Social Media Best Practices

BUILDING SUPPORT ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Virginia Fund Raising Institute July 18, 2018



#VFRI2018

Today's Workshop



What is Social Media?



How Can Social Media be Leveraged for Fundraising?



Case Studies: What Did We Learn?



Panel Q&A



Meet the Panel



Bruin Richardson

Chief Advancement Officer
Children's Home Society of Virginia

Background

Attorney for 25 years; Board Member and Interim ED, Maymont

Favorite Tool

PowerPoint

Favorite Social Media

Facebook



Dave Martin

Chief Marketing Officer
Children's Home Society of Virginia

Background

Marcom for 22 years; President of Martin Branding; Marketing Director at Infian Technologies

Favorite Tools

InDesign, Photoshop

Favorite Social Media

Facebook



Jordan Pye

Content Marketing Specialist
Torx Media

Background

Crafting social media strategies for private businesses and nonprofits since 2014

Favorite Tools

WordPress, Feedly, Pocket, Google Analytics

Favorite Social Media

Pinterest



Erica Babcock

Marketing & Communications Officer
Better Housing Coalition

Background

Designed for publications, festivals, D.C. think tank, nonprofits

Favorite Tools

Adobe Creative Cloud, Evernote, Spotify, sketchbook

Favorite Social Media

Instagram



Matt Blakley

Manager of Individual Giving & Membership
Maymont Foundation

Background

Membership programs, art administration, nonprofits, writing

Favorite Tools

Microsoft Office, Basecamp, Adobe Creative Cloud, Spotify

Favorite Social Media

Instagram



Keith Zirkle

Massey Alliance Board Member (YP)
VCU Massey Cancer Center

Background

PhD Candidate in Biostatistics at VCU, founded Richmond Brunch Weekend

Favorite Tool

Notes on iPhone, Google Docs, R, Spotify

Favorite Social Media

Instagram and Venmo

Let's Take a Poll



Any others?

My level of expertise with social media is ...

- A. Non-existent
- B. Basic
- C. Pretty good
- D. I could teach this workshop

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Social media is ...

- A. My main job responsibility
- B. Part of my job description
- C. I manage a team responsible for social media
- D. Something my org wants to start doing
- E. Something I do to support my organization

One What is Social Media?







Social Media Explained



Twitter/ 'I'm eating a #donut

Facebook



I like donuts



Instagram Here's a vintage photo of my donut



YouTube Here I am eating a donut



LinkedIn in My skills include donut eating



Pinterest P Here's a donut recipe

'Communications' and 'Social Media' have different tactics.

COMMUNICATIONS		SOCIAL MEDIA
Brand in Control		Audience in Control
One Way / Delivering a Message		Two Way / Part of a Conservation
Repeating the Message		Adapting the Message
Focused on the Brand		Focused on the Audience
Educating		Influencing & Involving
Organization Creates Content		User Created Content / Co-creation

How Can Social Media be Leveraged for Fundraising?

Social media is a powerful tool in the fundraising toolbox.



Brand Awareness



Stewardship



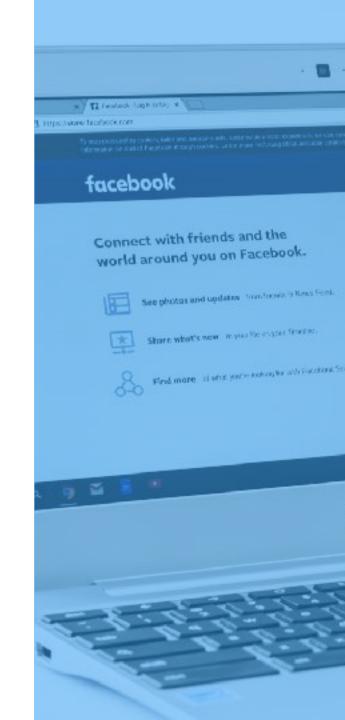
Engage Millennials (and turn them into donors)



Peer-to-Peer Fundraising



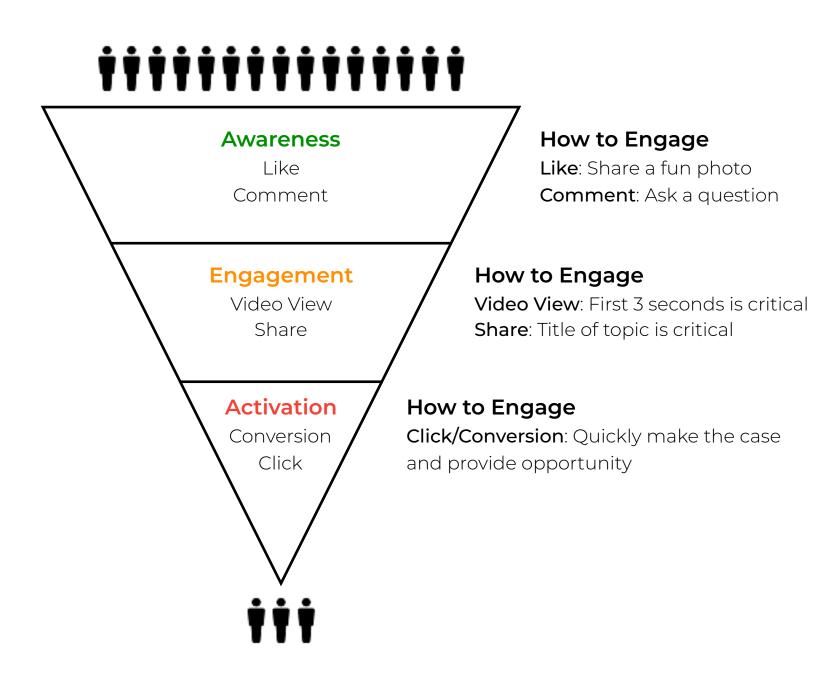
Measuring Outcomes



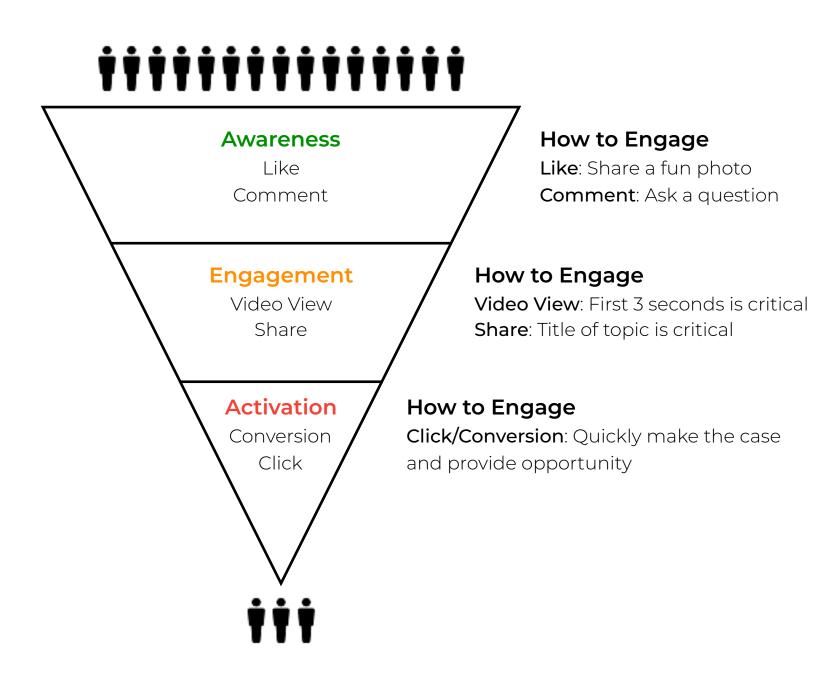
People fundraise and influence others, not a social media post.

Fundraising
through social media
takes time and
strategic planning.









Pop Quiz!

Half of the world's population is under age _____?

Search 'VFRI2018' on Facebook and comment under our selfie!

#LuckyNumber5

Three Case Studies: What Did We Learn?







Better Housing Coalition

2. Stewardship

Children's Home Society



3. Engage Millennials

Maymont Foundation



4. Peer-to-Peer Fundraising

VCU Massey Cancer Center



* Measuring Outcomes

Throughout case studies





#StayHomeRVA

Primary Goal: Brand Awareness











What We Did

Richmond's First Non-Event Gala: Low risk, high reward

DURATION OF CAMPAIGN

April 1 - May 17

GOALS

- 1. Raise \$50,000
- 2. Attract a wider audience to affordable housing with a unique event

A couple ways our Facebook audience could show their support:



Custom Cover Photo



Facebook Frame

How We Did It

Social media was one piece of a multi-pronged approach.

CAMPAIGN ECOSYSTEM

- · E-blasts (9) 4 general, 5 targeted
- Mailed invitations
- · Paid advertisements
 - * Newspaper, radio, Facebook
- Sponsorships
- Videos: Promo and Thank You
- · Website (standalone)
 - * Fvent Toolkit
 - ⋆ Digital Swag Bag (playlists, recipes by local celebrities)



How We Did It

Posted on social media daily leading up to event week using daily hashtags.

#MotivationMonday

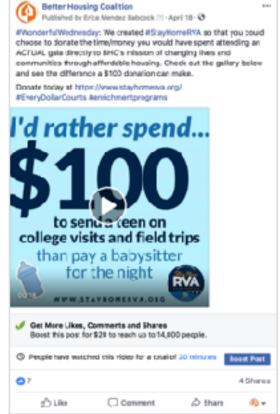
#ToolkitTuesday

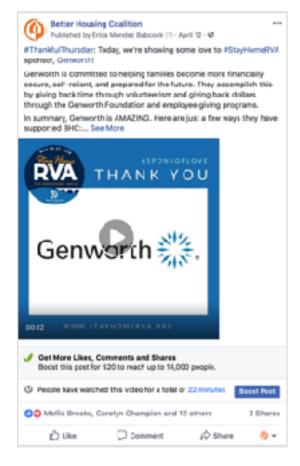
#WonderfulWednesday

#ThankfulThursday

#FunFriday







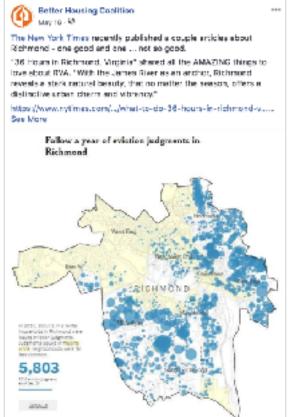
How We Did It

Posted multiple times/day during event week and shared supporters content*.

*Emailed to our staff, found with #StayHomeRVA hashtag, tagging on Facebook.









Results

Exceeded goal

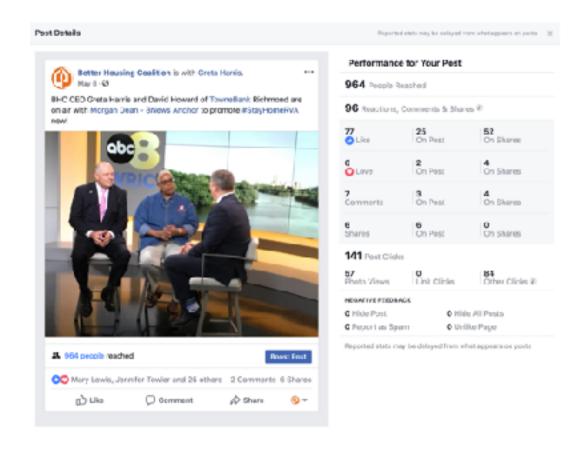
- Actual Raised: ~ \$57,765
 Goal: \$50,000 |. Expenses: \$4,657.62
- # Sponsors: 12 \$31,500 (60%)\$3,645 in-kind
- # Donors: 133 \$22,470# New Donors: 42
- Social Media
 # Facebook posts: 50
 # FB engagements: 14,938
 # Twitter posts: 27
 # Twitter engagements: 161
- stayhomerva.org website
 880 visitors
 62 swag bag downloads



Tips for Success

Find ways to increase your reach and engagement on social media. Work smarter, not harder!

- · Content is king
 - Visual (videos, slideshows, infographics)
 - Vary content to try to appeal to donors' motivations for giving
- · It's who you know
 - ⋆ Get staff & board involved early
 - * Tag, tag! Media, sponsors, donors
- Hashtags
 - Memorable event hashtag
 - * Weekday hashtags





Sharing Information on Social Media

Primary Goal: Stewardship





Background Info

CHS's Fundraising Toolbox

- Brand Awareness
- Fundraising Events
- · Relationship Building
- Grant Applications
- Corporate Partnerships
- Direct Mail, Annual Report
- Public Relations

- Digital Marketing
- Advertising
 - * Print, broadcast, digital display ads, outdoor, paid search
- Speaking Engagements
- Program Brochures
- Infographics
- Social Media



How We Did It

Stewardship:

Using effective communications to build meaningful, long-term relationships to encourage financial support



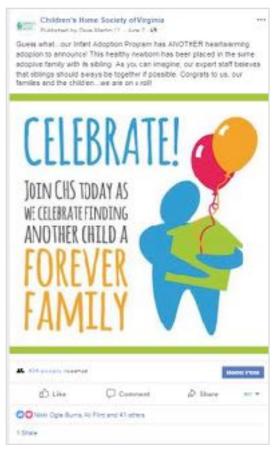
















A Grit Scoul Troop 5227 out of Chesterfield, or field by CHS adoptive parent Tammy George, has spent the last year on their Bronze /ward project during something special for The Possibilities Project transitioning foster youth. They collected and raised money to porchase Forrard Games Bins for each of the TPP residenced Each apartment will receive a lote of board games, electronic games and card games. The TPP Team's planning a Board Games & Pizza night very soon to break in the new Fun and Games Bins. THANKS GS TROOP 8227.









CHS is THRILLED and HONORLD to be one of two winners of the Ujima Logody Fund Cront! Lost right TPP Program Manager Dichdro Gregory our Board Chair-Elect Carlon Zenders and one of our participants of The Possibilities Project joined our President Notine Morah-Corter, members of Ujima and others at the Award Reception. Thank you to the Ujima Legacy Fund, and to all of our stort, clients one supporters for molecy CHS in success! The Community Foundation for a greater Richmond.





11. 185 people resulted Post



Studies indicate when children feel unsafe or threstened, their brain development may be negatively impacted with long-lasting effects on their learning shiftly as well as their social, emotional, and behavioral development. Additionally, their risk for developing mental health disorders such as depression, post traumatic stress, anxiety, hipolar disorder and others significantly increases.

Child welfare professionals have an apportunity to identify this early childheed traumal led for chronic or gootel and respond with early intervention that can offset the negative consequences.

Click below to learn more in this buffetin for professionals, called Supporting Brain Development in Traumatized Children in Youth, Child Welliare Information Cateway.







CHS Programs & Staff Client Stories Donation & Gifts CHS Values Articles & Peers CHS Events



















Primary Goal: Engage Millennials (and turn them into donors)













What We Did

A Two-Week, Multi-pronged Campaign: Low risk, low short-term reward, potential high long-term reward

DURATION OF CAMPAIGN

May 7 – May 18

GOALS

- 1. Raise \$2,000
- 2. Engage millennial audience



Here We "Coat" Again It's Baby Season at Maymont

Reinage Earte: May 7, 2018

Metha Contact: Carla Murray Director of Marketing & Communications Bry-298-21 6, ext 219

Fiveliding goats we whom at Maymout last week, and the looming bundles of jury more a escalable in public viewing (and abustion) at the Form They also can be seen fielicking, running, jumping, esting, sleeping and smagling on the May most live web cars at maymout ong/farm-care.

A female gost named use, who was been and raised at Mayerour, gave birth to two kido on sunday, amili eq. vag and her offspring live at staymour through a partnership with Wag M Wheel Parm. Amelia, another temale goat and a permanent rendeat at Maymont, gave buth to three indo on Tuesday, May a

"There's no doubt that Maymon's adorable new babies are going to be superstant in the eyes of our guests," said Parke Richeson, Maymont Executive Director. "We've always known that goat hids delight everyone who visits, and revent community research has confirmed that Waymont's suimals are incredibly. popular with Eich conders. May must reconsistently ranked mentale heat things to do in Richmoni on Trips Is is or and other sites because of the unique array of accust heroes have."

in addition, suremore has scalesmed baby chicks, docklines, alligators and sharks this apping, and turnle hatchlings will arrive this week.

Arryone who would like to help feed and care for the new hables and the rest of scayment's animal family is encouraged to fenant to the adopt an animal program at maymorn.org /adopt. Supportate who give \$45 or more to the program through may at will be entered to win a close encounter (coefnaive coddle time.) for four people with the baby exats.

Please contact us for images, inferences and further information.







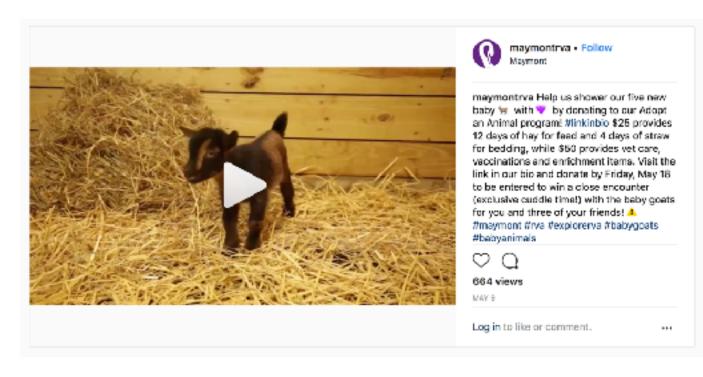


How We Did It

Social media was one piece of a multi-pronged approach.

CAMPAIGN ECOSYSTEM

- · Social Posts (five)
 - * Instagram/Facebook/Twitter/YouTube
 - ⋆ Two per week a one "thank you" post
- · E-blasts (four)
 - * Beginning, mid-way, last chance, thank you
- Direct Mail (two)
- Incentives
 - ★ \$25-\$500 three raffle drawing for
 30-minute cuddle time with goat kids
 - ★ \$1,000 30-minute cuddle time with goat kids + 8x8 paver at Maymont Farm



662 views, 9 comments

Results

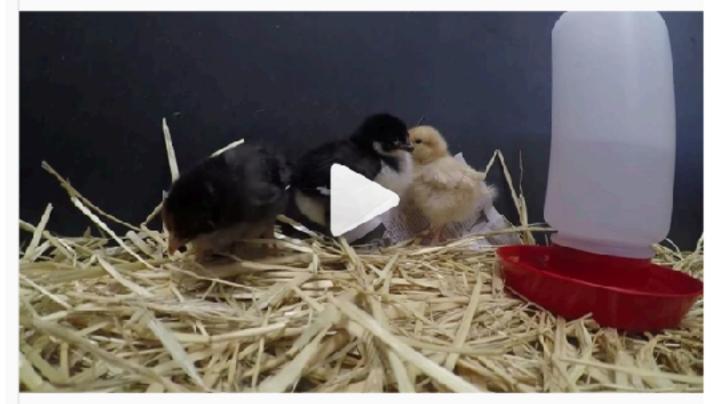
Exceeded goal

Raised: \$6,825Goal: \$2,000

- # Donors: 74# New Adopt An Animal Donors: 65# New Maymont Donors: 44
- % Online Donations: 88%% Estimated Millennials: 81%



662 views, 9 comments





maymontrva 'Chick' out Bertha, Barbie and Beverly in action!

Help us care for these three baby chicks by donating to our ∧dopt an Animal program. Just \$25 provides them with feed, straw and nesting materials for weeks. Click the #linkinbio and make your donation by Friday, May 18 for a chance to win a close encounter (exclusive cuddle time!) with the baby goats for you and three of your friends!

#maymont #rva #explorerva #babychicks #babyanimals

iberendthhotography Eyclusive cuddle



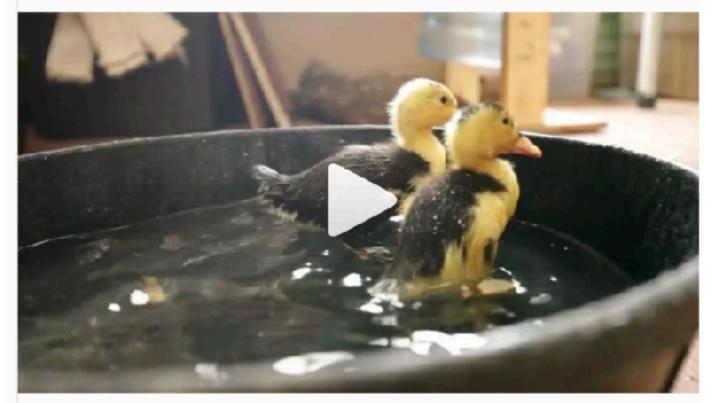


660 views

MAY 10

Log in to like or comment.

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maymontrva Donate a few bucks to help care for the baby ducks (and the other baby animals)! Click the link in our bio and give \$25 or more to our Adopt an Animal program by Friday, May 18 to be entered to win a close encounter (read: exclusive cuddle time!) with the baby goats for you and three of your friends! #maymont #rva #rvax #babyducks #ducklings #babyanimals maggiemcfadden @dani_ellis19 @ @ @ dani_ellis19 @maggiemcfadden \$25

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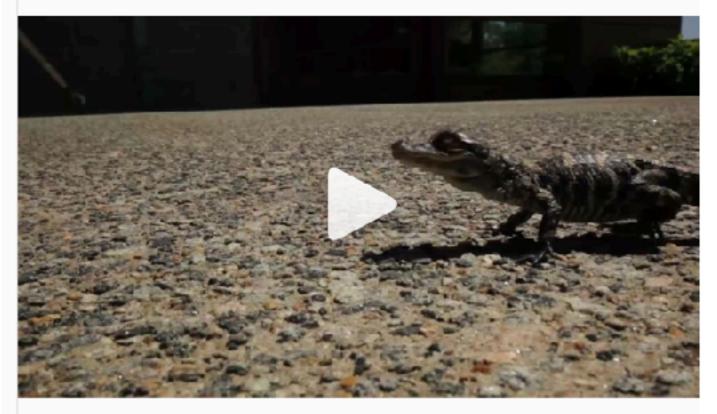


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MAY 15

Log in to like or comment.

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maymontrva Interested in petting and playing with the baby goats? Click the link in our bio and donate \$25 or more to our Adopt an Animal program by tomorrow (May 18) for a chance to win an exclusive cuddle session for you and three of your friends! All donations help to care for Maymont's animals, including these tiny baby 'gators! maymont #rva #rvax #explorerva #babyalligators #babyanimals

thefadedbird Awww!!!! ♥③





638 views

MAY 17

Log in to like or comment.

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Tips for Success

Social media should never be your campaign's sole approach.

- Your campaign should be multi-pronged, broadening awareness and accommodating all styles of giving
- Segment your campaign's audience(s) by how you will approach them
 - * Why? Less about age and more about behavior
 - * Example: 75-year-old woman saw campaign Facebook post but still feels apprehensive about online giving
- Engage audience, incentivize giving
 - * Pithy, casual tone
 - * Add emojis
 - * Use whatever your organization can to create a sense of urgency
 - ✓ Donate by this Friday for a chance to . . .

MAYM©NT THINGS TO DO | PLAN YOUR VISIT



Don't Chicken Out - Adopt an Animal Today

The arrival of spring means the arrival of new additions at the Maymont Farm! Three baby chicks, Bertha, Barbie and Beverly, and two ducklings, Fig and Kiwi, joined our animal family in April. Help us shower them with love by donating to our Adopt an Animal program. Your support will provide food, cozy straw bedding, veterinary care, enrichment items, and more. Visit our website to see these cuties in action and make a donation. Best of all, make a symbolic adoption by Friday, May 18 and you'll be entered to win a close encounter (exclusive cuddle time!) with our baby goats for you and three of your friends.

ADOPT TODAY AND ENTER TO WIN

The Maymont animal family includes injured and orphaned wildlife, friendly farm animals, aquatic species native to the James River, and even animal ambassadors like Rex, the king snake, who help our educators teach project-based learning and SOL classes. The animals' well-being relies on a healthy diet, regular veterinary care, enrichment activities and habitat maintenance at an annual cost of \$500,000!

Want to show your support in a really big way? Become a Maymont "Champion." This limited-time giving level includes a custom engraved paver at the Farm along with other symbolic adoption benefits. What a great way to celebrate your favorite Maymont animals and give the new babies a remarkable head start on their feeding and care!

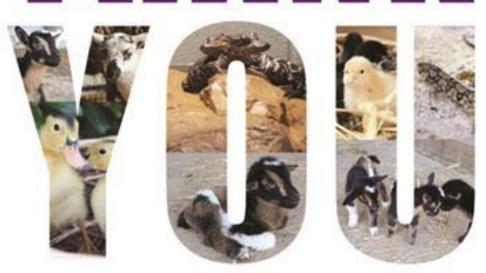
BECOME A CHAMPION



Social media should never be your campaign's sole approach.

- Not sure what to focus your campaign around? Think about what's going on in your organization's atmosphere and what information will be focused on before, during, and after your campaign
 - * Example: "Here We 'Goat' Again It's Baby Season at Maymont" press release
- Don't forget to add campaign language to automated receipts
- · Thank everyone even those who didn't give





Visit our YouTube Channel to see all our babies in action and a fun blooper reel with outakes from baby season at Maymont!













#MasseyChallenge

Primary Goal: Peer-to-Peer Fundraising













What We Did

Massey is the official charitable partner of the Ukrops Monument Avenue 10K - "Make Your Miles Matter":

Low risk, high reward

DURATION OF CAMPAIGN

Late February - April

GOAL

Get every runner to accept the Massey Challenge to "Make their Miles Matter" by fundraising as part of #TeamMassey.

· "Raising \$100 is as easy as asking 10 friends for \$10!"



How We Did It

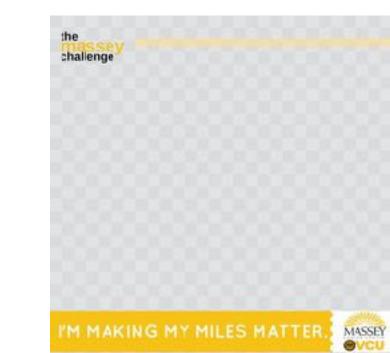
Peer-to-Peer fundraising (sometimes called "social fundraising" or "friends asking friends")

- Combines fundraising and awareness
- Expands Massey's network by reaching new audiences

CAMPAIGN ECOSYSTEM

Facebook

- * Budget: \$636.26
- * 105,662 total impressions (# people who saw our ads)
- * Can be seen multiple times by the same person maybe they click the second time!
- * Reached 31,703 people (# unique people shown our ads)
- * More than 10% of people reached took a desired action



How We Did It

CAMPAIGN ECOSYSTEM Continued

Facebook Ads

- ★ Goal was to encourage runners to accept the #MasseyChallenge
 - ✓ Some posts centered on incentives for raising a certain amount, e.g. "Raise \$50 by Friday!"
 - ✓ Others posts centered on general fundraising advice
- * Balanced engagement (liking or sharing) vs. clicking (going to another webpage e.g. registration page)



Example Facebook Ads

Engagement costs money. Average cost per click \$1.42.



Written by Sara Woznicki [Y] - March 29 - @

Hetp us put cancer on the run by joining the MMasseyChallengef Sigr up as an individual fundraiser or as a team with your friends, family, coworkers, classmales, etc. (the more, the merrier): http://bit.ly/MasseyChallenge.

Once you raise \$100 for local cancer research at VCU Massey Cancer Center, you'll earn a golden technical Team Massey jersey to rock for the Ukrop's Monument Avenue 10k.

"Race registration fees are separate and do not benefit Massey. You can also join the Massey Challerge without signing up for the 10k if fundraising for cancer research is your thing but running's not. We call it 'virtual running.



Massey Challenge: Raise \$100 to Earn a Gold Jersey

Make your miles matter by taking the Massey Challenge. Will your dollar be the one that curts cancer?

TEAMNASSEY.ORG

Sign Up

111 clicks @ \$.90 per click

- · Call to action!
- · Bright imagery
- Targeted, but large audience





🚣 🚣 We're hosting a fundralsing bitts! 🚣 🚣

Raise at least \$50 on your individual fundraising page between now and I inday to be entered to win a Team Massey zip up in the size of your choosing

We'll randomly select one winner from anyone who gets a new donation of \$50 or more between now and this I near at moon, so strare your personal link with everyone you know! http://bit.ly/MasseyChallenge



Raise \$50 for a Chance to Win Team Massey Zip-Up

Now is also the perfect time to personalize your fundraising page if you haven't yet

done so yet?

HTTPS://WWW.TEAVMASSEY.ORG/MASSEYCHALLENGE.

Donate Now

20 clicks @ \$2+ per click

- Engaging video, but didn't drive clicks
- Short run-time to highly targeted audience



Example Facebook Ads

Lower cost per engagement for still pictures.

Average cost per engagement \$.29.



2,369 video views @ \$.02 each



Performance for Your Post		(1)
() Minutes Viewed	500	>
Video Views	2,830	>
10 Second Views	1,339	>
☐ Video Average Watch Time	0:05	>
		>
Audience and Engagement		>

Results

Raised: \$262,000

- Massey Challenge Facebook event:
 15K+ impressions
 2,000 people reached
- Volunteer event:5.4K impressions2.2K people reached



Tips for Success

Give posts an opportunity to gain organic traction before "boosting" them.

- Targeting specific lists was effective for driving clicks, but at a higher cost than broader audiences
 - * Frequency for ads is higher with smaller list
- Unpaid posts work too! Use for shout outs and personal stories!
- Consider making a Facebook event
- · Tag people, pages, and events to increase audience size
- · Pictures of people are best for engagements
- · Videos are great for driving engagement, but not clicks









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* Measuring Outcomes

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