

# Creating The Perfect Profile, Storytelling, & Goal Setting Strategies

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# Agenda

- Perfect Profile Checklist
- Storytelling During the Giving Day
- Goal Setting Strategies & Examples
- Questions
- Optional breakout room hosted by Yellowstone Valley Gives (all are invited!)

# Creating the Perfect Profile

# Perfect Profile Checklist

- Logo and a cover photo
- Authentic, up-to-date story
- Goals displayed prominently
- Clear calls to action
- Additional visual content featured (photos & videos)
- Donation levels with images & descriptions

# Visual Content & Donation Levels

# Visual Content

**Returning participant? Refresh your images if you copied them from last year!**

- Let images tell a story about your work
- Don't have any good quality images? Ask your staff, volunteers, and supporters to submit theirs!
- Use stock images for donation levels



# Suggested Donation Amounts

**Help donors understand the impact of their gift by suggesting a donation amount!**

1. Identify 3 - 4 dollar amounts to suggest
2. Determine what each amount can support
3. Add an image & short description for each



**\$25**

*Purchases 10 Books*



**\$50**

*Sponsors one membership in a computer literacy course*



**\$100**

*Purchases 5 new keyboards for community computer use*

# Storytelling

# The Significance of Storytelling

**Storytelling helps donors connect to your organization!**

- Provokes active listening and participation
- Lays the foundation of your organization's "big picture" or "why"
- Provides context and clear calls to action
- Empowers supporters to be a part of your story and mission
- Even more significant in the digital era!

# Curating Your Story

## Who inspires your stories?

- Beneficiaries
- Volunteers
- Donors
- Staff
- Community Members

## Themes to Think About:

- Your Founding
- Your Focus
- Your Impact
- Your People
- Your Strengths
- Your Future

# Story Writing Prompts

**Focus Story: Not a mission statement, but a story built around your mission**

- What services do you provide (who is being helped)?
- How are services delivered (how do you help them)?
- What are the outcomes of these services?

**People Story: Told from the perspective of a current employee, volunteer, or supporter**

- How did you get involved with the organization?
- What impact did the organization have on you?
- What impact does your work with the organization have on the larger community?

# Story Writing Prompts

**Impact Story: Before-and-after tales of beneficiaries who have felt the direct impact of your organization and its mission**

- Tell us about your life before you worked with our organization
- What led you to reach out to our organization?
- How was our organization able to help you?
- Do you remember any specific individuals you worked with or programs you participated in? Tell us about them.
- What does your life look like after working with us? What are you looking forward to in your future?

# Asset Checklist

## Images

- 5-10 Photos of your mission in action
- Stock Photos that encapsulate your mission

## Videos

- Host on YouTube or Vimeo for easy sharing
- Thank You Video

## Infographics

- Highlight donor impact & data
- Testimonials

# Formatting Your Story

Tell Your Story



- Change Font Typeface
- Header Text Formatting
- Text Color & Size
- Paragraph Text Formatting
- Content Alignment
- Add Bulleted or Numbered Lists
- Upload Images
- Add Hyperlinks
- Insert Tables
- Insert Horizontal Lines
- View in Fullscreen
- Edit in HTML
- Undo/Redo last action
- Click to see more/hide more



# Goal Setting

# Questions To Ask Before Your Giving Day

- What were we able to achieve in previous years?
- Do we have a campaign or event around this time of year?
- What are our most crucial needs at this time?
- What will help to improve long-term sustainability?

# Popular Giving Day Goals

- Monetary Amount
- Donor Amount
- New Donors
- Repeat Donors
- Recurring Donors
- Board Engagement
- P2P Engagement
- Volunteer Engagement
- Social Media Engagement
- Win Prizes or Matches

# Examples

- \$5,000 raised during our Giving Day will provide a year's worth of healthy lunches for every low income student at Middletown Elementary School.
- Support from 100 donors on Giving Day will unlock an additional \$10,000 from our board of trustees.
- On our Giving Day, we can win an extra \$5,000 and feed every animal in the shelter for a week, by having the most donors from 12am - 11:59pm.

# Setting Your Goals

- Narrow down 1-3 specific goals to focus on
- Determine which goals are internal vs. external
  - Internal: Become more familiar with online fundraising tools, strengthen relationships with board members
  - External: Raise \$5,000 for new supplies, secure at least \$1,000 in matching funds prior to the day.
- Stretch goals are great to have in your back pocket should you reach an external goal before the giving day is over!

# Who should know about your goals?

- Internally: Board Members, Staff, Steering Committees
- Externally: Major/Recurring Donors, Matching Sponsors, Fundraisers, Donors and other supporters
- This distinction is important, as you may need to curate different “asks” for these individuals as a result of the goal(s) you set.

# Where should you share your external goals?

- Everywhere you communicate with donors!
- Include your goals in the story section of your page
- Add goals to social media posts and provide updates throughout the Giving Day to keep donors engaged
- Share your goal ahead of time in your newsletter or email
- Create graphics to help visualize your goal, and use them in social media

# Sample Strategies



# Monetary Goal Strategies

- Make it clear what the funds raised will help you achieve
- Secure matching funds and motivate donors to make a greater impact with their gift
- Recruit peer-to-peer fundraisers to help you expand your reach to more donors
- Collect stories from those who would be directly impacted

The screenshot shows a fundraising page for 'PAWNEE GIVES' on the GiveGab platform. The page features a large image of a dog's face at the top. Below the image, there are social media icons (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) and a 'DONATE' button. The page title is 'Logan's Pups'. A progress bar indicates that 30% of the goal has been reached, with '\$995 Raised' and '\$10,000 Goal' displayed. Below the progress bar, there are four donation options with corresponding images and descriptions:

Amount	Description
\$25	Provides one week of food for a senior pup
\$50	Provides a super soft bed for a loving senior pup
\$100	Helps a family foster one of our amazing senior pups
\$500	Provides life changing surgery to a senior pup in need

Below the donation options, there is a button labeled 'CHOOSE YOUR OWN AMOUNT'. At the bottom of the page, there is a navigation menu with links for 'Our Story', 'Matches', 'Fundraising Campaigns', 'Top Fundraisers', and 'Recent Donors'. A chat icon is visible in the bottom right corner.

# Donor Goal Strategies

- Create donation levels in lower amounts to encourage lower capacity donors
- Find significance in the number you chose for your goal and share it!
- Recruit peer-to-peer fundraisers to help you expand your reach
- Encourage social sharing amongst your supporters
- Motivate your supporters with an incentive for the donor that reaches your goal



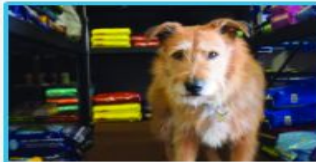
**\$5**

One bag of bones for our senior pups!



**\$10**

One blanket to keep our pups cozy.



**\$15**

One case of yummy food to feed our pups!



**\$20**

One water fountain to keep our pups hydrated!



**\$25**

One shot to keep our pups disease free!

# New Donor Goal Strategies

- Recruit peer-to-peer fundraisers to help you expand your reach
- Highlight benefits of being a donor to your organization
- Share stories about your existing donors and why they give
- Use hashtags on social media to be heard in different conversations
- Ask each of your supporters to share your profile with friend



## New Here?

**First time donors receive a free Logan's Pups t-shirt when they make a contribution on Giving Day!**

**Join the Logan's Pups Family Today**

# Key Takeaways

- Storytelling is a key part of your Giving Day participation.
- Stories that donors can personally relate to will be more impactful than facts & figures
- Set clear goals prior to the Giving Day to help you develop a more focused strategy for success.
- Communicate your goals regularly and keep supporters updated.
- Incorporate goals into your storytelling and use your profile to help donors visualize the impact their gift can have

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