# DONOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE DIGITAL AGE



SESSION 4E WEDNESDAY JUNE 27, 2018 10:30-11:45 PROVIDING YEAR-ROUND ENERGY ASSISTANCE, PROMOTING ENERGY INDEPENDENCE, AND ADVOCATING FOR AFFORDABLE ENERGY.

- 9 full-time staff
- We provide year-round residential energy assistance for all energy sources, including water utilities
- Grants up to \$500 for electric and gas utilities, all deliverable fuels and water utilities
  - We partner with 109 intake sites in the state
  - We reimburse intake sites for each approved application (\$25 for energy and water grants and \$10 for utility arrearage forgiveness program enrollment and or activity)
- Home system repair or replacement grants up to \$5,000 (furnaces and hot water systems)



## **MISSION – STRONG ORGANIZATION**

- Mission Statement
  - Easily articulate to the community and donors
  - Board and Staff are ambassadors of the mission and organization
  - Universal need in the message, the impact
- Governance
  - Board and Staff Leadership
  - Financial position
- Key Partnerships
  - Intake sites/Fuel Banks
  - Deliverable fuel vendors and utility companies
  - Religious community
  - Community Foundations
  - School partnerships/fundraisers

# **INVESTMENT**

- Experienced Staff
- Donor Database
- Cultivation and Stewardship
  - Touchpoints
- Know Your Donors
  - Define major gift
  - Leadership gift

# **ENGAGE DONOR**

- Communication
  - Finding the right balance, touchpoints through out the year
  - Media sponsor iHeartMedia
  - Social Media
- Visibility is Key
  - Name/Brand recognition and agency reputation
  - Say Yes to the Event
- Don't Forget Your Roots
  - Religious
  - Government

# **ANALYSIS**

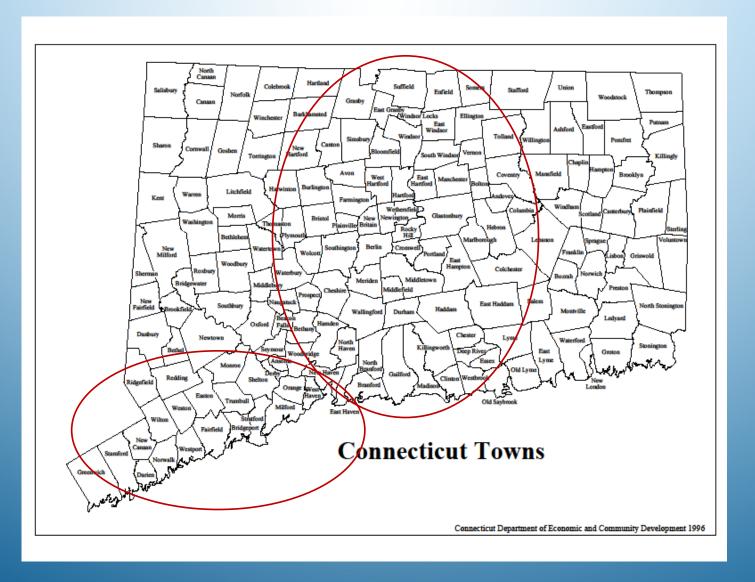
#### **Year End Review**

- Giving Level
- Board and Past Board Giving
- Amount by Month
- Amount by Appeal Code
- Gift vs Target
- Overview
  - Total Individual and Organization Donors
  - Average gift
  - New Donors
  - Renewal Donors (78%)

#### **ANALYSIS**

- Total donor records in our database = 7,596
  - Total active donor records = 7,055 (excludes inactive, no valid address, do not solicit, deceased)
  - Total donors with a leadership <u>target</u> of \$500 or more = 150
  - Total donors who gave a leadership gift of \$500 or more in FY17 = 134
  - We had 8 donors that give a gift of \$5,000 or more in FY17; the largest individual donor was \$15,000 (they went down from \$20,000 as they get closer to retirement; they will still support Op Fuel but unfortunately their gifts will be less)
  - We had 48 additional donors who gave a gift between \$1,000 and \$4,999
  - 36% of our donors give in the range of \$1-\$49
  - Newsletters which are a "soft ask" brought in \$56,165 last fiscal year (518 individual gifts)
- Total raised from all sources (individuals, faith community, energy industry, corporations, and foundations) = \$722,842
- Total amount raised from Add-A-Dollar = \$600,000

# **GEOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS**



### WHAT'S NEXT FOR OPERATION FUEL?

- ICE House 2019
  - Engage new donors, partners, sponsors
- Media and Marketing
  - Brand marketing, name change and/or update logo, tagline
  - Hire digital media consultant
- Television and Online Commercial Spots
  - Public Access Television Spots
  - iHeart Media Radio Spots

# THANK YOU! OPERATION FUEL, INC

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