

Japan Earthquake Relief Fund

Building a Fundraising Program

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### **Building a Fundraising Program**

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## Fundraising 101

- 1. Special Events
- 2. Grants

Government

Corporation

**Foundation** 

- 3. Direct Mail
  - > Acquisition
  - > Renewal
- 4. Giving Clubs
- 5. Major Giving
- 6. Planned Giving



## Major Gifts from Individuals

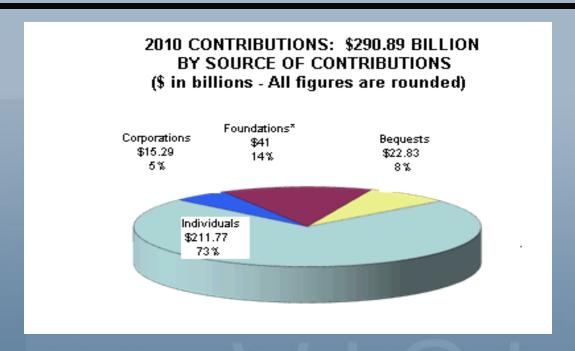
# "Because that's where the money is."

Willie Sutton



## Foremost Fact # 1

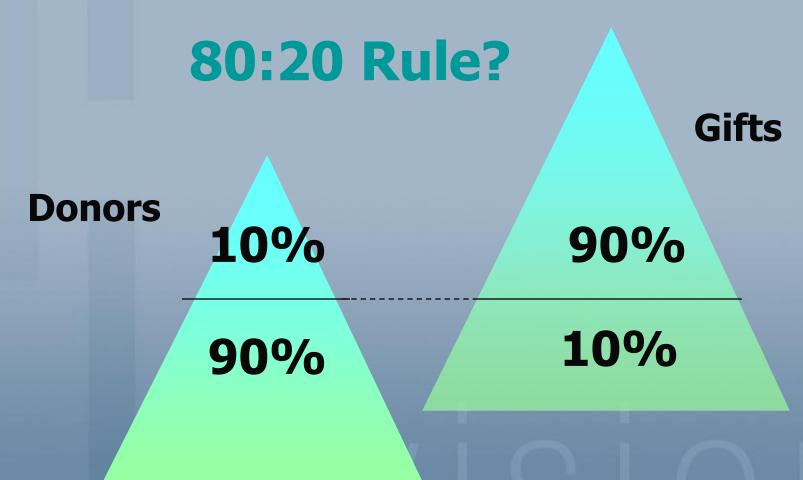
## Giving USA 2011: The Annual Report on Philanthropy for the Year 2010



81% From Individual Donors (88% with private foundations)



## Foremost Fact # 2





## Foremost Fact #3

#### **ROI: Cost to Raise a Dollar**

Fundraising Activity/Method	Cost to Raise \$1.00
Direct Mail Acquisition	\$1.00 to \$1.25
Direct Mail Renewal	\$0.20
Benefit Events	\$0.50
<b>Capital Campaign/Major Gifts</b>	\$0.05 to \$0.10
Planned Gifts	\$0.25
Corporation and Foundation Grants	\$0.20

Greenfield, James; Fund-Raising: Evaluating and Managing the Fund Development Process (1999)





# It's not all about me.



- Understanding the Donor
  - Values
  - Convergence with Mission
  - Capacity to Give
  - Strength of Commitment
  - Readiness (vs. other commitments, etc.)



#### **Donor Motivations**

- Self-Affirmation
- Personal Satisfaction
  - Altruism
  - Creativity
- Paying Back
- Association with Peers
- Association with Cause
- Recognition



#### Short Gains/Long Losers

- Cold Calling
- Strong-Arm Pressure
- Guilt
- Quid Pro Quo Appeal
- Agnostic Goals

"Winning's not the most important thing.

It's the only thing."

Vince Lombardi



It's not about winning.

It's about building relationships.



#### It's about . . .

- Developing Relationships
- Creating Community



#### Why Community?

Donors should see themselves as responsible members of a caring community.



#### **Developing Relationships**

- Understand Values Convergence
- Speak to Donor's Interests
- Provide Meaningful Engagement
- Explore Shared Interests
- Partnership Not Charity



# People give to people, not to causes.



- Volunteer Value Added
  - Furnish Credibility
  - Expand Human Resources
  - Extend Reach
  - Provide Intelligence
  - Catalyze Relationships



#### **AAA Participation Options**

- 1. Ambassador
  - Introduce and Invite (and/or)
- 2. Advocate
  - Cultivate and Steward (and/or)
- 3. Asker
  - Propose and Solicit

Asking for the gift is the last thing you do.



#### **Be Professional**

- Communicate Expectations Up Front
- Provide Clear Direction
- Respect Their Time
- Furnish Tactical Support

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.



Why should anyone support your cause?



#### **Case Elements**

- 1. Mission
- 2. Vision
- 3. Value

It's not what you do . . . It's the value you create



#### **Tough Case Questions**

- 1. Why do you exist?
- 2. How will you make a difference?
- 3. Why should I care?



#### Case Messages

- Goal Supporting
- Focused on Impact, not Activity
  - Values-Based ROI
- Consistent
  - Through Time
  - Across Organization
- Simple & Direct
  - Sound Bites
  - Stories



#### Case vs. Case Statement

#### The Case

- The Reasons You Deserve Support
- Justifications and Evidence

#### Case Library

- Case Messages
- Case Photos & Visuals
- Case Stories & Documentation

#### Case Vehicles

Publications, etc.



## Avoiding PG Phobia



#### Common Planned Giving Options

- I. Bequests
- II. Beneficiary Designations
- III. Property (Securities, LI & RE)
- IV. Life Income Gifts



- I. Bequests
- Provide sample bequest language
- Refer Donor to Attorney



- II. Beneficiary Designations (all or percentage)
- Life Insurance
- Financial Accounts
- Retirement Plan Assets



# III. Property (Securities, LI & RE) Securities

- Donor can avoid Capital Gains Tax
- Accountant computes deduction
- Charity only needs brokerage account



#### III. Property (Securities, LI & RE) Life Insurance

- Charity can own (Accept cash value only)
  - Paid up policy
  - By regular payments



#### III. Property (Securities, LI & RE)

Real Estate (residence, vacation, farm)

- Donor can retain right to reside
- Refer Donor to Attorney & Tax Accountant
- Conduct due diligence



#### IV. Life Income Gifts

- Provide donor lifetime income often at higher rate
- Charitable gift deduction
- Remainder to charity



#### IV. Life Income Gifts

- 1. Charitable Gift Annuities
- 2. Charitable Remainder Trusts
- 3. Charitable Remainder Accounts



- 1. Charitable Gift Annuities
- Most popular option for older Donors
  - Rates to 9.5%
  - American Council on Gift Annuities



## 1. Charitable Gift Annuities What is it?

- Contract with donor
- Provides donor guaranteed income stream
- Charitable tax deduction
- Remainder to charity (approximately 50%)



# 1. Charitable Gift Annuities How do they work?

- Pay donor fixed amount for life
- Organization invests assets & manages or
- > Outsource or
- Charitable Gift Annuity Reinsurance



- 1. Charitable Gift Annuities
  Charitable Gift Annuity Reinsurance
  - > Transfer longevity risk
  - > Transfer investment risk
  - Transfer administrative burden
  - Can enhance cash flow



#### CGA Reinsurance \$20,000 Gift

#### **Enhance Cash Flow**

- > \$14,820 premium for male 70
- > \$5,180 remainder available immediately

#### Reinvest at 20 yr Average Market Return

 $\gt$  \$5,180 @ 10.2% for 16.6 yrs = \$25,974.32



- 2. Charitable Remainder Trusts
- > Lifetime income
- Charitable deduction
- Remainder to charity



- 2. Charitable Remainder Trusts
  - A. Annuity Trust (fixed income)
  - B. Unitrust (variable income)

Leave the rest to donor's attorney and financial advisor.



- 3. Charitable Remainder Accounts
  - A. Fidelity Pooled Income Fund
  - B. US Charitable Gift Trust (Eaton Vance)



# 3. Charitable Remainder Account What is it?

➤ Like Charitable Remainder Trust—without setup costs and complications



# 3. Charitable Remainder Account How does it work?

- Donor deposits assets through Advisor
- Donor names charitable beneficiary
- > Investment company manages account
- Remainder passes to your organization



# 3. Charitable Remainder Account What do you need to do?

- Acquaint yourself with product basics
- Refer donor to US Charitable Gift Trust or Fidelity website
- Suggest that donor talk to Financial Advisor



# 3. Charitable Remainder Account Benefits to Organization

- Low entry threshold (\$20K vs. \$150K+)
- No technical expertise required
- No administrative responsibilities



# What's hot and what's not?



# Donor Advised Fund

#### What is it?

- Giving management tool
- Like Private Foundation—without setup costs, restrictions or government reporting
- Commercial account (Eaton Vance, Fidelity, Vanguard, Charles Schwab, etc., etc.)
- Immediate charitable deduction
- Retain influence & defer decisions
- Can grow without Capital Gains Tax



# Donor Advised Fund

#### How does it work?

- Deposit assets through advisor (\$10,000+)
- Investment company manages account
- Donor selects asset allocation to meet investment goals
- Donor recommends distributions via Internet



# Donor Advised Fund

#### Benefits to NPO

- Puts philanthropy on the table
- Low entry threshold (\$10,000)
- No technical expertise required
- No administrative responsibilities
- No overhead cost



#### Gifts of Stock

- Convert highly appreciated, low dividend stocks
- Increase return (CRT, CRA or CGA)
- Avoid Capital Gains Tax
- Earn charitable deduction



#### Charitable Gift Annuities

- Convert CDs or highly appreciated, low dividend stocks.
- Older donors increase return substantially (8% at 83)
- Provide tax benefits



#### Gifts of IRAs

- Donor avoids mandatory distribution
- Donor at least 70 ½
- Donor avoids income tax (no charitable deduction)
- Must transfer directly from IRA trustee to charity
- \$100,000 per year limit
- Through end of 2011 only



#### **Giving Circles**

- Like an Investment Club but for giving
- Learn about causes and giving strategies
- Facilitate group philanthropy
- Pool funds to impact shared causes

Giving Circles Network
http://www.givingcircles.org/



# Where do I start?



#### 1. Develop Case for Support

- Clarify Mission, Vision & Value
- Articulate Themes & Messages
- Determine communications vehicles
- Devise communications plan



- 2. Initiate mail/email solicitation
  - Generate cash flow
  - Build a donor base



- 3. Form Chapter Major Giving Committees
  - Screen membership databases
    - 1. Financial ability
    - 2. Strong interest
    - 3. Connections
  - Cultivate and solicit



- 4. Establish National Planned Giving Capability
  - Develop planned giving knowledge
  - Develop planned giving promotional copy
    - Bequests
    - Life Income Gifts (CRTs, CGAs, CRAs)
    - Life Insurance



#### 5. Promote Planned Giving

- National communications vehicles
- Chapter-level activities
  - Newsletter articles
  - Legacy societies



#### **Establish Chapter Giving Circles**

- Invite all alumni to join
- Determine group funding priorities
- Establish policies (giving level, decision making process, etc.)
- Open Donor Advised Funds



### Japan Earthquake Relief Fund: Building a Fundraising Program

# Q&A

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#### II. Beneficiary Designations

IRA Charitable Rollover (2011)

- > Subject to Required Minimum Distribution
- > Direct transfer to charity
- Maximum \$100,000 per individual
- Need not itemize
- > 70 1/2 years old