Social Media Strategies

Everything you need to know about the most popular social media platforms and how to leverage them for stronger engagement with your supporters

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The Benefits of Social Media

- By 2018, 33% of the world will be on social media
- Creates an opportunity to share with supporters regularly
- Allows for more casual updates and calls to action
- Builds off your organization’s voice, branding, and message
- Tracks supporter engagement and conversions

Source: Nonprofit Tech For Good
Social Media & Online Giving

- **Mobile Responsive Giving**
  - 18% of all online donations are made through a mobile device

- **Interactive Giving**
  - Donors feel more connected when you create more specific asks

- **Convenient Giving**
  - The ability to give quickly on any device motivates donors to commit

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● Supporters can “Like” or “Follow” different organizations to easily stay connected to their social pages.

● Supporters can engage with content shared by “Liking” or “Sharing” which widens your reach to their network.

● Creates a curated “Newsfeed” that caters to their personal interests for more genuine engagement.
Popular Social Media Platforms

Facebook
- The #1 Social Network

Twitter
- “Micro-Blogging” Network

Instagram
- Photo Hosting and Sharing

YouTube
- Video Hosting and Sharing

Snapchat
- Live Photo and Video Sharing

Your social media strategy should focus on quality over quantity!
Facebook Basics

- The most popular and most effective social media platform
- Organizations have their own “Page” supporters can “Follow” and engage with
- Free to sign up and have a page, with the option for paid promotions
- Customizable with your organizations logo and photos
- Ability to schedule different posts in advance
- Supporters can help you expand your reach to their own network by liking, sharing, or commenting on the content you share
- Helpful analytics on the back end to track social engagement
Facebook Strategies

- Schedule Posts Regularly
  - Not every post should be an ask
- Share Visuals for Enhanced Engagement
  - Photos, videos, albums, live streams, etc.
- Consider Paid Promotional “Boosts”
  - Expand your reach through targeted posts
- Create a Facebook Event
  - Save the date for your Giving Day!
- Always include Calls to Action
Twitter Basics

- Organizations can set up a free account with their own "@Handle"
- Create 140 character "Tweets" with photos, videos, gifs, links, and more
- Supporters can follow you to see your Tweets in their newsfeed
- Organizations can also follow their supporters and other relevant groups
- Supporters can Retweet, Favorite, or reply to tweets to expand your reach
- Use #Hashtags to connect to trending topics globally
- Additional analytics to help your organization track engagement
- Paid promotional ads available to increase your following
Twitter Strategies

- Provide Regular Updates
  - Ramp them up on your Giving Day!
- Thank Your Supporters
- Connect with Prominent Voices
- Share Relevant Tweets
- Use Trending #Hashtags
- Create a Twitter Poll
- Use shortened link calls to action
Instagram Basics

- Popular platform specifically for photo and short video sharing
- Organizations can set up a “Business Page” for more robust profiles
- Photo editing tools and filters to enhance your content
- Ability to add up to 10 photos to a single post
- Supporters can follow your page and like your posts on their feed
- Posts can’t include links, but you can add one to your main profile
- Use #Hashtags to feature your organization in different conversations
- Create in Instagram, and share immediately to Facebook and Twitter
Instagram Strategies

- Share Personal Stories
  - Your Beneficiaries
  - Your Donors
  - Your Volunteers
  - Your Staff
- Highlight Events in Action
- Start a Countdown
- Host a “Take Over”
- Create A Challenge or Contest
YouTube Basics

- World’s most popular video sharing platform
- Create a free account “Channel” to host and share your own videos
- Customize your channel with your logo and information about your cause
- Upload your own videos of any size or format
- Utilize YouTube’s basic editing tools to add customizations to your video
- Videos are easily shared on other platforms, and can also be embedded on your website and Giving Day profile for quick viewing
YouTube Strategies

- Show Your Mission in Action
  - Volunteer Opportunities
  - Fundraising Events
  - Important Projects
- Share Testimonials
- Highlight Project Impact
- Create an Infographic Video
  - No filming required!
- Say Thank You
Snapchat Basics

- Create and share live photos and videos with your followers
- Use “Geo-Filters” to determine your location or create your own
- Share videos to your “Snapchat Story” that lasts for 24 hours
- Add text, drawings, emojis, and more to your “Snaps”
- Easily see who is watching and engaging with your content
- Share your Snapchat Code so supporters can easily follow you
- Create fun content for stronger engagement with your younger supporters
Snapchat Strategies

- Share Live Updates
  - Perfect for a 24-Hour event
- Give A Behind The Scenes Look or Show A Day in the Life
- Create a “Slide Show”
- Give Quick Interviews
- Take Fun Selfies With Supporters
Before The Giving Day

- Swap out your cover photos and profile photos with the Giving Day Graphics in your Nonprofit Toolkit
- Ramp up posts as you get closer to the Giving Day
- Share your Giving Day goals with your followers
- Include clear calls to action for your supporters (The link to your Giving Day Profile)
Key Takeaways

- Find the social approach that’s right for your organization
- Create regular content to share with supporters
- Add photos or videos for increased engagement
- Start sharing more frequently closer your Giving Day
- Include clear calls to action like your profile link
- Have fun and be creative!
Helpful Resources

- **Nonprofits.fb.com** - Facebook Resources for Nonprofits
- **YouTube.com/nonprofits** - YouTube Resources for Nonprofits
- **NPtechforgood.com** - Technology Resources for Nonprofits
- **Support.Twitter.com** - Understanding Twitter’s Features
- **Help.Instagram.com** - Understanding Instagram’s Features
- **Support.Snapchat.com** - Understanding Snapchat’s Features
- **GiveGab.com/Blog** - Best Practices and Creative Solutions for Nonprofits
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