

Fundraising Annual Plan



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POLL – Annual Fundraising Plans

Has your organization created an annual fundraising plan in the past, and if so, how did that go?

1. No, this would be the first time we had a formal plan
2. Yes, we've had a plan, but didn't really use it
3. Yes, we've had a plan, but we didn't come close to any of our goals
4. Yes, we've had a plan, but we'd like to improve our process
5. Yes, we've had a plan and followed it with great success

Annual Plans – What went wrong?

- Missing strategic plan and objectives
- Lofty goals
- Lack of action steps
- No analysis of previous results
- No schedule or accountability

Annual Plans – Benefit

- Prioritize needs
- Assigns resources
- Team alignment
- Focuses attention
- Evaluate results for future improvement

Annual Goals

- Impact Goal
- Fundraising Goals
 - Operating
 - Capital
- KPI Targets

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Annual Fundraising Plan

Fundraising Plan					
YEAR GOALS					
Impact Goal	Provide 300,000 hours of safe, educational, and healthy after school and summer programs to local children to help them succeed in school and a home.				
Overall Fundraising Goals					
Operating	\$	5,800,000	Capital	\$	200,000
Annual KPI Targets					
Donor retention	60%	Number of corporate sponsors	6		
Donor growth rate	10%	Board member participation	100%		
Matching gift rate	3%				
Average gift size	\$110				
Number of major donors	50				

Impact Goal

- Clear objective everyone can rally around
- Easily demonstrates positive influence on community
- Measurable, specific, simple
- Stretch but achievable

Financial Goals

- Operating and Capital
- Based on objectives
- Projections for demand/need
- Fundraising usually focuses on revenue
- Don't lose sight of expenses

Key Performance Indicators

- Chose a few related to objectives and revenue sources
- Evaluate previous KPIs and direction
- Identify the “whys”
- Utilize your CRM to generate reports
- Identify frequency of reports

Implementation of Objectives

- Target month
- Method
- Activities
- Responsible
- Target date

Implementation of Objectives				
Objective		Purchase new CRM software		
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Jul	Implement	Apply schedule and grants to new CRM	Washington	7/26/2023
Sep	Implement	Report on grant status at board meeting	Washington	9/7/2023

Sources of Revenue

- Source
- Constituent
- Current vs. New
- Delta

Revenue Sources						
Operating						
Source	Constituents	Current Revenue	Percent	New Revenue	New Percent	Delta
Annual Gifts	Individuals	\$ 360,000	7%	\$ 510,000	9%	42%
Special Appeals	Individuals	\$ 20,000	0%	\$ 80,000	1%	300%
Major Gifts	Individuals	\$ 800,000	15%	\$ 1,000,000	17%	25%
Online Giving	Individuals	\$ 20,000	0%	\$ 30,000	1%	50%
P2P Campaigns	Individuals	\$ -	0%	\$ 10,000	0%	New
Membership Dues	Individuals	\$ 15,000	0%	\$ 15,000	0%	0%
Planned Giving	Individuals	\$ 25,000	0%	\$ 25,000	0%	0%
Corporate Sponsorship	Corporate	\$ 30,000	1%	\$ 200,000	3%	567%
Event Sponsorships	Corporate	\$ 100,000	2%	\$ 200,000	3%	100%
Event Sales	Individuals	\$ 100,000	2%	\$ 200,000	3%	100%
Grants	Foundations	\$ 4,000,000	73%	\$ 3,500,000	60%	-13%
Service Fees	Clients	\$ 30,000	1%	\$ 30,000	1%	0%
Other	Other	\$ -	0%	\$ -	0%	0%
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- Is goal reasonable?

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Capital Projects

- Sources
- Projected Amounts
- Target Dates

Capital				
Project Name		Project Budget	Amount Raised	Amount Needed
Picnic and Outdoor Pavillion		\$ 750,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 550,000
Funding Source	Projected Amount	Target Date		
Home Depot	\$ 30,000	6/6/2023		
84 Lumber	\$ 10,000	8/14/2023		
McMichaels	\$ 15,000	8/14/2023		
Jensen	\$ 25,000	8/14/2023		
	\$ -			
Project Name		Project Budget	Amount Raised	Amount Needed
Renovate South Hampton Building		\$ 200,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 160,000
Funding Source	Projected Amount	Target Date		
French	\$ 5,000	7/15/2023		
Smith	\$ 5,000	7/15/2023		
Johnson & Co	\$ 10,000	12/31/2023		
	\$ -			
	\$ -			

Action Plans

- Month
- Method
- Activities
- Responsible
- Date
- Can add analytics

Action Plan						
Annual Gifts						
Month	Method	Activity	Responsible	Date		
Sep	Email	Send 1st appeal for annual gift	Washington	9/10/2023		
Oct	Email	Send 2nd appeal to those who haven't given yet	Washington	10/10/2023		
Nov	Mail	Send 3rd appeal those who haven't given yet	Washington	11/10/2023		
Nov	Phone	Call repeat donors who have not contributed yet	Wong	11/30/2023		
Dec	Email	Send 4th appeal to those who haven't given yet	Washington	12/5/2023		
Dec	Email	Send 5th appeal to those who haven't given yet	Washington	12/29/2023		
Special Appeals						
Number Sent		5000	Target Response Rate	10%	Average Gift	\$50
Month	Method	Activity	Responsible	Date		
Feb	Mail	Send appeal to lapsed donors	Washington	2/10/2023		
Mar	Email	Send follow up email to lapsed donors	Washington	3/31/2023		

POLL – Improving Response Rates

What is your favorite “tip” for improving direct mail annual and special appeal response rates?

1. Making the donor the hero – using “you” instead of “we”
2. Adding a great P.S. to the signature block
3. Adding stories from clients
4. Using a live stamp
5. Including a reply envelope
6. Hand addressed envelope

Improving response rates – Make a plan

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3. Adding stories from clients
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6. Hand addressed envelope
7. Personalize your message
8. Update donors throughout the year
9. Try new channels
10. Add videos
11. Follow up with phone call

Improving Response Rates – Make a plan

- Evaluate previous response rates
- Review your list
- Survey to identify their “why”
- Include your impact goal
- Focus on impact (more than outcomes)
- Don't forget the Call To Action (CTA)
- Use multiple tactics – letters, emails, texts, social

Online Giving

- Choose your channel (surveys)
- Use channel analytics
- Identify your target

Online Giving						
# of Campaigns		4	Impressions	100000	Average Gift	\$15
Clicks		400	Cost per Click	\$0.30		
Month	Method	Activity			Responsible	Date
Feb	Social	Run Facebook campaign for summer camp			Peters	2/2/2023
May	Social	Run Facebook campaign for vaccination clinic			Peters	5/29/2023
Aug	Social	Run Facebook campaign for Back to School promo			Peters	8/1/2023
Nov	Social	Giving Tuesday campaign Facebook, LinkedIn, TikTok			Peters	11/4/2023
Dec	Social	Year End campaign Facebook, LinkedIn, TikTok			Peters	12/15/2023

Online Giving – Improving Results

- Know your audience
- Establish purpose & goals
(communications plan)
- Mobile Optimized
- Maintain branding – eye catching
- Impact goal & CTA

POLL – Peer to Peer Campaigns

Has your organization tried Peer to Peer Fundraising?

1. No, it's not on our radar
2. No, but we are thinking about it
3. Yes, but it wasn't as successful as we had hoped
4. Yes, it is one of our annual events

Peer to Peer Campaigns

- Great for engagement
- Needs a PM
- Awards event

Peer to Peer Campaigns					
Number of Teams		20	Number of Fundraisers		100
Number of Donors		500	Target		\$10,000
Month	Method	Activity		Responsible	Date
Jan	Invite	Identify 20 team leaders		Jefferson	1/25/2023
Feb	Plan	Team leader to training & planning		Jefferson	2/26/2023
Mar	Launch	Launch campaign for summer camp		Jefferson & Peters	3/22/2023
May	Wrap	Complete campagin		Jefferson & Peters	5/4/2023

Peer to Peer Campaign Ideas

- Color Run/Walk/Ride
- Celebrity Chef
- Dance Competitions
- Christmas Tree Festivals
- Bowling/Kickball/Volleyball
- Park/Beach/Road Clean Up
- Trivia Nights
- Adopt-An-Animal/Classroom/Playground/Library

Planned Giving

Planned Giving							
Number of Committed Planned Gifts		10	Asks		20	Response Rate	50%
Month	Method	Activity			Responsible	Date	
Apr	Research	Develop plan for launching new legacy society			Wong	4/17/2023	
Jun	Present	Present options to Board for new legacy society			Wong	6/9/2023	
Jul	Design	Design new legacy brochures and web page			Wong & Peters	7/31/2023	
Aug	Mail	Send invitation for legacy society launch			Eli	8/30/2023	
Oct	Implement	Host legacy society launch party at Harbor Bay			Board	10/12/2023	

- Must have!
- Part of donor engagement program
- Can be simple or complex

Memberships

Memberships							
Total # Members		600	New Members		50	Renewal Rate	75%
Month	Method	Activity			Responsible	Date	
Jan	Email	Send member renewal reminders			Kali	1/15/2023	
Feb	Mail	Send member renewal reminders to lapsed			Kali	2/23/2023	
Mar	Research	Identify potential new members			Kali	3/15/2023	
Apr	Mail	Send invitations for new memberships			Kali	4/29/2023	

- Benefits
- Visitors → Members
- Members → Donors

Corporate Sponsorships

Corporate Sponsorships							
Total # Sponsors		6	New Sponsors		3	Renewal Rate	100%
Month	Method	Activity		Responsible	Date		
May	Research	Identify sponsor prospect list		Wong	5/2/2023		
Jun	Present	Present sponsor prospect list to board		Wong	6/9/2023		
Jun	Implement	Board assigns liason for sponsor prospects		Board	6/9/023		
Aug	Implement	Board visits sponsor prospects		Board	8/14/2023		
Sep	Implement	Board provide onsite tours for sponsor prospects		Board	9/19/2023		
Corporate Sponsors							
Company Name	Target Ask	Responsible	Project	Target Date			
Peters Hardware	\$ 1,000	Board	General Operating	8/14/2023			
Samsons	\$ 2,500	Franklin	General Operating	8/16/2023			
TFG Manufacturing	\$ 5,000	Board	General Operating	8/14/2023			
Galaxy	\$ 1,000	Jimenez	General Operating	8/22/2023			
Juris & Sons	\$ 1,000	Board	Summer Camp	9/1/2023			
Valley Hospital	\$ 5,000	Board	Healthcare	9/6/2023			
Sherman Oaks	\$ 5,000	Ali	Healthcare	8/14/2023			
Piper Aviation	\$ 5,000	Board	Summer Camp	8/16/2023			
All County Chamber	\$ 1,000	Board	Summer Camp	8/22/2023			
Casey Health Center	\$ 5,000	Board	Healthcare	9/1/2023			
Cornerstone Books	\$ 1,000	Franklin	Winter Camp	9/5/2023			
Jefferson Tire	\$ 1,000	Board	Winter Camp	9/6/2023			

Corporate Sponsorships

- Separate from events
- Identify organizations that have a natural connection
- In-kind vs. Cash
- Benefits –Deliverables
 - Access to your audience
 - Recognition and publicity

POLL – Grants

What percentage of your annual revenue is from grants?

1. 0% - we receive no grant funding
2. Less than 10%
3. 11 – 30%
4. 30 – 50%
5. Greater than 50%

Grants

Grants				
Month	Method	Activity	Responsible	Date
Mar	Research	Identify grant prospects	Washington	3/7/2023
Jul	Apply	Begin applying for grants	Washington	7/22/2023
Aug	Data	Enter data and status in new CRM	Washington	8/13/2023
Grant Applications				
Foundation	Project	Ask	Due Date	
Community Foundation	Afterschool bus	\$ 20,000	9/1/2023	
Hunt Family Fnd	Afterschool bus	\$ 5,000	11/14/2023	
Johnson & Johnson	Afterschool bus	\$ 40,000	9/1/2023	
VITA Care	Afterschool bus	\$ 30,000	9/1/2023	
Able Family Fnd	Afterschool bus	\$ 5,000	9/1/2023	
REESSA	Afterschool bus	\$ 10,000	12/1/2023	
Catholic Charities	Afterschool bus	\$ 5,000	9/1/2023	
UMC Foundation	Afterschool bus	\$ 8,500	9/4/2023	
Frenchman's Cove	Afterschool bus	\$ 6,000	9/15/2023	
Impact 100	Afterschool bus	\$ 100,000	10/1/2023	
United Way	Afterschool bus	\$ 4,500	10/15/2023	

Grants – improving results

- Identify the right funders
- Ensure you are ready for funding
- Put the time in to prepare
 - Make it specific not generic
 - Tell a story
 - Demonstrate impact (no headcounts!)
 - Realistic budgeting and timelines
- Don't give up after 1st rejection

Events

Events							
Attendees		300	Return Attendees		280	Revenue	\$300,000
Donor Conversion		80%	Sponsorships		\$100,000	Expenses	\$80,000
Month	Method	Activity			Responsible	Date	
Jan	Implement	Secure event location and place deposit			Smith	1/13/2023	
Jan	Meet	Meet with volunteer team to create event theme			Smith	1/31/2023	
Feb	Design	Design invitation and posters			Jacobs	2/28/2023	
Mar	Implement	Create event sponsorship packages			Smith	3/15/2023	
Mar	Implement	Create event invitation list			Smith	3/31/2023	
Apr	Mail	Send event invitations to sponsors & guests			Smith	4/30/2023	
July	Host	Host Evening Under the Stars			Smith	7/24/2023	

Events – evaluating past results

- Invite response rates
- Repeat sponsors
- Event attendee feedback
- Auctions/Paddle Raise/Raffles/Pulls results
- Expenses

Events – improving results

- Sponsorships
- Ticket sales
 - Bundle tickets
 - Early bird pricing
 - Table captains
- New sources of revenue
- Enticing entertainment
 - Raffles
 - Auctions

POLL – Moves Management

Does your organization have a formal donor engagement or moves management process?

1. No, we don't solicit major gifts
2. Not yet, but we would like to
3. Yes, but it isn't producing the results we want
4. Yes, we have a formal process to cultivate donors for major gift fundraising

Major Donors

Major Gifts					
Month	Method	Activity	Responsible	Date	
Sep	Phone	Call major donor prospects to thank for support	Mendez & Board	9/25/2023	
Nov	Meet	Set up meetings with major donor prospects	Mendez & Board	11/4/2023	
Giving Pyramid					
	Gift Amount	Number of Gifts	Sub-total		
	\$ 100,000	2	\$	200,000	
	\$ 50,000	4	\$	200,000	
	\$ 25,000	8	\$	200,000	
	\$ 20,000	10	\$	200,000	
	\$ 10,000	20	\$	200,000	
			\$	-	
		Grand Total	\$	1,000,000	
Major Donors					
Donor Name	Target Ask	Responsible	Project	Stage	Date
Sculthorpe	\$ 100,000	Wong & Board	General Operating	Cultivate	9/15/2023
Benjamin	\$ 100,000	Wong & Board	General Operating	Cultivate	11/4/2023
Hassid	\$ 100,000	Wong & Board	General Operating	Cultivate	11/6/2023
Folk	\$ 50,000	Wong & Board	General Operating	Qualify	11/8/2023
Freeman	\$ 50,000	Wong & Board	Healthcare	Solicit	11/12/2023
Basil	\$ 50,000	Wong & Board	Summer Camp	Qualify	11/15/2023
Perez	\$ 50,000	Wong & Board	Afterschool	Cultivate	11/16/2023
Irwin	\$ 50,000	Wong & Board	Afterschool	Cultivate	11/18/2023
Han	\$ 50,000	Wong & Board	Summer Camp	Cultivate	12/4/2023

Major Donors – improving results

- Implement a donor engagement or moves management process
- Engage the board
- Evaluate previous responses to proposals
- Establish goals – giving pyramid
- Use CRM to track stage
- Schedule interactions
- Connect to donor's personal mission to customize proposals

Calendar

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- Add all milestones & key activities
- Can sort by date or responsibility
- Identify potential issues

Next Steps

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