

# Getting a foot in the door: How to successfully onboard subscribers to your nonprofit enewsletter



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# What we'll cover

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- 2. Form location
- 3. CTA
- 4. Form fields
- 5. Donation form-yes or no?
- 6. Gratitude Attitude
- 7. Welcome email
- 8. #AlwaysBeTesting



# POLL TIME!



# Strategy

#### Email facts to know





#### Diversify your fundraising portfolio





#### **Email Marketing Atrategy**

#### 4 things to consider:

- The Rule of 7
- You vs. We
- Avg. CTR 2.66% (Campaign Monitor)
- 1 in 6 emails aren't delivered (Validity)



### Form Location

#### Placement matters





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#### Location: The Dont's





### Location: The Do's

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Adult Cancers	Learn About Pediatric Cancers	Departments & Divisions	Clinical Research & Trials
Clinical Trials	Life at MSK Kids	Find a Fellowship	PhD & MD/PhD Education
Integrative Medicine	Hear from our Patients	Continuing Medical Education	Sloan Kettering Institute
Patient & Caregiver Education	Educational Resources	Prediction Tools	Find a Researcher
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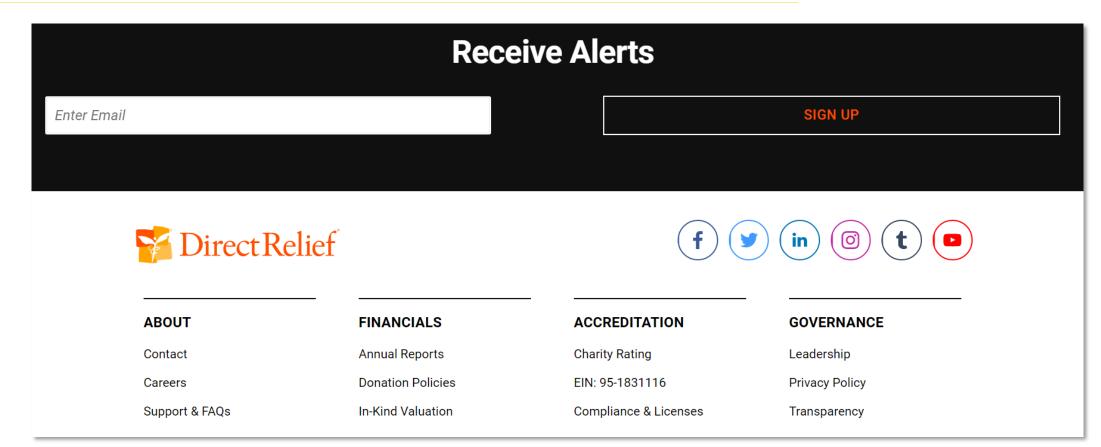


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#### Location: WellIII....

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Got it!

# CTA Make it strong!





### The Ask: Show Value

#### CONNECT WITH US

Stay connected to help end cancer. Sign up for email. Receive research updates, inspiring stories, healthy living tips and more.



# The Ask: Active subscribers!



#### **Be an Active Supporter**

Be the first to know about UNICEF's humanitarian relief efforts in times of emergency.

SIGN UP

example@email.com

Zip



## The Ask: Who? What? How?

Yes, I would like to receive communication from this organization.



# Form Fields

#### Keep It Simple Silly

**First Name \*** 

**Email Address \*** 

SUBSCRIBE NOW



# Form Fields: Expert Opinion



"Every second of friction that's thrown at somebody, the less signups you'll get. Just requesting an email address gets you more signups. It is less personalized but if you give them more opportunities to engage (social media, follow up emails, etc.), you'll get their first name, intrigue them, interest them. The goal is sign ups."

TEVI HIRSCHHORN - UX CONSULTANT



### Form Fields

#### Sign Up for Email Alerts

Join our network and be the first to take action in the fight to protect reproductive rights.

#### ZIP CODE\*

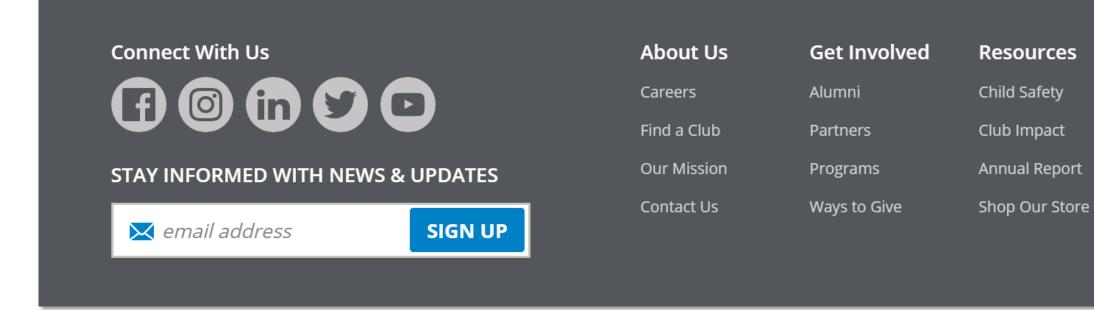
#### EMAIL ADDRESS\*

I agree to receive email updates from Planned Parenthood organizations. I may unsubscribe at any time.

SUBSCRIBE



# Form Fields no no part 1





# Form Fields no no part 2

#### Get the latest Club news!

Sign up to learn about Boys & Girls Clubs of America's innovative programs to create our next generation of leaders.

- Read inspirational stories
- See the difference supporters make
- Learn about exciting Club initiatives

You'll receive informative emails and our e-newsletter, Opening Doors, packed with stories, events and photos you'll enjoy.

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Last name\*

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#### Zip\*

Were you a member of a Club as a kid?● Yes ● No

■ Yes, please subscribe me to receive email messages from Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

SIGN UP





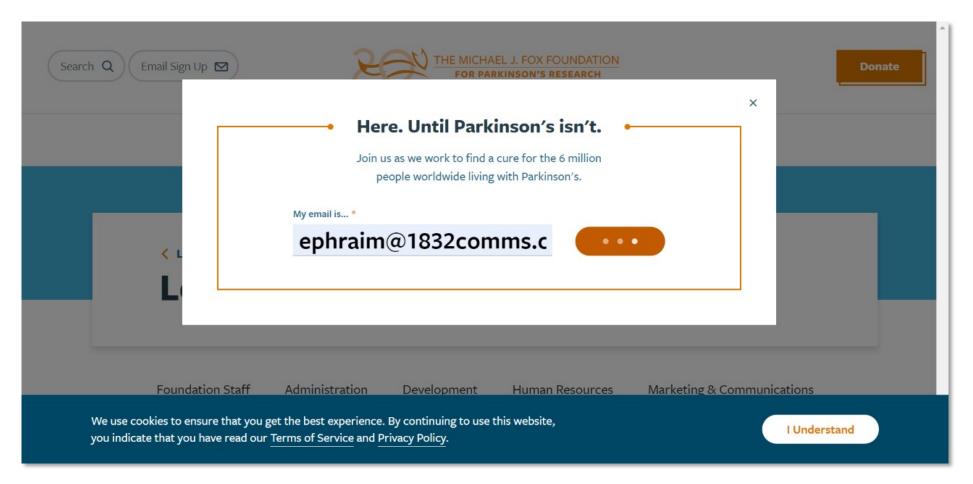
#### Register

Create an account to receive special ticket offers and information about events. If you already have an account with us, please login here.

PREFIX	Required
Mr.	•
FIRST NAME	Required
example: Jane	
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WEB SALUTATION	Required
example: Jane Doe	
EMAIL	Required
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ADDRESS 2	Optional
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STATE / PROVINCE	Required
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POSTAL CODE	Required
example: 10023	
COUNTRY	Required
USA	•
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Please sign me up to receive Met Opera information.	
All Met Opera Communications	
Met Opera Tickets and Events	
Email Newsletter	
Support the Met	
Member Benefits & Reminders	
Met Opera Shop	
The Met: Live in HD	
Met Opera on Demand	
Met Opera Guild Communications	
American Ballet Theatre Info	
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#### Form Fields: Off to a Good Start





#### Form Fields: Not a Great Ending

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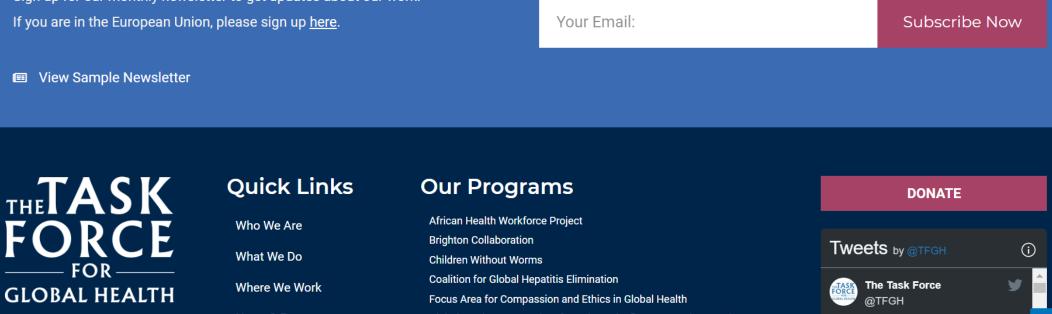


# Form fields: YES!

#### Want to Stay Informed?

Sign up for our monthly newsletter to get updates about our work. If you are in the European Union, please sign up here.

View Sample Newsletter



# **Donation Form**

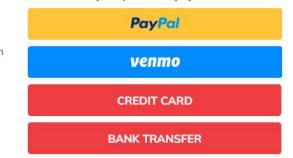
Distraction or relationship builder? I would like to receive emails from The Salvation Army.

This donation is for a specific city, state OUTSIDE of my local community.

\$0.00 USD

One-time donation

Donate with your preferred payment method:





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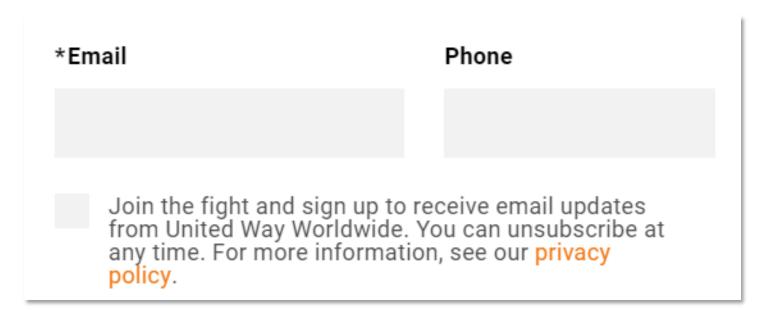
#### Raise Donation Page: Expert Ppinion



"Should there be a checkbox on the donation form? Yes, yes and always yes. Because you want to speak to them again. A donation is never a single transaction, it's an opportunity to ensure that you're starting and maintaining a good relationship with a key supporter. If they felt strongly enough to donate to the charity, checking a box that says "Yes, I'd like to receive your monthly newsletter" won't be much of a stretch. You should always give a donor an opportunity to better connect with the organization."

> JEREME BIVINS MANAGING DIRECTOR, GOOD DOG STRATEGIES

# **Donation Form: Opt-in**





# **Donation form: What?!**

#### 流 Cityof Hope。

#### **Double Your Impact Today**

Every day at City of Hope, our researchers and clinicians work to find novel solutions to complex diseases like cancer and diabetes. Friends like you provide the resources they need to find new treatments and cures.

When you give to City of Hope, you are giving hope, second chances and the power to heal. And thanks to our generous friends at Scotch<sup>™</sup> Brand, your gift today will be DOUBLED up to \$100,000.

#### Will you partner with City of Hope and make twice the impact today?

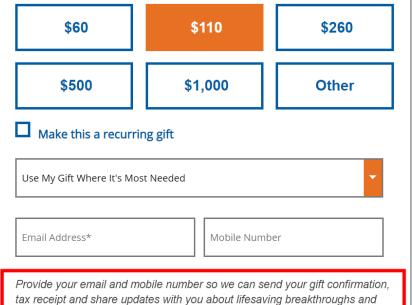
If you would like to donate to City of Hope in honor or in memory of a loved one, <u>please visit our</u> <u>Cards for Hope giving page</u>.



Raise

#### Your Most Generous Gift:

the impact of your generous donation.



### **Bad Form**

Email Address*	Phone Number	
	555-555-5555	
🗌 I want to receive emails. ** 🗲		
Employer		
♂Billing Information is Same as Abov	ve	
PAYMENT INFORMATION		
Credit Card Number *		
Expiration Date *	CVV Number * 📵	
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My Employer Matches Gifts		
I have/am interested in naming Dana-Farber in my will, trust, or long-term plans		
Tell Us Why You Give to Dana-Farber		
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** Receive our email updates to learn ways to io	in us in the fight against cancer. You can unsubscribe at any	
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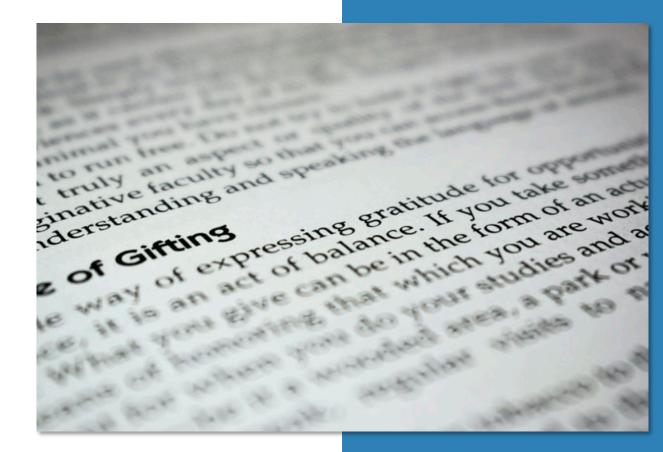
By taking action, you will be signed up for our monthly eNewsletter and communications about our

work. You can unsubscribe at any time.



## Gratitude Attitude

#### New subscribers rock!





## Gratitude Checklist

- $\checkmark$  Immediacy
- ✓ Mobile friendly
- ✓ Good subject line
- ✓ Sent by a person

- ✓ Personalized
- $\checkmark$  Easy on the eye
- ✓ Warm and friendly
- ✓ Set expectation



### Gratitude Attitude: On Site



### Thanks for signing up!

X

You'll find great content in your inbox soon.

At Teach For America, we know lasting change can happen: All children will get the excellent education they deserve.

See how change happens.

### WATCH VIDEO



## Gratitude Attitude: On Site

## Thanks

2 out of 3 people who sign up also add their local information here.

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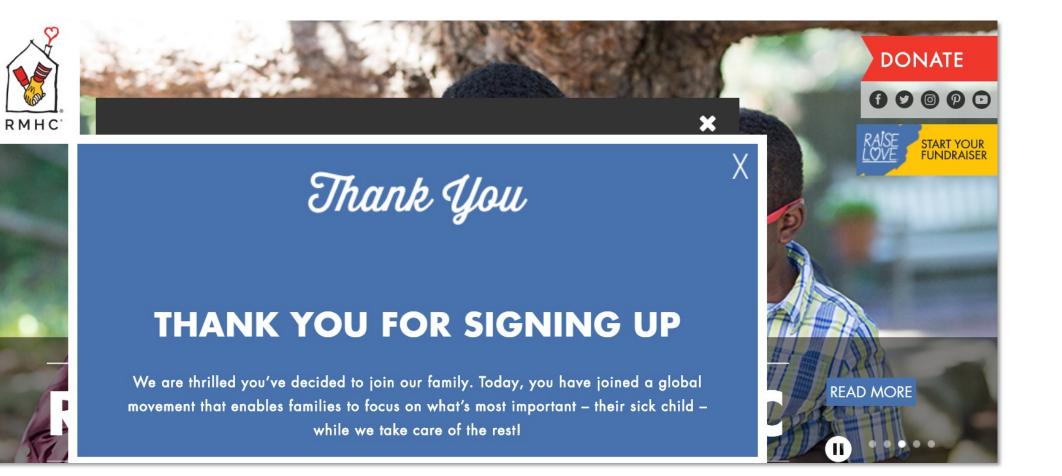
Make your voice stronger—connect with your own representatives. Help us send you state and local alerts.

Read our privacy policy.

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### Gratitude Attitude: On Site



## Welcome Email

Build the relationship from email number one





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### **Expert Opinion**



"Asking a new subscriber to donate - or do anything significant right away - is like asking you to marry them on the first date."

### JULIE COOPER

FUNDRAISING COPYWRITER & COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGIST, JB COOPER LLC



### **No Thanks**



Raise





Dear E,

Welcome to our Save the Children family! I couldn't be more grateful that you've joined our efforts to provide children around the world the best chance for the future they deserve.

Thanks to the commitment of compassionate people like you, Save the Children does whatever it takes to ensure children grow up healthy, educated and safe. In fact, last year alone, Save the Children worked in 120 countries, including the United States, reaching more than 134 million children!





### WATCH THE VIDEO TO LEARN MORE



We're excited to share our latest news and stories with you via email to let you know about the different parts of our work, why it's so important and how you can be a part of it. If you'd like to learn more right now, I hope you can watch this video about how Save the Children is working to transform the lives of children around the world.

On behalf of the children, I thank you for taking this step to create change that lasts a lifetime.

Sincerely,

Carry Miles

CEO, Save the Children

P.S. If you'd like to make a gift now, <u>please click here to help Save the</u> <u>Children do whatever it takes to provide more children with a better life</u> and a brighter future.



### **No Thanks**



#### New HealthWell Foundation Fund Offers Financial Assistance to People Living with Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome (LEMS)

#### Fund Provides Copayment and Premium Assistance

GERMANTOWN, Md. - December 27, 2019 - The HealthWell Foundation<sup>®</sup>, an independent nonprofit that provides a financial lifeline for inadequately insured Americans, has opened a new fund to provide copayment and premium assistance to people living with Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome (LEMS). Under the new fund, HealthWell will provide up to \$12,000 in financial assistance for a 12-month grant to eligible patients who have annual household incomes up to 500 percent of the federal poverty level.

According to the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), LEMS is a rare neuromuscular disorder that weakens and fatigues the body's voluntary muscles, usually causing weakness in the upper legs and hips. As the legs are particularly affected, it may be difficult to climb stairs, run, walk or get out of a chair. Approximately 50 to 60 percent of LEMS cases are associated with an underlying disease, particularly small cell lung cancer. While the trigger for LEMS is unknown in people without cancer, it is estimated that about half of those with LEMS have or will develop



## **No Thanks**



### BEATING CANCER IS IN OUR BLOOD.

#### Dear Supporter

Within The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Team In Training (TNT) program, we believe Curing Cancer is a Team Sport. TNT and LLS continue to innovate a program for fundraisers to change lives – both theirs and those impacted by blood cancer. TNT delivers an experience that inspires and supports "teammates" through camaraderie, coaching and personal discovery.

LLS's own Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Gwen Nichols, will have this experience herself by officially joining the team and taking on the Lavaman Waikola Triathlon with her son this year. An active tennis player and kayaker, Dr. Gwen is shifting gears for her Hawaijan





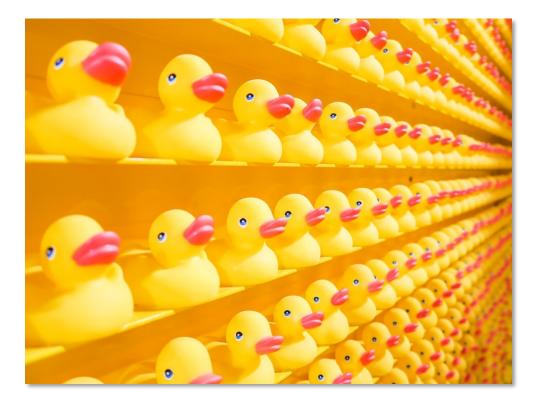
## #AlwaysBeTesting

Know what works and what doesn't





## What to Test and Analyze



- Form CTA
- Subject line
- CTR and conversions
- Content



### **Email Onboarding Checklist**

□ Form location: Bottom of every page The ask: Gimme a reason! □ Form fields: Email (and first name) Donation page mention: Yes, opt-in Gratitude: Pop-up message + welcome email □ Always be testing!



### QUESTIONS?

### Now's my time to hear from you!





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