REGULAR GIVING

Starting a Regular Giving Program
learnings from
Marie Curie Cancer Care (UK)
and
Make-A-Wish Australia





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Marie Curie Cancer Care

- Started in 2009 in-house team across 5 regions
- Positive net return year 2
- \$9M
- F2F agency recruitment in 2011

Make-A-Wish Australia

- Commenced in 2010 with conversion campaign and F2F recruitment
- Positive net return year 2
- \$5M gross in 2013
- 14,000 supporters
- Average gift \$35 p/m





the What and How

Lesson 1 – managing expectations and risk

Examples of unrealistic expectations

- Program value
- Program growth
- Risk assessment
- Budgeting
- Assumptions
- Internal administration/resources
- Policies and procedures

the What and How

- What's the risk appetite of the Board, CEO, Brand & Communications and other teams?
- Fast growth or slow?
- What part of the fundraising mix?
- Vision for the program?
- How much budget do you have?
- What are your assumptions? And how do they compare?
- Use industry averages as a guideline only & Agency quotes
- Set up a predictive budget model and LTV model
- Is your database/financial system equipped to run an RG campaign
- Does everyone understand the language/segments etc
- What type of acquisition?
- Will you process refunds/have the right privacy policies in place?

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"I don't like Regular Giving"

Lesson 2 - Education, education and more education

- Understanding how it works
- Need for it to be supported and understood at all levels of the organisation
- What's best for the organisation it's not personal
- Plan for communications and education
- Training

"I don't like Regular Giving"

- Have program key messages (link in with industry groups to align)
- Understand your organisation's position with feedback/media etc
- Know how to articulate your program easily
- Know what you're asking people to do
- Training program internal and external if training volunteers
- Spend the time getting people on board first, it will pay off in the long run!

How will you recruit?

Lesson 3 – acquisition ups and downs

Pros and cons of acquisition techniques

- F2F typically most expensive and highest attrition
- Conversion with the right data a successful and more cost effective solution – lower attrition (but what about cash acquisition costs and return)
- TM lead acquisition good results, can be expensive, attrition typically lower, newer to market
- TM Raffle & Gift conversion top segments perform really well, must have data coming in, administration is heavy, communications are more complex, need good T&Cs
- In-House typically more cost-effective; slightly better attrition than agency F2F; requires extensive internal HR, resources, logistics etc
- DM acquisition low response rate so volume is key, can be cost effective, need a strong proposition, high retention
- Other volunteer recruitment, online, anymore?

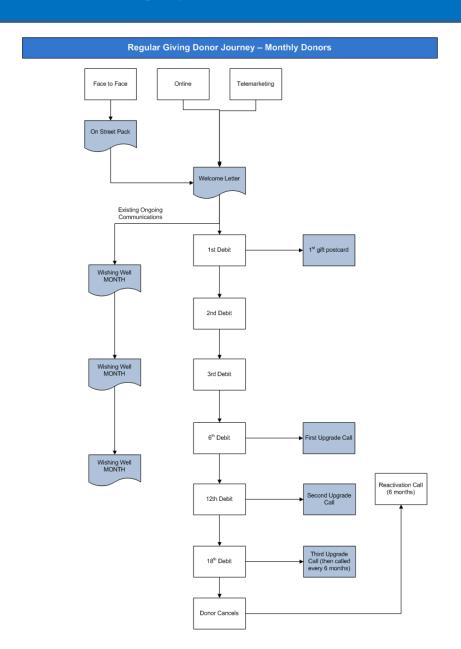
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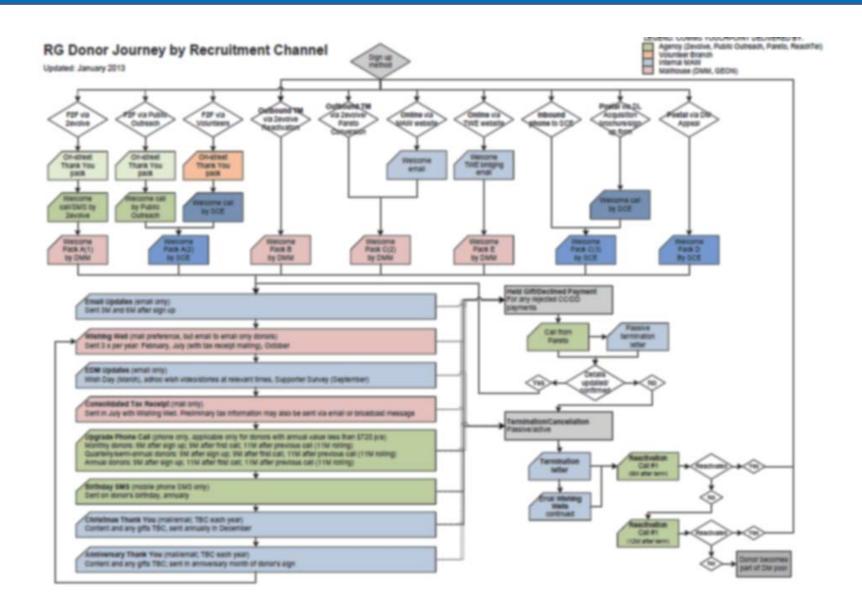
- Go back to your risk profile what most suits your organisation and do you need to drive volume and how quickly?
- Do your sums if you have a good LTV model and budgeting comparisons then assess all-in costs
- How many do you need to recruit to achieve your growth?
- How many cash givers do you have and ensure this program is also being topped up?
- Will you ask RGs for additional cash gifts if so how many/when?
- Diversification is key reducing supplier risk
- Supplier due diligence research, testimonials, cost and performance comparisons

Lesson 4 - Retention

- Journey before rolling out acquisition
- Different understandings and approaches to stewardship and fundraising communication - saying thank you, implementing 2 way communication, recognising segments (more that just RFV)
- Getting creative and pushing for content/new ways videos, sms etc
- Understanding of time and resources for database and administration to prepare and implement

- What's your approach to stewardship and retention?
- What channels/resources can you use?
- Capture and share stories beneficiaries and supporters
- Always recognise your supporters as RG supporters
- Map your journeys all of them!
- Define and refine your segmentation
- Get creative



















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I'm proud to support Make-A-Wish® Australia

MAKE WISH.

*These are examples of Wishes Make-A-Wish grant every year. Ongoing donations help to continue granting all kinds of magical Wishes!

No matter how big or small, each Wish is lovingly hand crafted by the Wish Services Team who work hand-in-hand with our many volunteers to make each Wish a special and memorable occasion.

In addition to the 400 Wishes granted, 80 Wish Hampers were presented to children under 3 years-of-age who were too young to make a full Wish. The hampers are filled with toys which are tailored to each child's interest and oblitties and provide a great source of joy and fun for these younger kids.



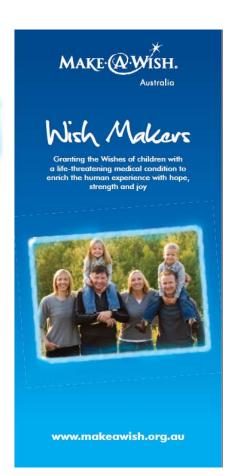


Fitted with a custom made uniform, helmet and badge, Chris was inducted into the force and given a ride in a police cruiser and helicopter. When he passed away only days later, he was given a funeral with full police honours. This Wish became the inspiration for Make-A-Wish throughout the world.



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Above: Envelope

We all had a wonderful time in Queensland,

do things that were fun for Callum.

especially Callum who had the time of his life. It was such a good feeling having a week to just

His energy levels and sense of adventure went way beyond our expectations and we have some memories that we will be able to cherish for

Wish Mum, Janine



contributions are changing lives by sending you regular updates

Unless you have expressed a preference for these updates

As all donations over \$2 are tax-deductible, we will send you

a consolidated tax receipt, clearly itemising all your generous

to be posted, we will send them to you by email.

Saying thank you cannot properly express our

gratitude for the experience as a whole and for

No matter what happens in our lives from now

we have the shared memories of this beautiful

Wish Mum, Adrienne

all the special detail included.

time together.

on the wishes you are helping to grant.

gifts, at the end of every financial year.



New 2014/15 calendar

Left: Thank you brochure DL



Surprising our supporters by sending them SMS

- More than 90% of our Regular Giving supporters have a valid mobile number
- Inexpensive & effective personal contact
- On average we receive 32 responses every month from supporters – all positive!

No thank you for thinking of me. It's my pleasure to help!

Thanku so very much. Lovely of you to send wishes. Has made my day.

To u all at MAKE A WISH thank u for your kind wishes no other foundation has done this before today again I thank u and may u all have a great year.

Reporting and Analysis

Lesson 5 - know what you are measuring

- Measures that are right for your organisation
- Measures that are understood and can help you refine your program
- Effective reporting clear parameters/segments/definitions
- Making sure data segments/language is the same or at least well understood across the organisation
- Comparison reporting

Reporting and Analysis

- Start with the basics
- Decide what reporting you need from your mapped journeys
- Make sure they are indicators that lead you to ask the right questions and make the right improvements
- Check your data is set up to report on what you need it to (e.g. can you measure historical performance/snapshots in time)
- Some agencies can analyse for you, but careful what they interpret without all the information/background
- Data dictionary, segmentation
- It will evolve!