

# CHAMPION

RAISE MORE MONEY

# FUNDRAISING

DO MORE GOOD

# GUIDE

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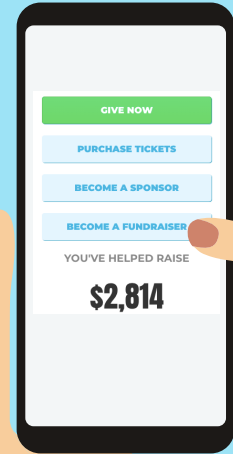
# SWELL FUNDRAISING

# GETTING STARTED

## Set up your Personal Fundraising Page

### Set Up Your Swell Fundraising Page

1. Register to attend the 'EVENT NAME' at: URL for 'Become a Fundraiser' button
2. Fill in the required information (name, email, etc.)
3. Receive an email with your personal fundraising link included
4. Start sharing with your network!



### Way to go, you are now a fundraiser for Pool Party (Ticketed Event)!

#### This is a pretty big deal.

Now you can start spreading the good news that is Nonprofit Name ! Be sure to check out and share your personal fundraising page and start telling your friends! (*Hey, even those who aren't your friends. We won't tell.*) Remember, peer to peer starts here. Just sharing your page can make a difference and multiply your impact.

<https://poolparty1.swell.gives/fundraisers/savannah.lee>

*P.S. Every time someone clicks on your page, you get social points! Now go on and #GetToTheTop!*

### TIP:

Jumpstart your campaign, be the first to donate so you will no longer have a \$0 by your name on the leaderboard! This will motivate others to give.

### Set a Personal Goal

1. Set up a goal for your fundraiser.  
We encourage each of our Champions to raise \$\$\$ (insert amount).
2. Don't limit yourself to your goal! Once you reach it, challenge yourself to raise even more.

# GETTING STARTED

## Personalize your Page

You can personalize your page by adding a profile picture. Click "update your page" in the blue box located in the top left corner. Swell will email you a one-time usage link to upload your photo.

The screenshot shows a fundraising page for Savannah Lee. The top left corner features a blue box with a large white letter 'S' and the name 'Savannah Lee'. Below the name is a small blue box with the text 'Are you Savannah? UPDATE YOUR PAGE'. A red arrow points to this box. To the right is a banner for a 'pool party' event on 'SUMMER 2020' from '6.20.20 | #poolparty | 11:00-4:00'. Below the banner are navigation links: 'JOIN US', 'ABOUT US', and 'POOL RULES'. On the right side of the navigation bar are icons for email, Twitter, and Facebook. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column contains four buttons: 'GIVE NOW' (green), 'PURCHASE TICKETS', 'BECOME A SPONSOR', and 'BECOME A FUNDRAISER'. Below these is a 'THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS' section featuring a Goldfish logo. The middle column is titled 'POOL PARTY (TICKETED EVENT)' and includes the date 'JUNE 20TH | 11:00 AM TO 4:00 PM' and location 'CLUB HOUSE POOL & VIRTUAL'. It also has an 'ABOUT' section with a description. The right column is titled 'FUNDRAISING IMPACT' and displays four metrics: 'Individually Raised \$175', 'Donors Referred 3', 'Social Score 2', and 'Event Fundraised \$2,989'. Below this is a 'SPECIAL THANKS TO SAVANNAH'S DONORS' section with three donor cards: Joey Tribbiani (\$100.00), Phoebe Buffay (\$50.00), and Chandler Bing (\$25.00).

### TIP:

You can check your individual fundraising total, number of donors, and who donated on your behalf!

# Fundraising Best Practices

## The Key to Peer-to-Peer Success

Leverage the power of your network to meet fundraising goals for the organization you're supporting. Your personal fundraising success depends on how often you are sharing your fundraising goals with your network. This could include friends, family, doctors, hair dresser, colleagues, and more.

### Leverage Social Media:

Use your social networks to raise awareness. Social media is great for making your network aware that you are participating in this fundraising campaign.

### Leverage Email:

This is the key to raising funds! Using email is more intimate. This shows the potential donor that you took the time to write a meaningful message and makes the ask more compelling.

### Leverage Phone Calls/Text Messaging:

Use this method with potential donors that do not actively check their email. You can send them your personal fundraising link in a text message.

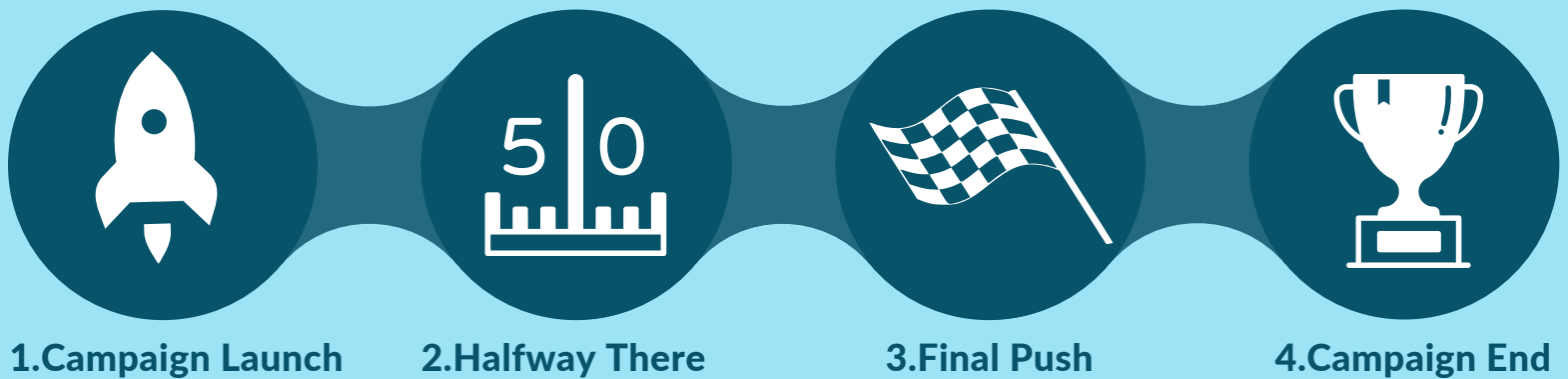
#### **TIP:**

**Personalize your asks.** Tell donors your story. Make them understand why this organization means so much to you.

# Communication

## How Often Should I Reach Out?

You should communicate with your network through the entirety of the campaign. It is best to contact a few people at a time to avoid feeling overwhelmed.



Keep the momentum going each week by emailing at least 5-10 people in your network to raise funds and 1-2 social posts to keep the campaign in front of everyone's eyes.

During the final push of your campaign, circling back to people who have not yet responded to your ask is always helpful. Sometimes people get busy and completely forget about your previous email.

Finally, it is always recommended to thank donors as you go. You can have fun with this by posting photos of your donors on social media or creating a shoutout video to thank them!

Click **HERE** to download a sample timeline to help you plan out your campaign!

# Ready, Set, Fundraise!

## Copy, Paste, Send!

Now that you've learned all the fundraising tips, tricks, and best practices, it's time to jump into it with confidence!

We've included sample communications for you to use throughout the campaign.

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## Before Campaign Launch

THE GOAL IS TO SHARE, SHARE, SHARE!

### WHEN TO SEND

**One week before the campaign begins.** The purpose of this announcement is to make your network aware that you are fundraising for this organization's campaign. You are spreading the word to everyone that you need their help reaching your fundraising goals. Their support will not only help you, but it will also help an important cause and organization that you care about.

### Sample Email:

Friends,

I have always had a strong connection to the \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT ORGANIZATION NAME), and now I have the opportunity to help them raise funds for their \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT CAMPAIGN NAME) online campaign!

(INSERT ORGANIZATION) is fundraising to \_\_\_\_\_ (insert what organization is funding for). Please join me in supporting this organization and their wonderful cause.

My personal fundraising goal is to raise <\$\$\$> by the end of the campaign and be number one on the fundraising leaderboard! Any size gift will help bring me closer to my goal and support an amazing organization. Click the link below to donate today!!

(INSERT PERSONAL FUNDRAISING LINK)

Thank you!

YOUR NAME

## Sample Social Posts:

### Facebook

Hey friends, I've signed up to help (TAG ORGANIZATION) raise funds to help them (INSERT why organization is fundraising). Can you help me make a lasting impact? Join me as I become a Champion for the (INSERT CAMPAIGN NAME)! Please share with your friends and family and donate today: (INSERT PERSONAL FUNDRAISING LINK)

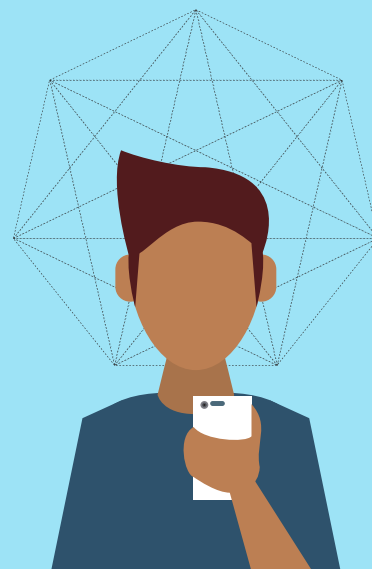
### Twitter

I have committed to raising \$\$\$ for \_\_\_\_\_(INSERT ORGANIZATION / CAMPAIGN NAME), and I could use your support! \_\_\_\_\_(INSERT PERSONAL FUNDRAISING LINK) #YOUREVENTHASHTAG

## Instagram

\*Post your fundraising profile picture\*

I am a fundraiser for (INSERT ORGANIZATION/CAMPAIGN NAME). We could use your help! This campaign will provide \_\_\_\_\_. #hashtag \*tag friends participating\* \*tag organization\*



## During Campaign

### WHEN TO SEND

Throughout the weeks of the active campaign. The purpose is to share that you are fundraising for this campaign and that you are working toward meeting your fundraising goals. This is when you share your story and explain the impact this organization has had on your life. The goal is to make your network understand why supporting this organization is so important. Send these emails to at least 5-10 people in your network 2-3 times a week.

### Sample Email:

Friends,  
(INSERT ORGANIZATION) has really captured my heart and imagination. (Insert sentence to tell your friend WHY this organization matters to you and what the funds raising will accomplish.)



On \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT LAUNCH DATE), we launched the \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT CAMPAIGN NAME) Campaign. It is a campaign that will ensure \_\_\_\_\_ (insert what you are fundraising for). Your support, through the link below, will benefit a wonderful organization and also move my name up the leaderboard. More importantly, we will celebrate the power of collective giving. We want the entire community to feel connected and everyone counts.

We are excited to see how big and influential our network might be! With your help at any level, we can make a difference. Join me today in support of the \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT ORGANIZATION NAME) Community!

(INSERT PERSONAL FUNDRAISING LINK)

Thank you!

YOUR NAME

## Sample Social Posts:

### Facebook

(INSERT ORGANIZATION) is fundraising to \_\_\_\_\_! We provide \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT SERVICE PROVIDED). Imagine you were without (LIST SERVICE OR ITEM AND WHY YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO GO WITHOUT IT. Ex Clean water, school books, food). You can make a difference. Support your community today by donating now! \*INSERT LINK\* \*tag friends in post\* \*tag organization\*

## Twitter

Can we all agree that (INSERT GROUP / AREA AFFECTED) needs \_\_\_\_\_? Then join us in supporting our \_\_\_\_\_ campaign!  
\_\_\_\_\_(INSERT LINK) #YOUREVENTHASHTAG

## Instagram

\*Post a meaningful picture that shows why the cause is important to you\*

I support (INSERT ORGANIZATION) because \_\_\_\_\_, and we could use your support! Please make a gift today. #hashtag \*tag friends participating\* \*tag organization\*

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# Final Push

### WHEN TO SEND

**Last week of the campaign.** The purpose is to inform your network that time is running out and they can help you reach your goals by donating and/or sharing your fundraiser with their network. These messages create a sense of urgency so your network knows they only have a little time left to help you reach your goals. This is also a great time to circle back to those who did not give after the first email correspondence.

## Sample Email:

Friends,

I am a supporter of (INSERT ORGANIZATION) and I am fundraising for a their campaign.

I take \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT SOMETHING THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES THAT YOU TAKE FOR GRANTED) for granted, don't you? Then I imagine \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT UNDESIRABLE RESULT FROM NOT HAVING THAT ITEM). I love this fundraiser because the funds directly support (INSERT WHAT FUNDS GO TOWARD). Will you join me in supporting this organization?

I have raised \$XXX and I am only \$XXX away from reaching my fundraising goal. I would be so thankful for your help in reaching that goal.

If you've already donated, consider one more gift: share this link [URL] with your family, friends, and social networks.

(INSERT PERSONAL FUNDRAISING LINK)

Thank you!

YOUR NAME

## Sample Social Posts:

### Facebook

I've already raised \$XXX to help (TAG ORGANIZATION) reach its fundraising goals! There's only one week left and I need your help. Share/donate now! \*INSERT LINK\* \*tag friends in post\* \*tag organization\*

## Twitter

I'm almost to my goal, help a girl / guy out in order to \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT WHAT YOUR FUNDRAISING GOAL HELPS). \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT PERSONAL FUNDRAISING LINK)



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# End of Campaign

## WHEN TO SEND

**When the campaign ends.** The purpose of this is to thank all of your donors for supporting you and this organization. This is also a great way to share the impact of their support.

## Sample Email:

Friends,

With your help and support, I raised \$XXX for the \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT CAMPAIGN NAME)! I can't thank you enough. This will allow \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT ORGANIZATION NAME) to continue providing \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT WHAT ORGANIZATION PROVIDES). I hope you feel good about your contribution because I appreciate it!

I hope we can continue to help organizations like \_\_\_\_\_ (INSERT ORGANIZATION NAME) reach their fundraising goals. World change happens one person at a time, and I'm happy we were able to make a difference together.

Until next time!

YOUR NAME

## Sample Social Posts:

### Facebook/Twitter

Thank you (INSERT/TAG NAMES OF FRIENDS WHO DONATE THROUGH YOU) for supporting me in our fundraising effort. You are some of my favorite Champions!

### Instagram

\*Post a photo of you holding a sign that says thank you\*

Thank you (INSERT NAMES OF FRIENDS WHO DONATE THROUGH YOU) for supporting me in our fundraising effort. You have helped me raise over \$\$\$! #hashtag \*tag friends who donated through you\*



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# THANK YOU FOR BEING A FUNDRAISER!

Thank you so much for taking the time to fundraise for the (INSERT ORGANIZATION NAME/CAMPAIGN NAME)! Every gift moves us closer to fulfilling our goals. We appreciate your hard work! If you need additional support, please contact:

**NAME**

**email address**

**phone number**