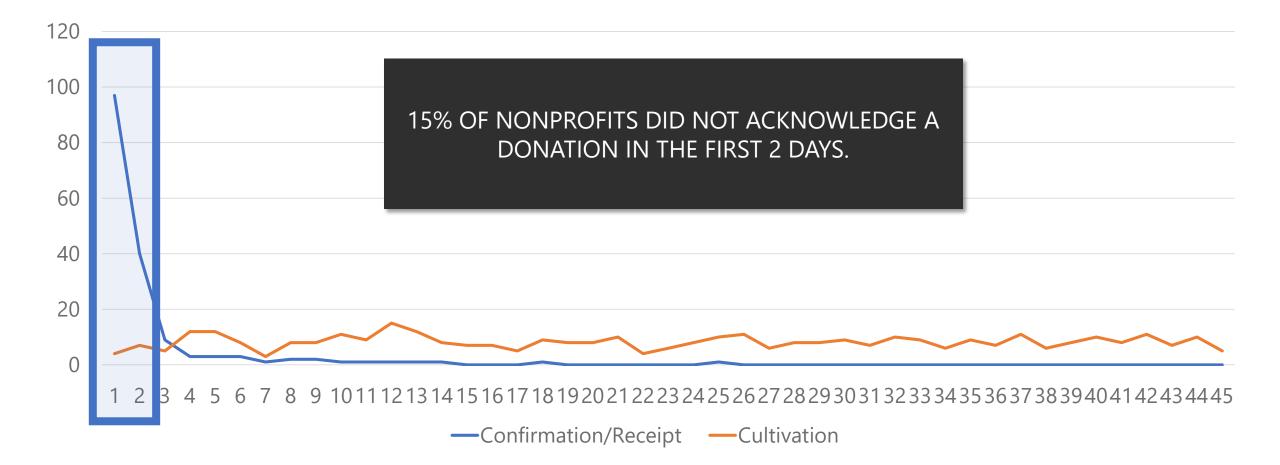




### STRATEGY

# **DO BETTER THANKING**

# **All Email Types to Donor Over Time**



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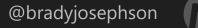
# Make sure your donors are being thanked for their gifts.



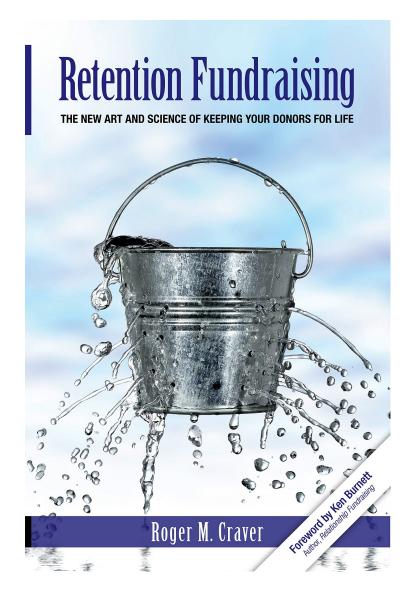
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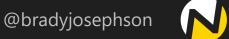


# But how? Message.



- Saying thank you is easy retention win #1.
- It should be timely and confirm the donation was received
- Should focus on
  - Why the gift is appreciated
  - Why the gift matters and
  - How the gift was put to work.





# **Some Good Examples**

### **LIKE THIS**



### Thank you for making Khan Academy possible!

#### Dear Keith Short,

Thank you, thank you! Khan Academy is only possible because of supporters like you. Your gift helps us provide a free, world-class education for anyone, anywhere.

Your card ending in 0299 was charged on March 1, 2019 for your donation of \$20.00.

Your support enables millions of people all around the world—from young children learning to count to aspiring first-generation college students—to access the educational resources they need to reach their potential. Read their stories.

A great education is life changing. Today you have made a difference in someone's life.

Thank you,

Sal Khan Founder and CEO

P.S. Want to do even more? <u>Check to see if your employer will match your donation.</u>

This is your receipt: please retain it for your records. Khan Academy, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, has not provided any goods or services to you in consideration for this voluntary contribution. The donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by United States law. For federal tax purposes, Khan Academy's FEIN is 26-1544963.

> Khan Academy P.O. Box 1630, Mountain View, CA 94042

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### **OR THIS**

Thank you for your gift! Inbox × CULTIVATION STUDY × CULTIVATION STUDY/Donations ×

Fri, Mar 1, 9:15 AM 🏠 🔦

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Food for the Hungry <hunger@fh.org> to edward.hart ~



Dear Edward,

Thank you for your gift of \$20.00 to Food for the Hungry. Right now, you're lifting a life out of poverty. Your generous gift is going to work immediately to help families where it's needed most.

It's because of donors like you that these transformations are possible. You are changing the lives of the world's most impoverished people. I'm so grateful.

To read stories of impact and learn more about our work, please visit our website at th.org and connect with us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. If you have questions about this donation, please call 1-866-307-3259 or email donorhelp@th.org.

Serving together, Gary Edmonds President Food for the Hungry

P.S. I'd love to hear your feedback, if you haven't had a chance yet, will you complete our short survey?

Make your donation go further. See if your employer matches gifts now!

You've donated the following:

Ultimate Impact Fund Frequency: One-Time Amount: \$20.00

Your total donation: \$20.00 Your order ID: 316416 Your Account Number: 2422502051

Food for the Hungry (EIN 95-2580390) is an exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution.

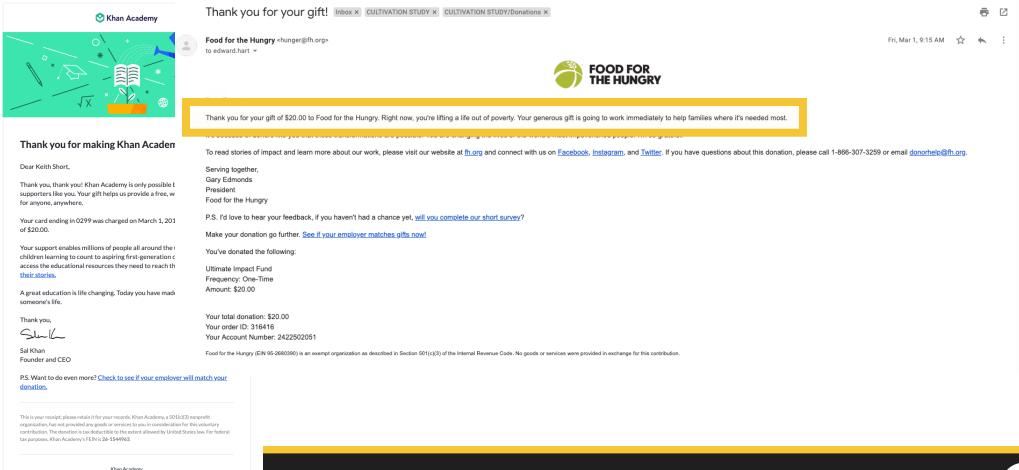


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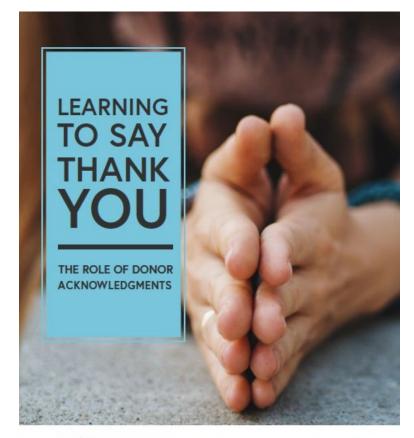
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# Make sure donors are not just acknowledged but thanked with how their donation is needed and being used.



# FROM "LEARNING TO SAY THANK YOU" PHILANTHROPY-CENTRE.ORG/REPORTS





By Jen Shang, Adrian Sargeant, Kathryn Carpenter and Harriet Day September 2018



# Thank-You Communications and the Influence on Engagement and Downstream Behavior

- Goodwill shoppers and members of the rewards club
- Shoppers received 3 thank you email: over a few weeks after their purchase
- Sent a survey 4 months after the first thank-you email

	The control condition	The shopper condition	The community condition
The impact shoppers' actions have on a beneficiary	Yes	Yes	Yes
The role of the shopper in making this impact		Yes	Yes
The impact shoppers' actions have on the Goodwill community			Yes



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### Condition 1

Hello Goodwill Supporter,

### Thank you.

We know that you're used to getting emails about sales and retail events from Goodwill. But this email is meant to just share our thanks.

Thank you for every dollar you spend.

### Thank you for making Round Up donations whenever possible.

By shopping at Goodwill, you create opportunities for Goodwill graduates like Shawntay. This year, she earned her high school diploma from the Goodwill Excel Center and graduated from our Hospitality Training Program. Now, she is a hotel front desk attendant and plans to earn her Associate Degree in Hospitality Management.

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Thanks to you, Shawntay has a new career in hospitality.

But more than that, thanks to you Shawntay has a new chance.

You have given Shawntay a chance to support herself, a chance to feel proud, and a chance to be the best version of herself that she can be.

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Thank you.

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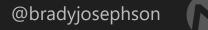
# **Key Findings - Behavior**

Increase In Subsequent Purchases





# People (generally) care more about their impact than the collective impact.

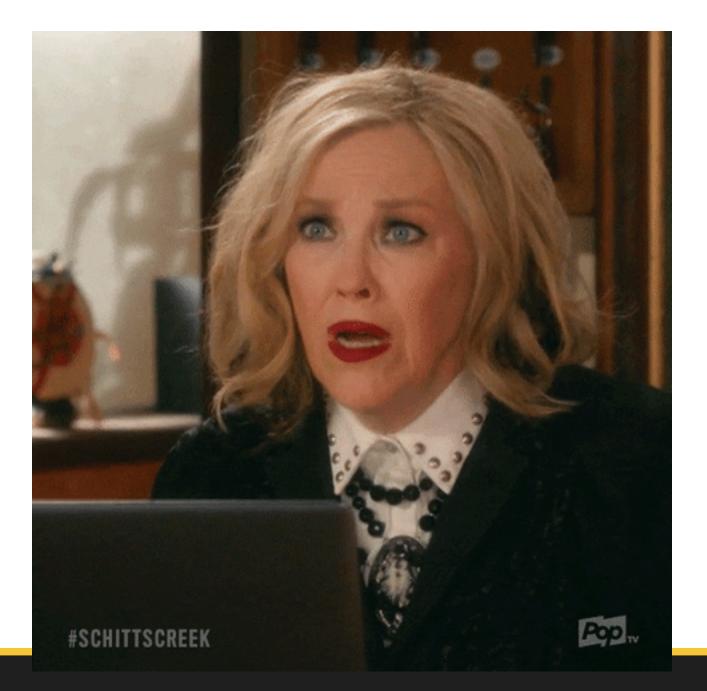


# Try thanking and acknowledging the donor's specific impact — not yours or even the community at large.



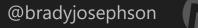
# Your communications — including thank you's — can shape how donors feel about *past* actions and influence *future* actions.





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# But how? Phone.

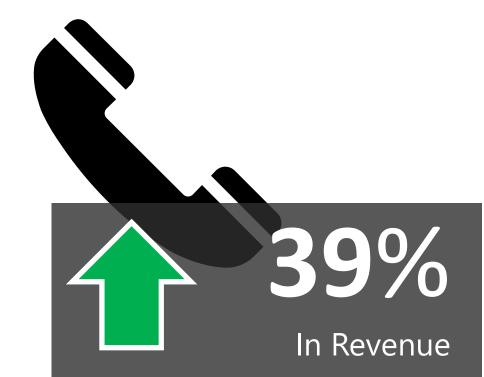


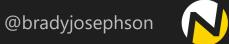
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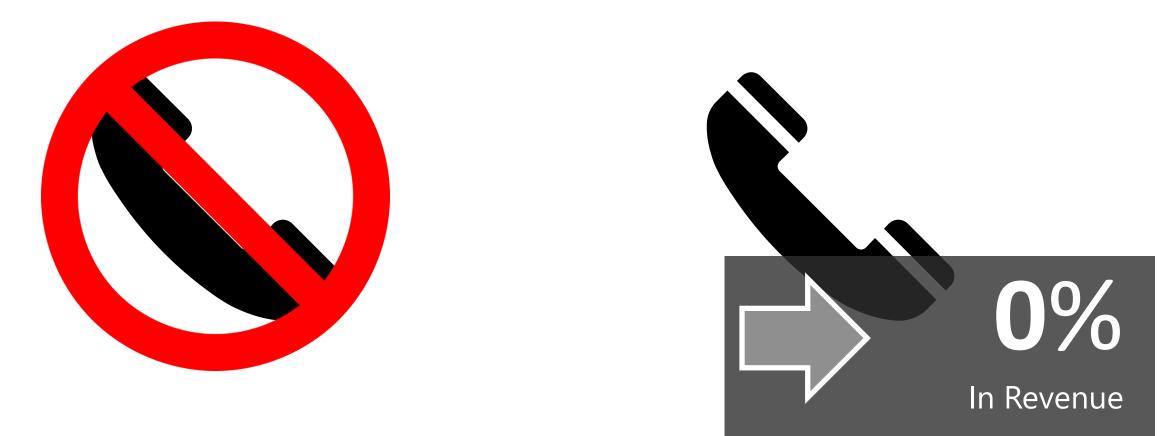


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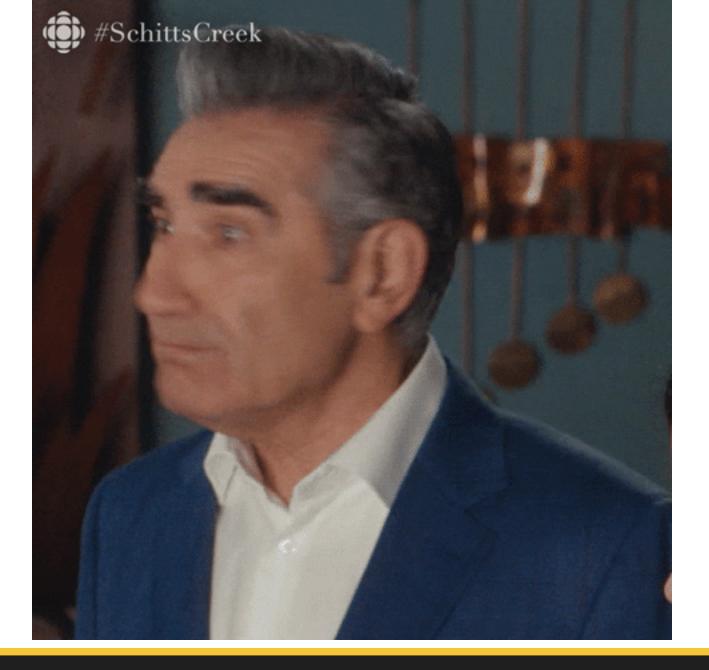
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**THANK-YOU CALL** 





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### THIS

### Do Thank-You Calls Increase Charitable Giving? Expert Forecasts and Field Experimental Evidence

62 Pages · Posted: 13 May 2019

### **BECAME THIS**

Calling donors to thank them doesn't make them more likely to give again

November 25, 2019 10.12am EST



# I JUST WANNA SLAP YOU RIGHT ACROSS THE FACE

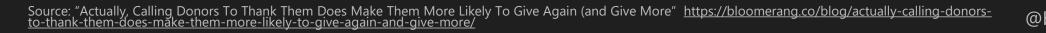
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# What Does Some Other Data Have to Say?



- Bloomerang examined the stewardship habits of a random customer sample:
  - 3,729 nonprofit organizations in the US and Canada and 1,915,939 donors.
  - The organizations span a wide variety of sizes and cause types.
- They looked at first-time donations made between 2012 and 2018, and what effect a phone call or multiple phone calls within 90 days of that first gift made on their retention rates, second gift size and second gift timing.





### Bloomerang Analysis of Thank You Calls Within 90 Days of 1<sup>st</sup> Gift



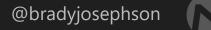




# Try calling your donors to say thanks quickly after their gift and focus on gratitude and their impact.



# Why are you talking about phone... I don't have time... I don't have money...



### 6 FUNDRAISING HACKS YOU CAN USE TO GROW REVENUE THIS YEAR NEXTAFTER.COM/RESOURCES





# **6 Fundraising Hacks**

- 1. <u>Google Analytics</u> To find unexpected content
- 2. <u>Rev</u> Audio transcription
- 3. <u>Fiverr</u> To get designs done on the cheap
- 4. <u>Unbounce</u> Landing page and popup creation
- 5. <u>Optimize</u> Changing the unchangeable pages
- 6. <u>SlyBroadcast</u> The personal-touch done at large scale



# How does it work?

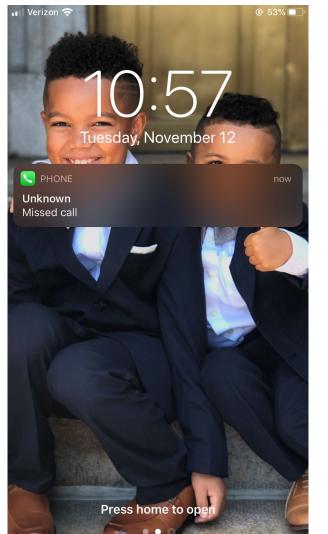
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- 2. Upload or record your voicemail
- 3. Upload recipients
- 4. Send or schedule campaign

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- 1. It does a half of a ring.
- 2. It shows up as a missed call from "Unknown"
- 3. Voicemail is delivered to the top of your voicemail messages with the call back number.



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# Try automated thank you calls to save time and money while being timely.



# **Do Better Thanking Checklist**

Thank donors personally, quickly, and specifically

□Focus on the impact of their gift and how it's already being put to work

□If you call your donors, do so sooner after their donation and focus on gratitude and the difference their donation makes

Try automating your thank you process to include phone calls or voice mails to save time and resources

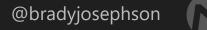




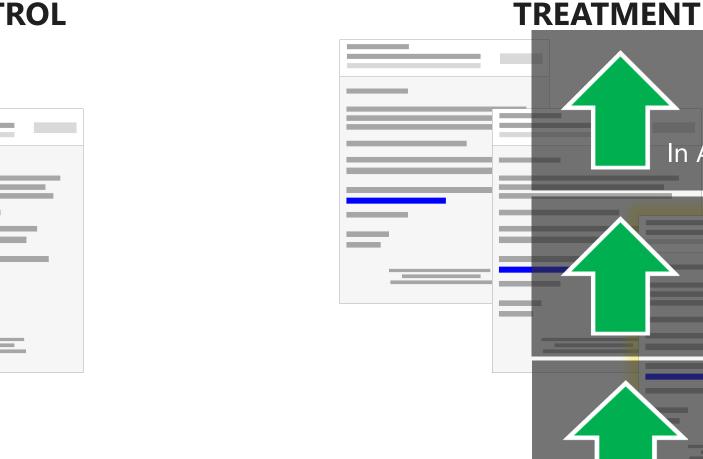
# STRATEGY

# **DO MORE CULTIVATION**

# **Experiment ID: #18608** *How additional cultivation content impacts engagement, donations, and revenue.*



# **How Increasing Cultivation Impacts Revenue**



CONTROL



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80%

8.1%

21%

In Revenue\*

In Donors

In Avg. Engagement

\* Revenue increase has 98% LoC but has not yet reached statistically significant sample size

### No Additional Cultivation



### No Additional Cultivation

### With Additional Cultivation

6 MONTHS

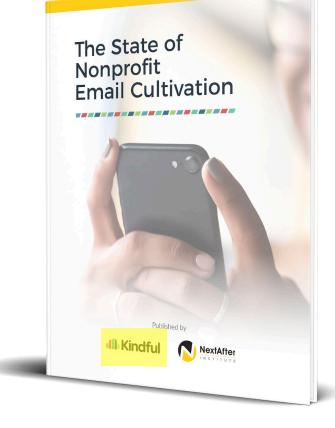
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case against Jack.	Hi Kevin,	
But now, the same person who filed the complaint that launched the state's second prosecution of against Jack in state court. When will it end?	"There's nothing I can do —	- you'll just have to live with this."
A colleague of mine wrote an article about this third lawsuit that you can read here.	government decided what is	that by your doctor? Can you imagine seeking out help but being turned away because the local s and is not treatable? To make things worse, that government decision was made in an effort to provide the best medical care.
Kevin, what's happening to Jack is awful. He needs all the support he can get. I'll be keeping him o you pray for him also?		
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# Try sending more cultivation only emails.







#### 2,589 EMAILS ANALYZED AND CLASSIFIED.

#### **199 NONPROFITS ACROSS 12 VERTICALS.**

#### **2 PERSONAS (SUBSCRIBER & DONOR).**



Get it at: cultivatingdonors.com

#### We Were Only Able To Subscribe, Give, And Get Emails To Both Persona's From 48% Of Nonprofits.







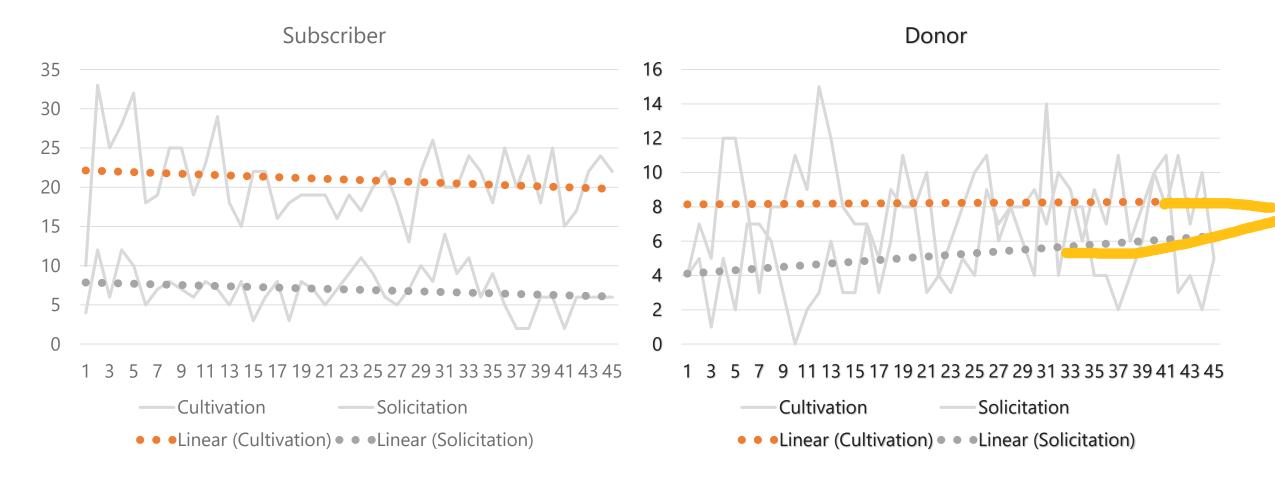
# Test your forms, signup, and giving process.



### A subscriber gets **3.0** cultivation emails for every solicitation they receive compared to **1.6** for donors.



### **Emails by Persona Over Time**





### Are you cultivating your donors? As time goes on?



# How else?



# How else? Multi-channel.



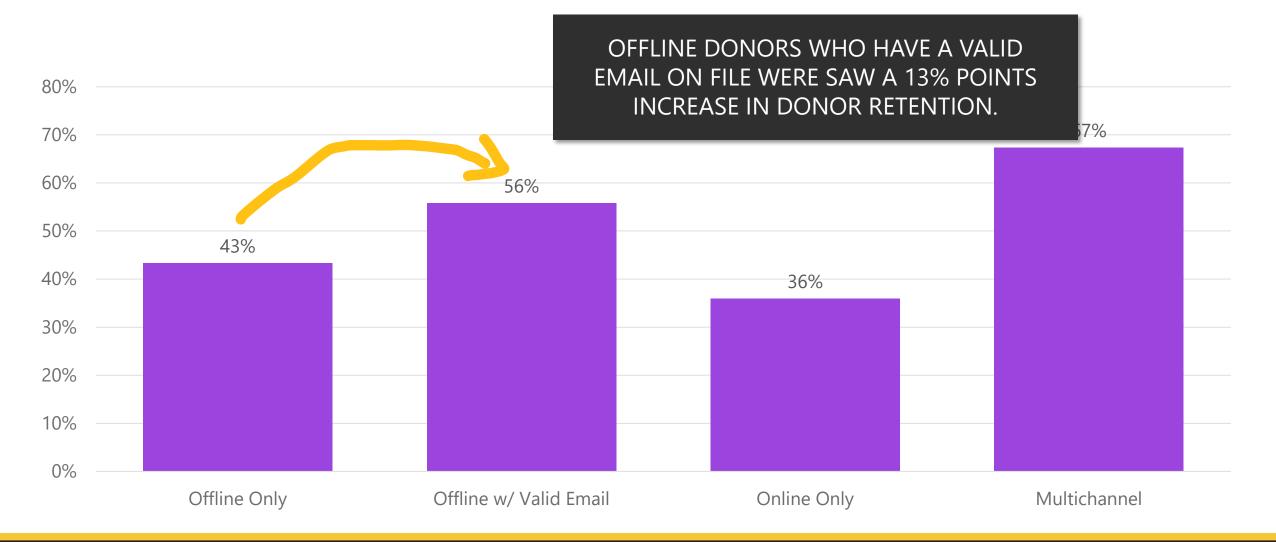
### **Average Revenue per Donor by Channel Cohort**



Source: Analysis of 20 U.S. nonprofit organizations across verticals including faith, education, politics/advocacy, and health/human services

@bradyjosephson

### **Average Donor Retention by Channel Cohort**

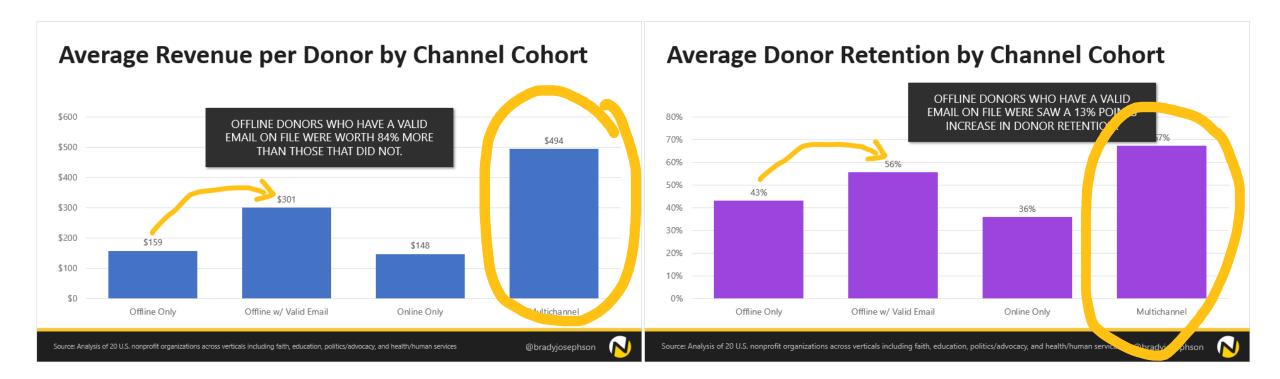




### Get and send emails to offline donors.



### **Remember These?**





#### First Year Donor Retention Rates by Age and Channel

FIRST YEAR DONOR RETENTION BY ACE			
AGE	ONLINE ONLY	OFFLINE ONLY	MULTICHANNEL
18 – 24	19%	24%	50%
25 – 34	22%	25%	55%
35 – 44	21%	24%	54%
45 – 54	21%	24%	52%
55 – 64	22%	26%	58%
65 – 74	24%	29%	62%
75+	26%	26%	59%
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# Send cultivation communications in other channels.

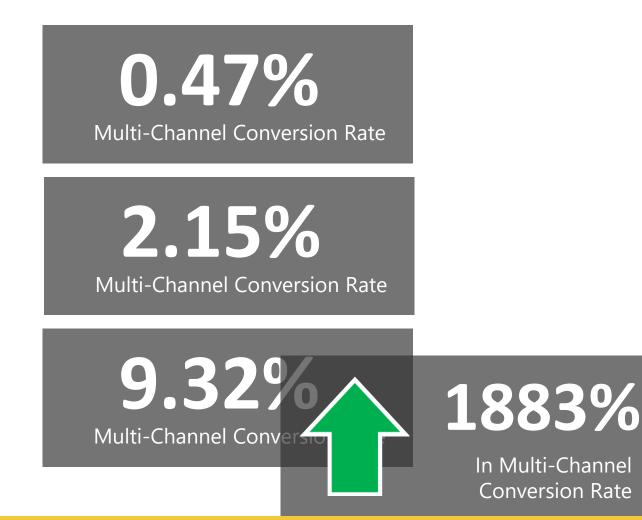


### Likelihood to Become a Multi-Channel Donor by Cohort

**OFFLINE TO MULTI-CHANNEL** 

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### Look at acquiring donors online and converting to multi-channel through offline channels.



### **Do More Cultivation Checklist**

□Are you sending emails that don't contain asks (at all)?

Can you create engaging content that talks about your work, impact, and need for giving from a donor's perspective that doesn't ask?

Then send content to your donors before an ask or a campaign

Can you break up the 'one big newsletter' email into 2, 3, or 4 smaller, more specific emails?

Can you use mail, phone, and email to engage online AND offline donors?



#### HOW ARE OFFLINE AND ONLINE DONORS COMMUNICATED WITH IN THEIR FIRST 3 MONTHS?



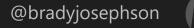




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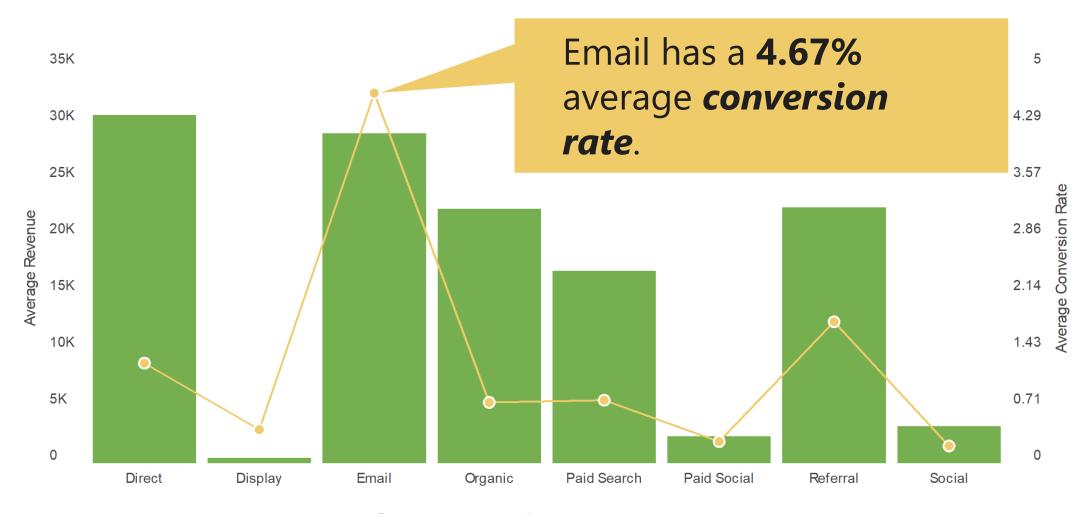
# People give to people, not marketing machines.



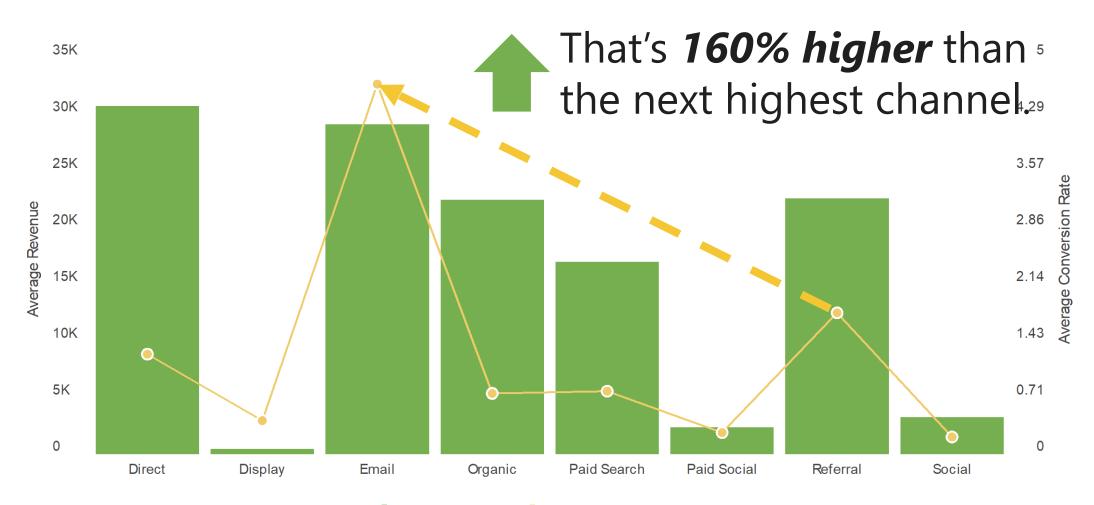
# Why email?



### **Average Conversion Rate Per Channel**



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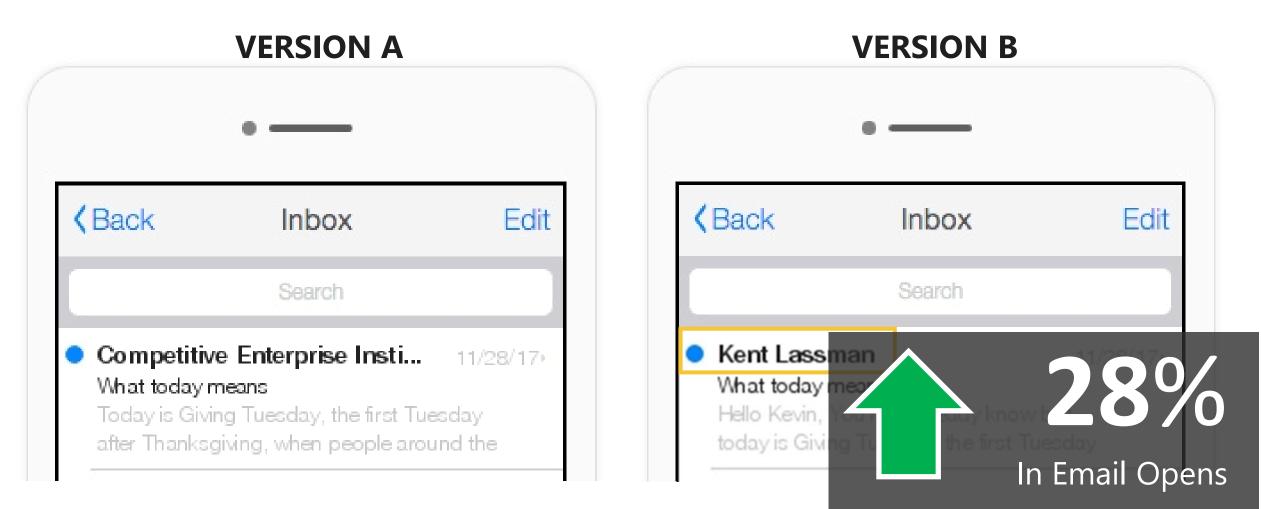
# But how?



# But how? Email sender.



### **Experiment #8010**



### **Experiment #5930**

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### TRY SENDING EMAILS FROM A PERSON (OR A PERSON, ORGANIZATION IF YOU MUST).



# But how? Design.



### Experiment #4174

#### CONTROL

Give to CaringBridge by March 31 and I'll <u>double your donation</u>, up to \$10,000.

#### CARING@BRIDGEI



#### Hello NAME,

I am blown away. I knew CaringBridge supporters were loyal, but when I offered up a match donation, I did not anticipate the outpouring of generosity that followed. CaringBridge is such a beloved organization.

I'm so committed to CaringBridge and inspired by all the donors who stepped up to join me that I decided to offer up another match. If you donate between now and midnight March 31, I will double your gift, up to \$10,000.

I know that kindness is contagious firsthand—I have watched CaringBridge grow from its inception, and I've had three CaringBridge websites myself. In fact, I just recently re-read my guestbook from years ago—what a loving walk down Memory Lane.

If you join me in this match, together we'll provide double the love, strength and support families need during a health journey. That means double the ability to keep CaringBridge a safe, protected and ad-free space to let families focus on what they need most: connection and healing.

Together, we are stronger. Your donation is vital to bringing hearts together.

#### Yes! Double My Donation!

Yours in strength,



Rik Lalim CaringBridge Advisory Council member & donor

P.S. Join me in donating to CaringBridge during today's match opportunity. Donate now!

#### TREATMENT



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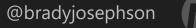
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### TRY A MORE PLAIN TEXT STYLE OF EMAIL DESIGN.



# But how? Tone.



### **Experiment #4171**

#### CONTROL



#### Hello First name,

When your world has been turned upside down, every connection counts. Every bit of strength. Every heart brought together.

Erica, whose 6-month-old son Graham was diagnosed with a serious cancer, says she couldn't imagine taking this long, sometimes scary journey without CaringBridge to share news and receive strength.

You can make sure CaringBridge is here for them, and for everyone who needs calm seas in times of turbulence, with your donation today—a donation that will go twice as far on March 16 with a \$15,000 matching gift opportunity from our generous friend and donor, Rik Lalim.

Your compassion ensures that Erica's family can continue to rely on us for a safe, protected, ad-free space to share their successes and frustrations, hopes and fears—their journey. And family and friends can be there every step of the way.

#### Yes! Match My Gift Now!

Yours in hope,

Kellyta

Kelly Espy CaringBridge Senior Development Specialist

P.S. There's no time like the present to bring hearts together. Together, we can be stronger. Donate now and double your impact!

#### TREATMENT

Hello First name,

I know you've been using CaringBridge recently to stay connected to your loved ones, and I hope it's been a source of strength for you.

Right now, we're in a short campaign to raise money to keep CaringBridge there for you, and those like you who need a safe, protected place to connect during life's most challenging times.

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If you'd like to support this campaign right now, your gift will be doubled by a generous donor, up to \$15,000, if you use this link to make your gift by midnight, March 16.

145.5%

DONATIONS

#### Click here to have your gift ma

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Kelly Espy

CaringBridge Senior Development Specialist

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### Look Closer

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#### Click here to have your gift matched today >>

It's the safest, most secure way to make sure CaringBridge will always be here when your loved ones need it most.

We appreciate your support - thank you!

Kelly Espy CaringBridge Senior Development Specialist

caring@Bridges

### Logo placement reduced



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### Call to action button moved to text/link

### CONTROL

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 More personal and relevant salutation

### CONTROL

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### More human sounding introduction to the campaign

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 It's written to YOU

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Hello First name,

When your world has been turned upside down, every connection counts. Every bit of strength. Every heart brought together.

Erica, whose 6-month-old son Graham was diagnosed with a serious cancer, says she couldn't imagine taking this long, sometimes scary journey without CaringBridge to share news and receive strength.

You can make sure CaringBridge is here for them, and for everyone who needs calm seas in times of turbulence, with your donation today—a donation that will go twice as far on March 16 with a \$15,000 matching gift opportunity from our generous friend and donor, Rik Lalim.

Your compassion ensures that Erica's family can continue to rely on us for a safe, protected, ad-free space to share their successes and frustrations, hopes and fears—their journey. And family and friends can be there every step of the way.

#### Yes! Match My Gift Now!

Yours in hope, Kelly Spy

Kelly Espy CaringBridge Senior Development Specialist

P.S. There's no time like the present to bring hearts together. Together, we can be stronger. <u>Donate now and double your impact</u>!

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#### Hello First name,

I know you've been using CaringBridge recently to stay connected to your loved ones, and I hope it's been a source of strength for you.

Right now, we're in a short campaign to raise money to keep CaringBridge there for you, and those like you who need a safe, protected place to connect during life's most challenging times.

As a nonprofit, CaringBridge is supported by donations from the people who use and appreciate the site.

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#### Click here to have your gift matched today >>

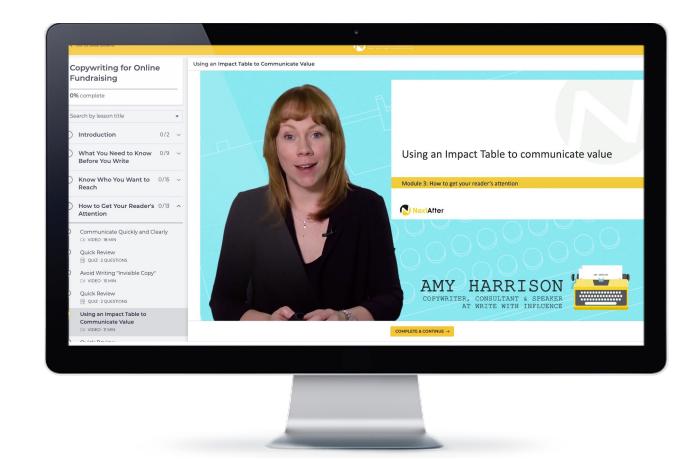




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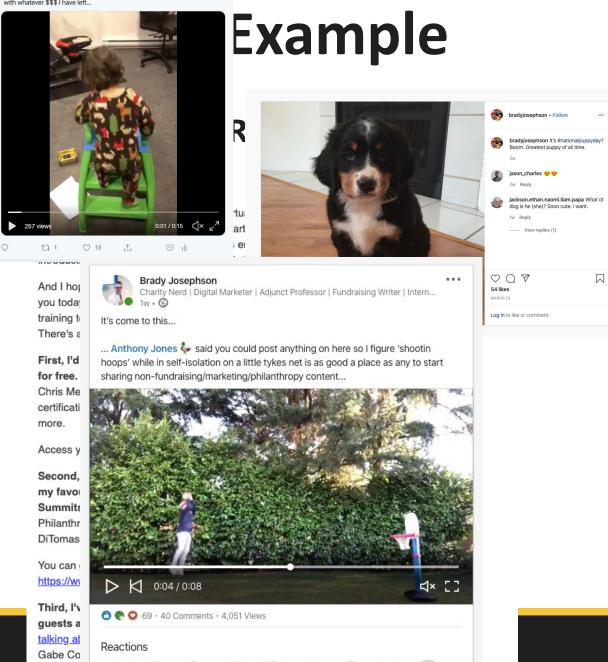
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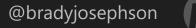
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PS - love the content as well. Thanks!

Hey Brady,	
Derek here, from <u>Abounding Service</u> in Phoenix (We tear	h adult refugees English and citizenship changing the trajectory of entire families so they, in turn, can serve others!). Hey Brady,
Great slide video!	
Have you seen the Pony Up Daddy Saddle? Another livin	Actually, I have a Pony Up Daddy Saddle that my 4 year old boy outgrew.
Love all your stuff - I'm sort of a super-lurker and need to	I'd be happy to send it to you - and certainly as a gesture of gratitude for all your help!
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You're a beacon - keep up the amazing work!	
Derek	5810 Tennyson Parkway #102 Plano, TX 75024
	Of course, I understand if you'd prefer to decline because of the COVID stuff. Not sick over here, but I get it.
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Derek

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#### Dear Alexander,

You probably know of Koko the gorilla, who became famous for her use of American Sign Language. While she blurred the line that humans draw between themselves and other animals, Koko was also denied the freedom that every thinking, feeling individual deserves. She spent nearly all of her life in involuntary service, confined for decades at The Gorilla Foundation (TGF)—which is, by PETA's estimation, the worst facility in the country for gorillas. TGF has repeatedly failed to meet even the minimum requirements of the federal Animal Welfare Act, racking up animal-welfare citations for failures such as administering dangerous medication without a veterinarian's approval. The facility has become so notorious for unsafe conditions for both gorillas and staff members that no reputable North American gorilla facility would ever consider moving a gorilla there.

Without PETA's help, Ndume the gorilla might have endured a miserable life and death at TGF, too. He was first "acquired" by the facility as a companion for Koko, although the two spent years separated from one another, only occasionally having contact through cage bars. When Koko died in june of last year, Ndume found himself isolated in a trailer, totally cut off from any others of his species. TGF had initially pledged to return him to the accredited Cincinnati Zoo, where he'd receive expert care, after Koko's death—but instead, it began fighting tooth and nail to keep him.

Because most of his life has been spent in captivity, Ndume can't be released into the wild. There are no accredited gorilla sanctuaries in the United States, so when the Cincinnat Zoo filed a lawsuit seeking to compel TGF to return Ndume, PETA gave the case an important boost by filing an *amicus curiae* ("friend of the court") brief. We alerted the court that Ndume deserves to be in the best possible captive conditions, living among other gorillas in a social group and receiving the care that he needs—and that means he must be relocated to the Cincinnati Zoo without delay.

After this legal intervention—a<mark>nd</mark> outcry from nearly 68,000 PETA supporters, who took action online—a federal court recently ordered TGF to relinquish Ndume!

Not only does the court's judg<mark>me</mark>nt mean <u>a new life for Ndume</u>—it also means that the law sees gorillas as more than "ordinary chattel."

This wonderful news for Ndume is just one of PETA's many legal wins for animals in the past year. You may recall that we recently secured a first-of-its-kind consent judgment stating that declawing endangered and threatened big cats when not medically necessary is a violation of the Endangered Species Act—and a <u>disturbing video of a lion being subjected to this</u> <u>painful amputation</u> is now reminding thousands why our legal work is so vital. With your help, we're working to secure freedom and a better life for many more long-suffering animals like Ndume.

Thank you for supporting our trailblazing legal work and all of our campaigns to help animals.



Ingrid E. Newkirk President

#### **BUT MORE LIKE THIS**

#### A calling to serve the most vulnerable

Albert Reyes albert.reyes@buckner.org via mta-bbcspool.convio.net

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#### Dear Wendy

I wanted to introduce myself to you and explain a little bit more about what I feel is one of the most important missions in life.

Since our founding in 1879, Buckner has worked to strengthen families, protect children, and provide permanency and stability though foster care and adoption.

Everything that we do is grounded in a scriptural calling to serve and to care for vulnerable children and families. There are many verses that support this idea, but one that comes to mind is Psalm 82:3.

"Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed."

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Herbal Essences Joins PETA's 'Beauty

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Without Bunnies' List

brand Herbal Essences to our list of cruelty-Procter & Gamble's commitment to ending animal tests.

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<u>Marshall</u>

two months. READ MORE



Following months of pressure from PETA, including attention-grabbing protests and e- Tune in today for details about our legal work, mails from more than 205,000 of our supporters, the Coca-Cola Company has now much more! cut ties with the cruel Iditarod. Let's keep the pressure on Chrysler and other companies still READ MORE supporting the race to do the same!

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While a gas station is a great place to fuel up, it's not a great place for a cat to live. But that's here Marshall had been hanging out for nonths, dodging cars and begging for and outs, when a PETA fieldworker spotted him. With a little coaxing, she was able to persuade him to hop into her van and take a road trip back to PETA's animal shelter in Virginia, where he was neutered, vaccinated,



and microchipped before being put up for adoption. In his new home, he loves "borrowing" his human sister's toys and snuggling and watching TV with her at night.

Download your FREE desktop wallpaper of Marshall here.



Video: February's **Biggest Wins for** Animals

Cincinnati Children's Victoria Beckham Hospital Stops Using **Ditches Exotic Skins** Cats in Training Courses



Hershey's Bans Animal PETA Cosponsors

**Dolphinaris Arizona** 

### **BUT MORE LIKE THIS**

#### A calling to serve the most vulnerable

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Albert Reyes albert.reyes@buckner.org via mta-bbcspool.convio.net

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to Wendy 👻

Sun, Mar 10, 11:01 AM 🙀 🔦

#### Dear Wendy

I wanted to introduce myself to you and explain a little bit more about what I feel is one of the most important missions in life.

Since our founding in 1879, Buckner has worked to strengthen families, protect children, and provide permanency and stability though foster care and adoption.

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#### WHY NOT LIKE THIS?

Dear Alexander,

You probably know of Koko the gorilla, who became famous for her use of American Sign Language. While she blurred the line that humans draw between themselves and other animals, Koko was also denied the freedom that every thinking; feeling individual deserves. She spent nearly all of her life in involuntary service, confined for decades at The Gorilla Foundation (TGF)—which is, by PETA's estimation, the worst facility in the country for gorillas. TGF has repeatedly failed to meet even the minimum requirements of the federal Animal Welfare Act, racking up animal-welfare citations for failures such as administering dangerous medication without a veterinarian's approval. The facility has become so notorious for unsafe conditions for both gorillas and staff members that no reputable North American gorilla facility would ever consider moving a gorilla there.

Without PETA's help, Ndume the gorilla might have endured a miserable life and death at TGF, too. He was first "acquired" by the facility as a companion for Koko, although the two spent years separated from one another, only occasionally having contact through cage bars. When Koko died in June of last year, Ndume found himself isolated in a trailer, totally cut off from any others of his species. TGF had initially pleqed to return him to the accredited Cincinnati Zoo, where he'd receive expert care, after Koko's death—but instead, it began fighting toth and nall to keep him.

Because most of his life has been spent in captivity, Ndume can't be released into the wild. There are no accredited gorilla sanctuaries in the United States, so when the Cincinnati Zoo filed a lawsuit seeking to compel TGF to return Ndume, PETA gave the case an important boost by filing an *amicus curiae* ("friend of the court") brief. We alerted the court that Ndume deserves to be in the best possible captive conditions, living among other gorillas in a social group and receiving the care that he needs—and that means he must be relocated to the Cincinnatize to without delay.

After this legal intervention—and outcry from nearly 68,000 PETA supporters, who took action online—a federal court recently ordered TGF to relinquish Ndume!

Not only does the court's judgment mean a new life for Ndume—it also means that the law sees gorillas as more than "ordinary chattel."

This wonderful news for Ndume is just one of PETA's many legal wins for animals in the past year. You may recall that we recently secured a first-of-ita-kind consent judgment stating that declawing endangered and threatened big cats when not medically necessary is a violation of the Endangered Species Act—and a <u>disturbing video of a lion being subjected to this</u> <u>painful amputation</u> is now reminding thousands why our legal work is so vital. With your help, we're working to secure freedom and a better life for many more long-suffering animals like Ndume.

Thank you for supporting our trailblazing legal work and all of our campaigns to help animals.

Very truly yours,

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Ingrid E. Newkirk President

# **Be More Human Checklist**

□ Can you send emails from a person as opposed to your organization?

□ Make sure you have a good reply email and not "donotreply@"

Can you remove big design elements that can easily be perceived as marketing
 Unless images 100% support, they most likely distract...

Can you write in a more personal, human way (from a person to a person)

□ Use 'you' and 'your' a lot

Read it out loud to yourself or a colleague as a quick check

Make sure the entire email is consistent with it's personal nature and tone, not just one element

□ Be ready for replies and engagement

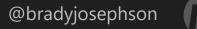




### STRATEGY

# **FOCUS ON RECURRING**

# Why recurring?



# **Remember These?**

**ONE-YEAR** 



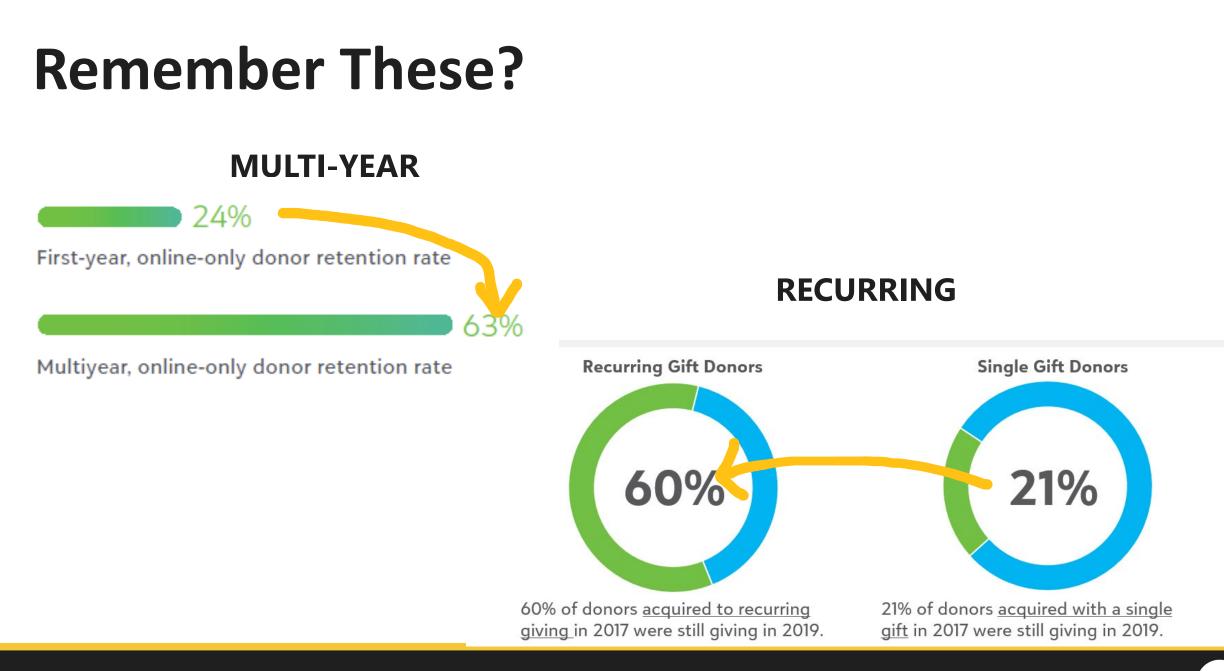
First-year, online-only donor retention rate

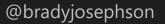
#### **MULTI-YEAR**



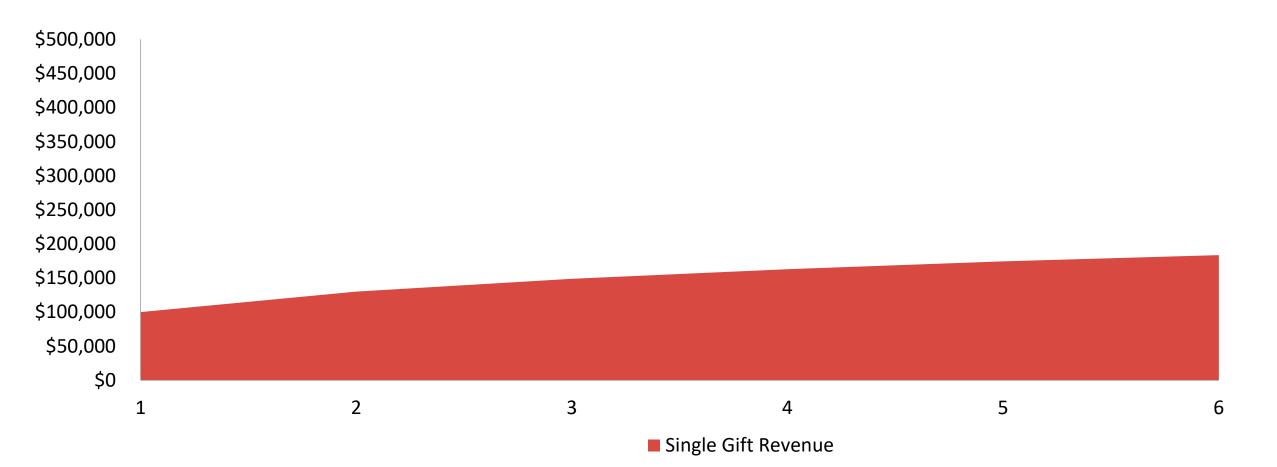
21% of donors <u>acquired with a single</u> <u>gift</u> in 2017 were still giving in 2019.



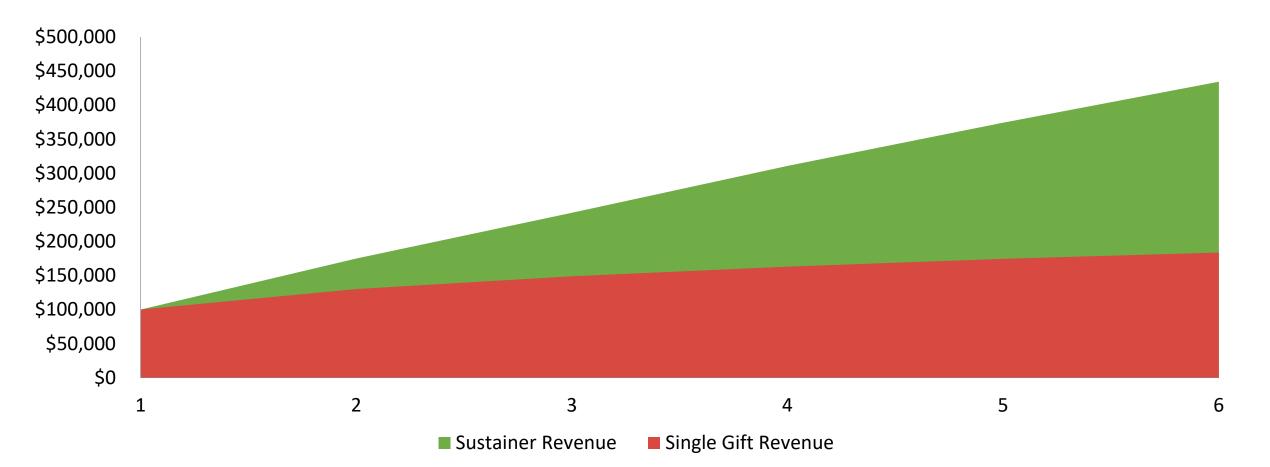




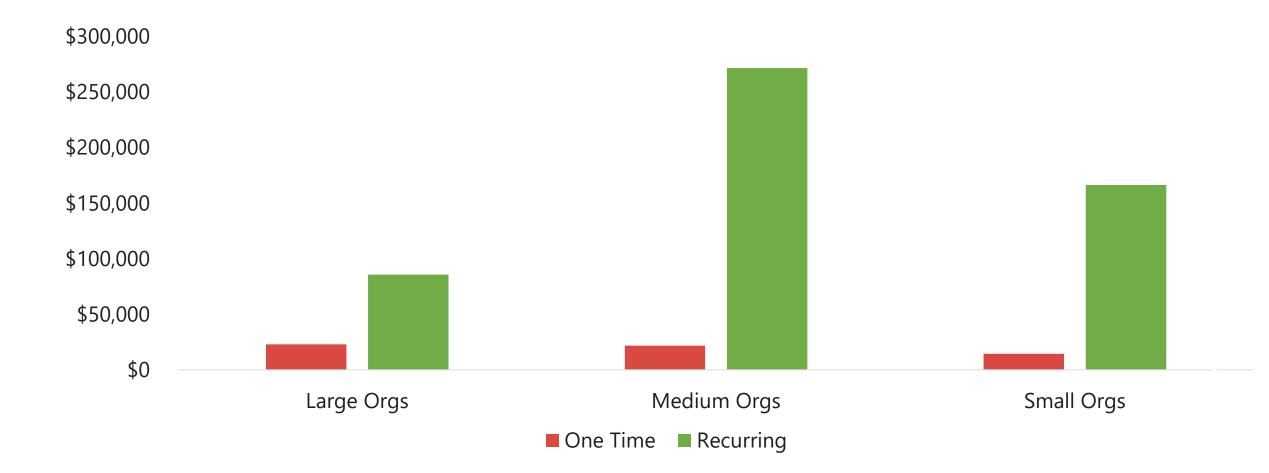
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## **Cumulative Revenue per 1,000 Donors After 5 Years**



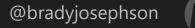
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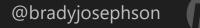
# But how?



# The secret to growing recurring giving is...



# The secret to growing recurring giving is... focusing on recurring giving.



### I JUST WANNA SLAP YOU RIGHT ACROSS THE FACE

**#SCHITTSCREEK** 





# 203 NONPROFITS ACROSS 12 VERTICALS. 27 DATA POINTS FROM THE GIVING

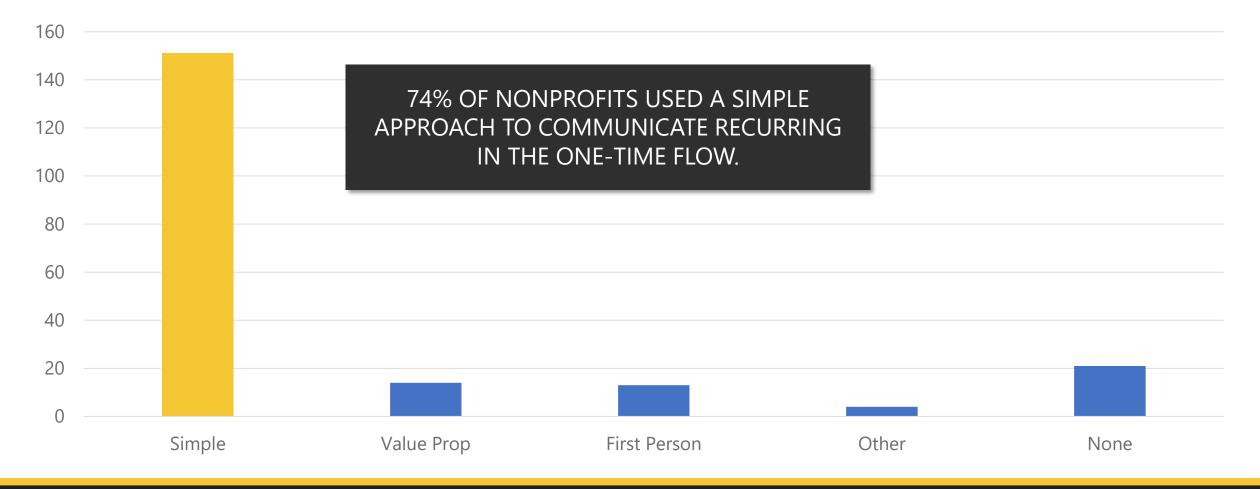
### **PROCESS.**

**5 DATA POINTS FROM THE THANK YOU PAGE.** 



Get it at: stateofdonationpages.com

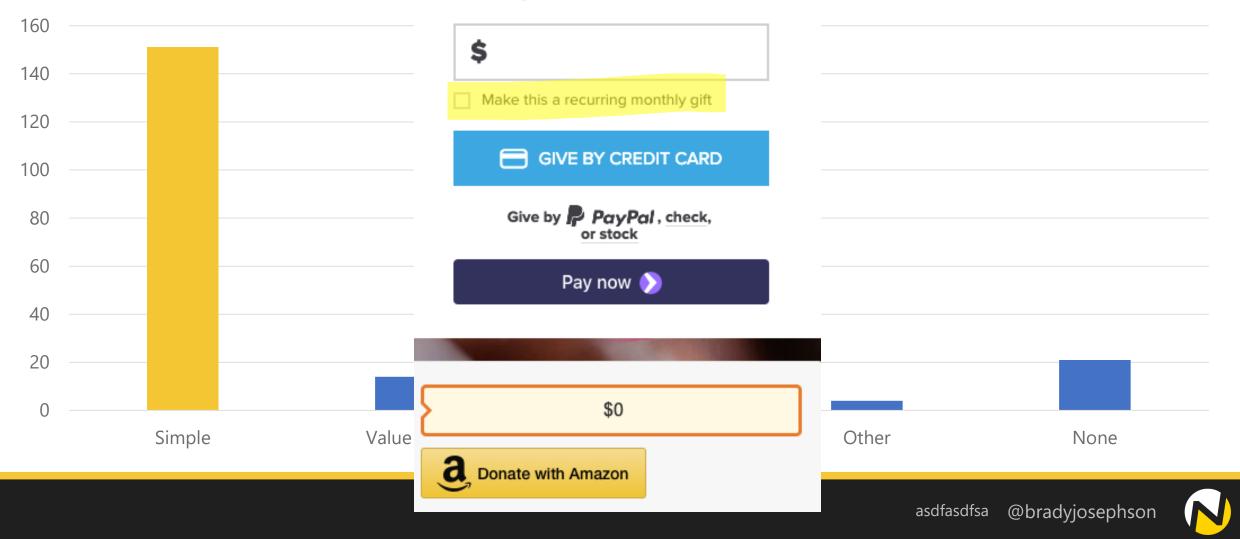
# How Are They Communicating The Recurring Option?



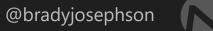


## **GIVE HOPE**

Make a tax-deductible donation to provide help WHERE MOST NEEDED through the Feed the World Fund.



# Only 7% of nonprofits had a value proposition for why you should become a recurring donor.



# **Recurring Value Proposition Examples**

## **A NUDGE**

 Your steady support prepares us for every challenge and lets us plan for the future!

\$75

\$100

\$30

Most people are giving \$75. Please give what you can.

**DONATE NOW** »

\$250

\$50

### **FULL VALUE PROP**

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fight back. We can protect birds and the places they need — as long as we have people like you who will help.	Your Monthly Donation			
Select giving frequency:				

\$10 **\$15** \$20 **\$25 \$50** OTHER

I would like to cover processing fees and other expenses to ensure WWF receives more of my contribution.

## How Communicating The Impact Of A Recurring Gift Can Increase Conversion With New Visitors EXPERIMENT ID: #18659

### CONTROL



Thank you! We appreciate your prayers and partnership as we proclaim the Gospel worldwide. Every gift counts!

GIVE ONLINE GIVE BY MAIL OR PHONE LEGACY PLANNING OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

Home > Give > Give Online

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#### QUICK GIVING OPTION

Urgently share the Gospel with a world in need of Hope. Your gift will be used where most needed in the work of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.



#### **OR GIVE TO SPECIFIC AREAS**



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# Try giving donors a reason to become a recurring donor.



# **14% of organizations had a 'prompt' to upgrade to a monthly gift.**

Source: The State of Nonprofit Donation Pages



## **Sierra Club Testing** Nudges and Nudges with Social Proof CONTROL – NO SOCIAL

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### **TREATMENT – SOCIAL PROOF**

EXPLORE, ENJOY, AND PROTECT THE PL/	anet 🖓 å
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Be a champion for the environment. Join today.	Your Information First Name
From delisting endangered species like the Gray Wolf to drilling for dirty tar sands oil, the threats to our environment have never been greater.	Last Name
Your support is absolutely essential to preserving our most precious natural resources — join the nation's largest and most effective grassroots movement today.	Email
As a special thank you, we'll send you a free field messenger bag as well as these exciting Members-only benefits: • Free Sierra Club Field Messenger Bag (limited time!) • One-year subscription to Sierra magazine	Street Line 1
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	<mark>} 30%</mark>
	In Recurring Donor

# Try nudging donors to make a recurring gift. And try adding social proof.



How Presenting The Opportunity To Make A Recurring Gift At The Moment Of A Person's One-time Gift Transaction Affects Recurring Gift Conversion. Experiment ID: #9024

### CONTROL

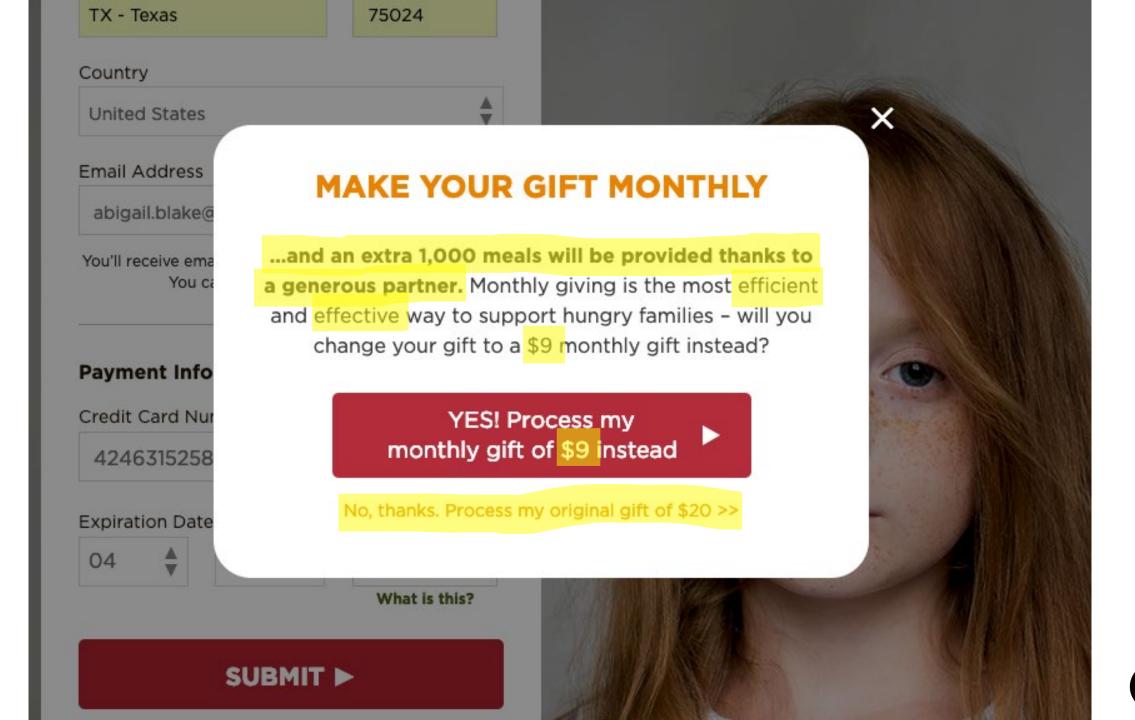
My Gift to Support Family Ministry

Your gift will go to work immediately - transforming lives through the power of the Gospel.

TREATMENT

Before we process your gift, would you consider something

# THE POP-UP DIDN'T SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT THE LIKELIHOOD OF A PERSON GIVING A ONE-TIME GIFT.

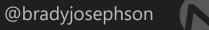


# Try a pop-up/prompt in the one-time donation flow to upgrade to a recurring gift.



# **11% of organizations defaulted to a monthly gift.**

Source: The State of Nonprofit Donation Pages



# **Sierra Club Testing Defaulting to Recurring Gift CONTROL – ONE-TIME**

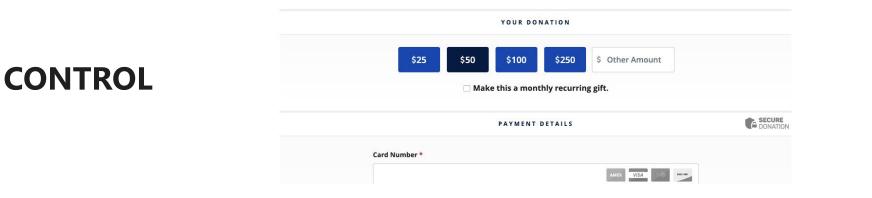
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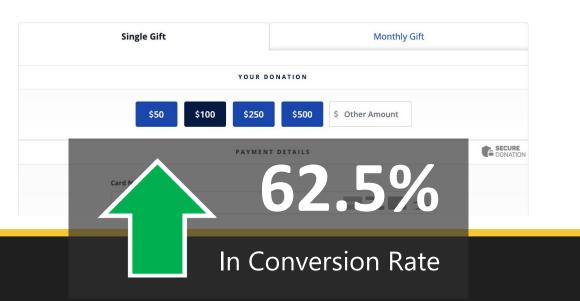
### **TREATMENT - MONTHLY**

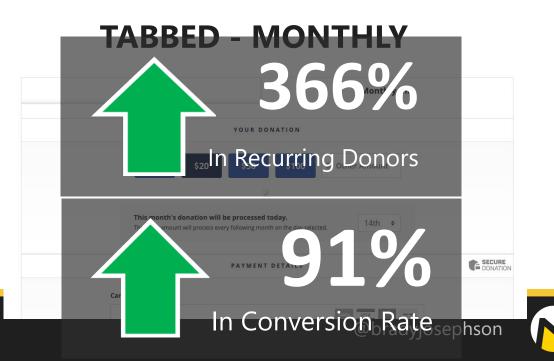
RE, ENJOY, AND PROTECT THE PL/	ANET SIEKKA
	Wildlife and wild places need you. Become a Monthly Donor today.         Monthly giving is an easy way to make a difference every day. Your gift provides the resources to sustain long-term campaigns that lead to the permanent protection of our most precious resources.         Please choose your monthly giving amount below:         \$15       \$20         \$30       \$50         \$85       \$ other
I for Taking Action!	93,528 donors have already signed up to give
I world — the clean air, safe drinking water, wildlife and wild places we rattack and we need you now more than ever.	monthly - most are giving \$20 right now.
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# **Defaulting to Monthly Tabbed Treatment**



### **TABBED - SINGLE**

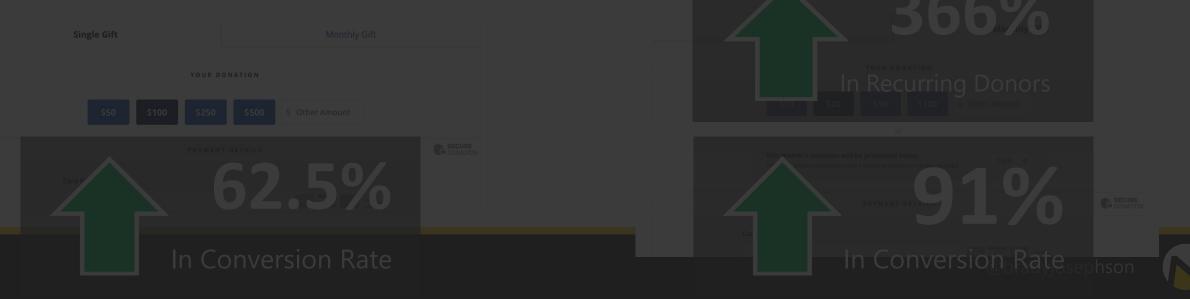




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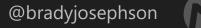
# NO DISCERNIBLE EFFECT ON ONE-TIME DONOR TABBED - SINGLE CONVERSION. ABBED - MONTHLY



# Try defaulting to a recurring gift (and consider a tabbed layout).



# Default how? Smaller donations.

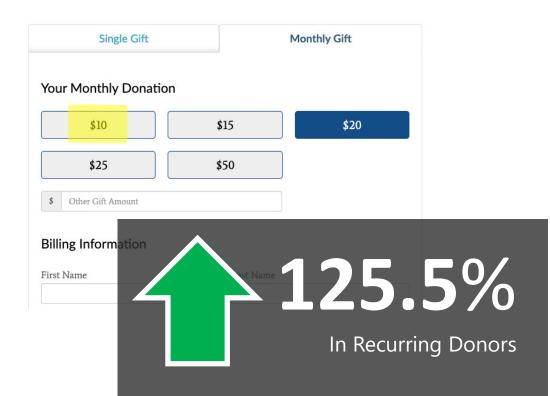


# How more donation options with a lower initial ask affects recurring donations EXPERIMENT ID: #18815

## **3 OPTIONS, \$15 LOWEST**

Your Monthly Don	ation	
\$15	\$20	\$25
\$ Other Gift Amount		
Billing Information		

### **5 OPTIONS, \$10 LOWEST**





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# How the minimum gift amount asked on a recurring pop-up impacts overall revenue EXPERIMENT ID: #18640

## **CONTROL \$15**

Would you like to convert your gift to an ongoing monthly gift?

YES! Convert my gift to a \$15 monthly gift.

No, thanks. Process my original one-time gift.

Would you like to convert your gift to an ongoing monthly gift?

## **TREATMENT \$19**





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# Try lowering your first and default recurring gift amounts.



# **Focus More on Recurring Giving Checklist**

□ Make recurring giving a priority for you and your team internally

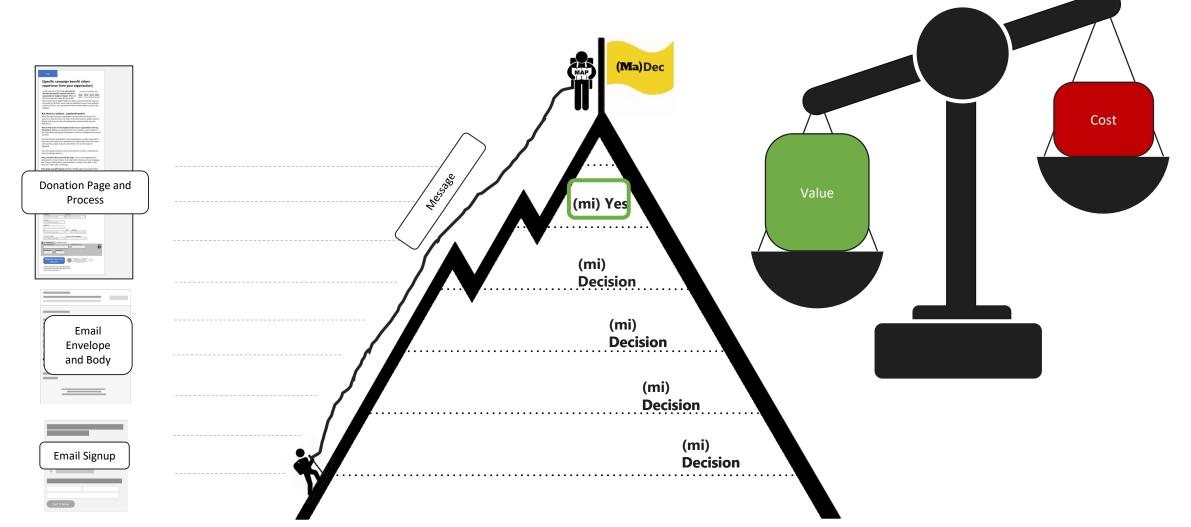
- Set goals, assign responsibility, offer rewards, recognition, and incentives
- Try having a reason why someone should make a recurring gift present on your donation page
- Try 'nudging' one-time donors to make a recurring gift
  - Include social proof if you can
- □Try defaulting to a recurring gift on your donation page
- □Try lowering your first and suggested recurring gift amount(s)
- □Offer an EFT/Direct Debit option on your donation page
- □Make sure you monitor the differences of new visitors/donors and repeat visitors/donors



## **STRATEGY**

# SMALL ACTIONS >> BIG ACTIONS

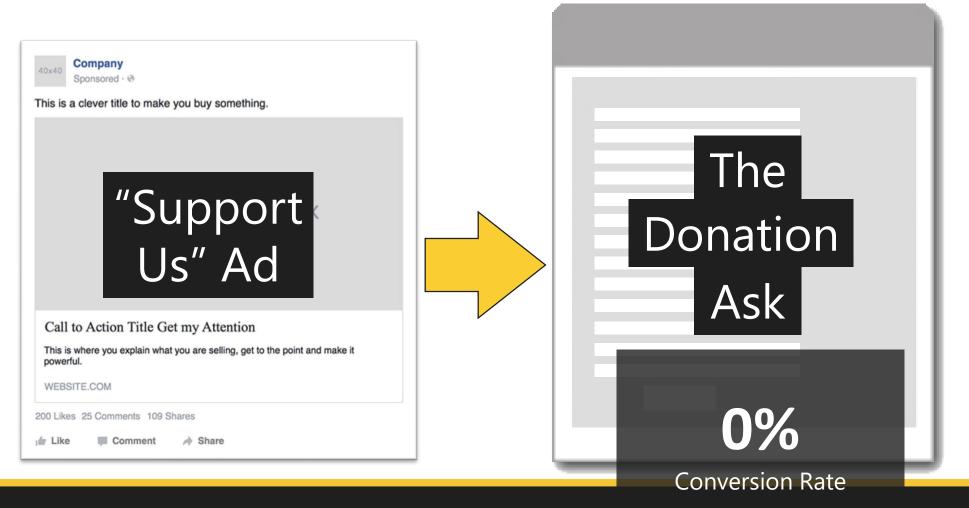
# **Optimizing Each Micro-Decision**





# **COGNITIVE MOMENTUM.**

# Facebook Ad Direct Ask

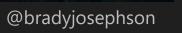


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# Facebook Ad Email Ask

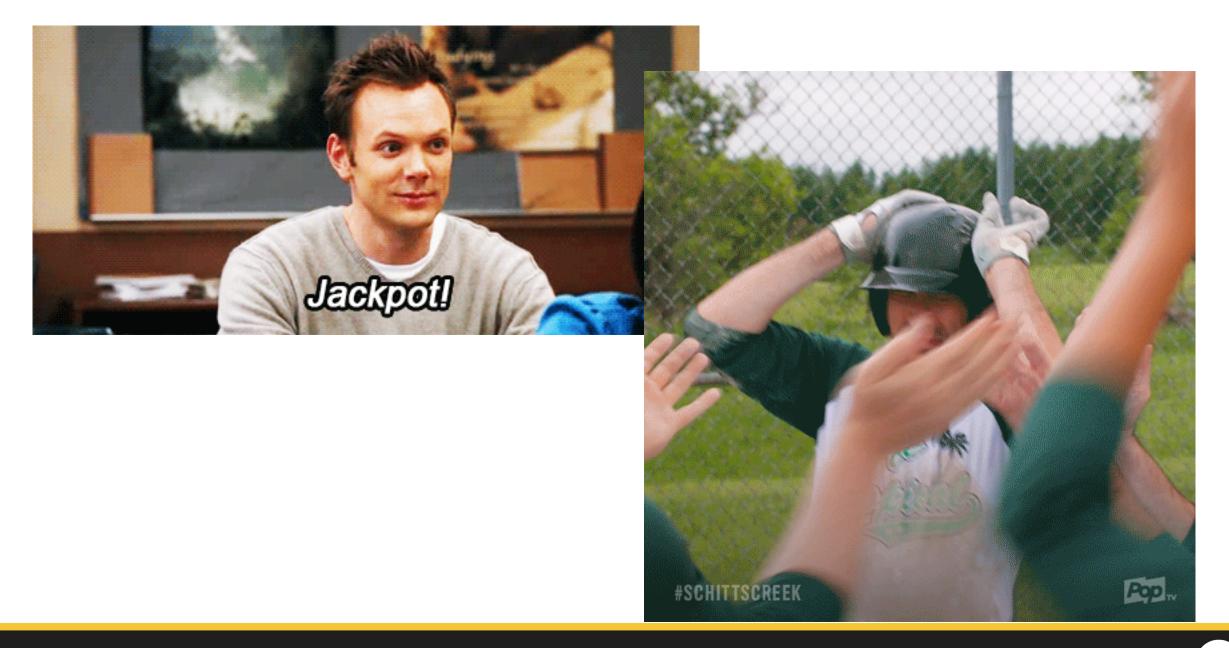


Conversion Rate

# Which Strategy Resulted In More Donors?

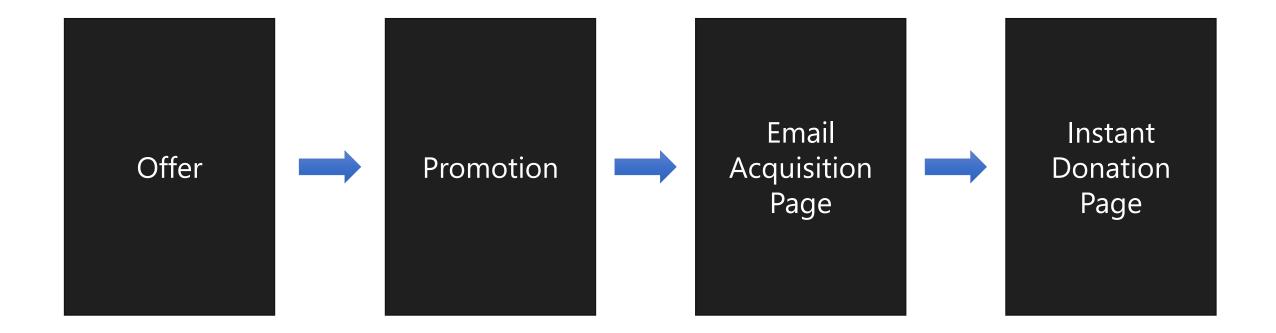


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# A Donor Acquisition Model Through Content Offers and Email Acquisition

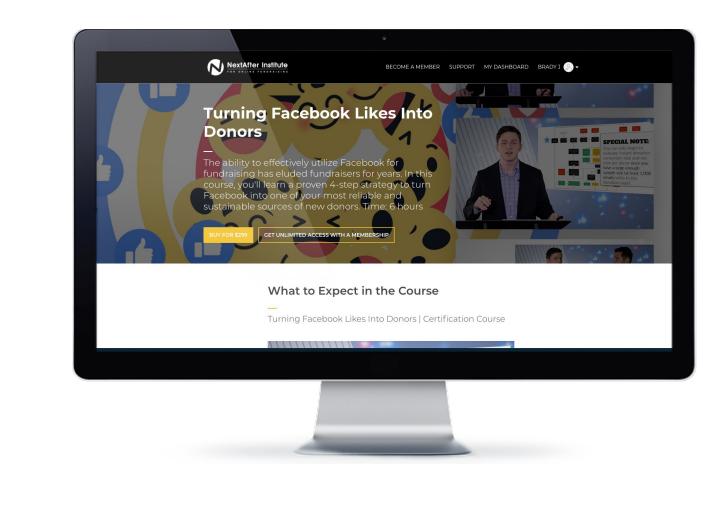




# Try acquiring emails first as a route to acquiring donors.

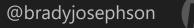


# TURNING FACEBOOK LIKES INTO DONORS. COURSES.NEXTAFTER.COM





# But how else?



### **CONTROL**

FROM THE DESK OF FRANKLIN GRAHAM



"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear ..." — Psalm 46:1–2, ESV

Dear Friend,

While most of Florence has moved on from the Carolinas, her destructive force is still being felt across these two states. Entire communities are under water, and there are reports of harrowing



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They need your prayers.

Please pray that God will comfort them in their suffering, give strength to first responders, utility workers, and volunteers, and draw many people to His Son, Jesus Christ.

Will you also pray for our Rapid Response Team? We've deployed teams of chaplains to hard-hit areas to minister in Jesus' Name and offer emotional and spiritual care to victims and first responders.

Thank you for your heart to reach hurting people with the Good News of God's love.

May God richly bless you,

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Franklin Graham President & CEO Billy Graham Evangelistic Association



P.S. Friends like you are essential partners in deploying Rapid Response Team chaplains. Without your prayers, their ministry would not be effective, and without your gifts, they could not go.

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### I WILL PRAY

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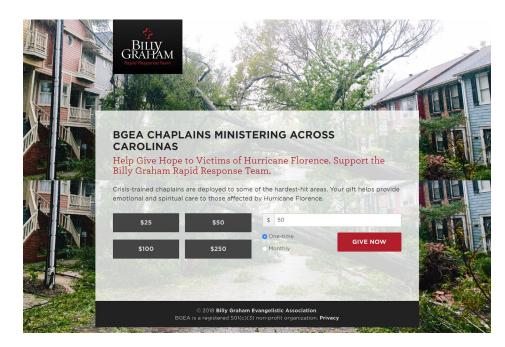


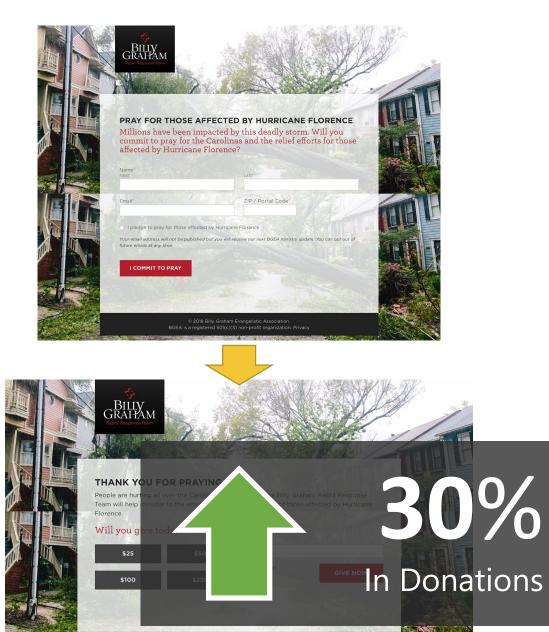
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## CONTROL

### TREATMENT





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# Try asking for an easier, nonfinancial action before asking for a donation in context.



### **Sierra Club Testing** Defaulting to Recurring Gift

#### THIS IS ACTUALLY AN INSTANT DONATION PAGE WITH A RECURRING GIVING DEFAULT PUSH.

#### EXPLORE, ENJOY, AND PROTECT THE PLANET





#### Thank You for Taking Action!

love - are under attack and we need you now more than ever.

Become a monthly donor and get all the regular benefits of membership and much more! Become a monthly donor today and we will send you our Eco-Chic Reusable Bag Set. You will also receive:

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- · Subscription to SIERRA magazine
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- · Wilderness Guardian newsletter
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- Automatic membership in your local chapter
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With your help, we will keep fighting around the clock to protect and preserve our environment for generations to come.



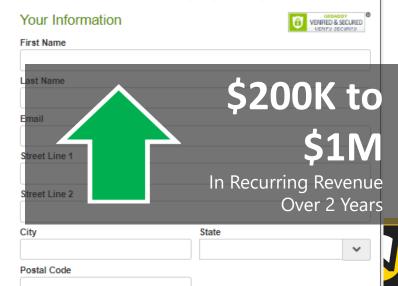
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Monthly giving is an easy way to make a difference every day. Your gift provides the resources to sustain long-term campaigns that lead to the permanent protection of our most precious resources.

#### Please choose your monthly giving amount below:



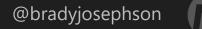
93,528 donors have already signed up to give monthly - most are giving \$20 right now.



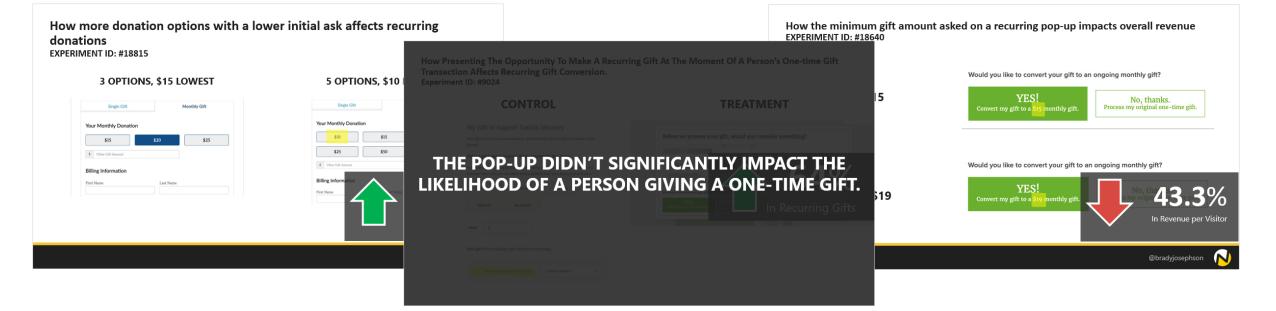
# Try a recurring default on an instant donation or confirmation page.



## It applies to mental processes as well, not just actions.



## **Remember These?**



Your job throughout the giving process is to keep people saying "Yes" and/or ensure they don't say "No". A high first gift amount, suggested donation, or even recurring ask can stop people while a lower or one-time amount allows them to keep going and, often, choose a higher amount (either one-time or over time).



## So what are nonprofits doing?



#### 61% OF CHARITIES DID NOT HAVE A CONFIRMATION PAGE AFTER EMAIL SIGNUP AND ONLY 22% HAD ANY KIND OF CALL TO ACTION.

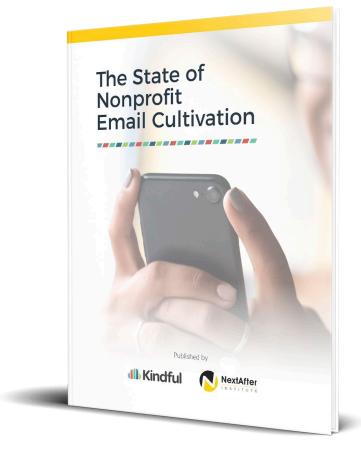




# Have a confirmation/thankyou page.



#### 60% OF NONPROFITS OFFERED US NOTHING TO DO AFTER WE SIGNED UP TO GET THEIR EMAILS.





# Offer a next step or action after an email signup.



## **Usefulness of Confirmation Pages**

 User experience
 Continued engagement

3. Tracking, measuring, and testing

Webinar Registration	Goal ID 5 / Goal Set 1
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Destination ex: thanks.html	
Ouration ex: 5 minutes or more	
O Pages/Screens per session ex: 3 pages	
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Smart Goal Smart Goal not available.	
Measure the most engaged visits to your website and au improve your AdWords bidding. Learn more	tomatically turn those visits into Goals. Then use those Goals t
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For example, use My Screen for an app and /thankyou.ntml instead of www.example.com/thankyou.html for a web page.

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	2. housefile / email	135	32.85%
	3. b58b4823c9444b1aa93f85b57d528b25.pages.ubembed.com / referral	57	13.87%
	4. facebook / newsfeed	17	4.14%
	5. (direct) / (none)	15	3.65%
	6. canadian_scorecard_optins / email	15	3.65%
	7. linkedin.com / referral	4	0.97%
	8. google / organic	2	0.49%
	9. m.facebook.com / referral	2	0.49%
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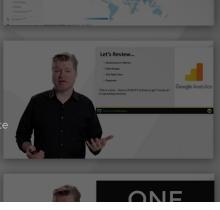
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	Experiment objective ⑦		The Fundraiser's Creed (Goal 7 Completions)	Google Analytics Goal	Destination
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- Help you make sure Google Analytics is set up to track your online fundraising and marketing properly
- · Give you a framework for how to view your data and find answers to your questions
- Teach you to navigate Google Analytics and utilize reports that are most relevant to you as a nonprofit fundraiser and marketer.

Plus, this course is split out into mini sessions. If you need to go back to get a refresher on a particular report or idea, you can find it with ease.

Review the course syllabus below to see exactly what you can expect in this certification course on *Google Analytics for Nonprofits*.

#### **Use Small Actions to Lead to Bigger Actions Checklist**

Focus on getting possible donors to say yes — either in their actions or in the minds — to keep cognitive momentum working for you

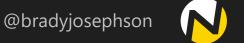
□Consider a secondary action — pledge, email reminder, survey, etc. — for less motivated donors to get an email or small commitment

□For donor acquisition, consider acquiring email signups through content offers and then move to an instant donation ask

Try a default recurring gift ask

Try an instant upgrade or additional gift on your donation thank you page

□Offer some action on your email signup and donation thank you pages (oh, and make sure you have one of those)





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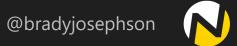
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## **5 Strategies for Your Online Fundraising in 2020**

- Do better thanking
- Do more cultivation
- Be more human
- □ Focus on recurring giving
- Use small actions to lead to bigger actions



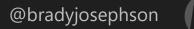




## **Bonus Ideas!**

- Focus on boomers
- □Try using social proof to encourage donation amounts and types
- □ Frontload communications after a donation or email signup
- Show branded Facebook ads to your direct mail donors
- □Try using a match to incentivize greater giving or a giving type
- □Structure actions as part of a set (pseudo-set framing)

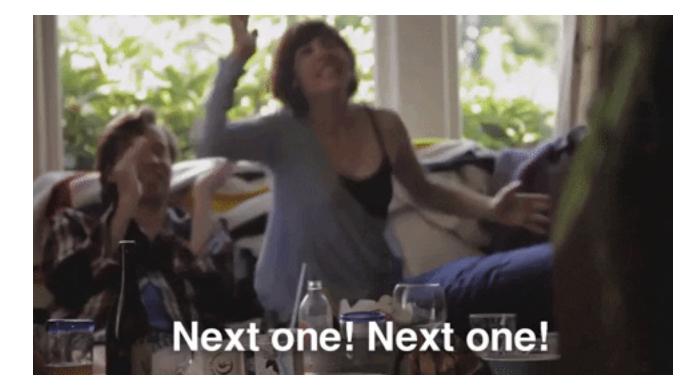
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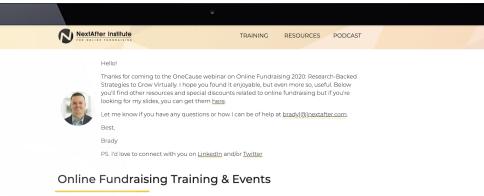
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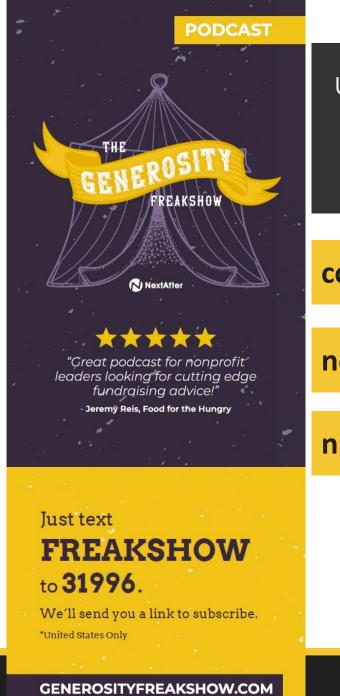


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