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Spicing Up Your Corporate Volunteer Engagement an evolutionary case study

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The Children's Center - Greater Detroit

Empowering children and families to shape their own futures

- Serving more than 7,500 children and families annually
- Therapeutic treatment for child abuse, neglect and trauma
- Mental and behavioral health services
- Foster Care, adoption, independent living
- Head Start early childhood education
- 300+ employees

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- \$27M Operating budget
- Engage 1300+ volunteers annually
- www.thechildrenscenter.com



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A Collaborative Partnership Since 2013



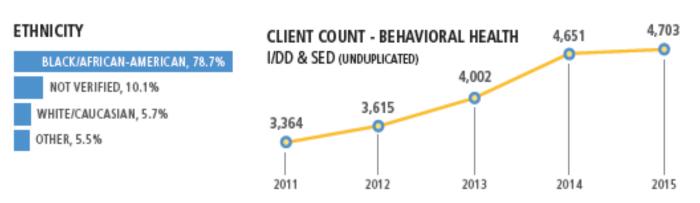
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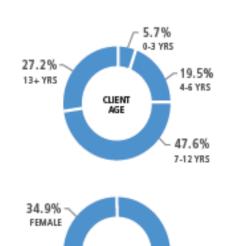




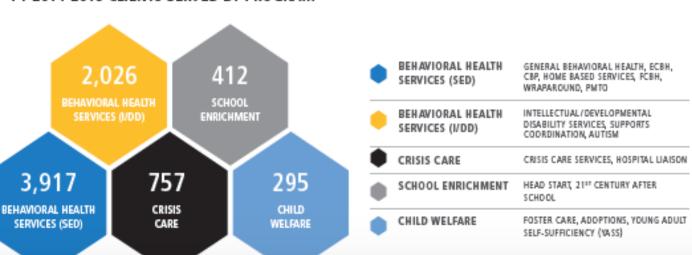
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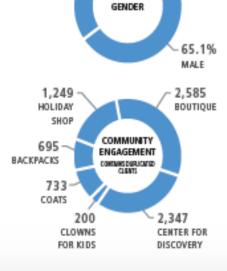
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVED FY 2014-15



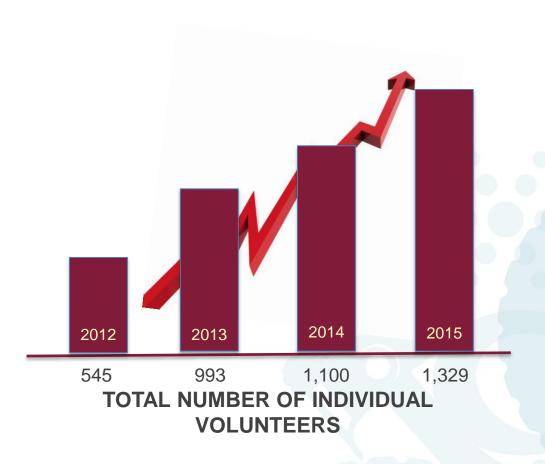


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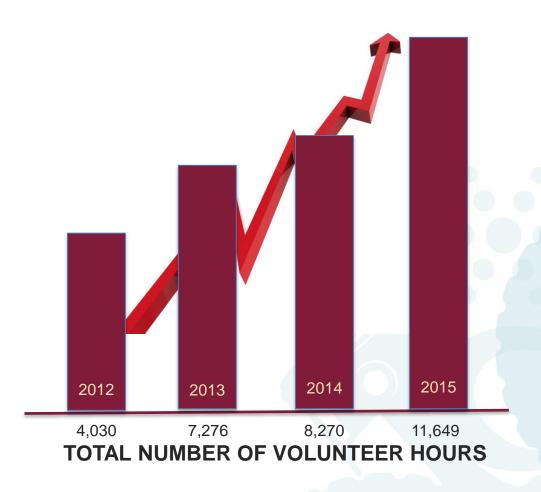




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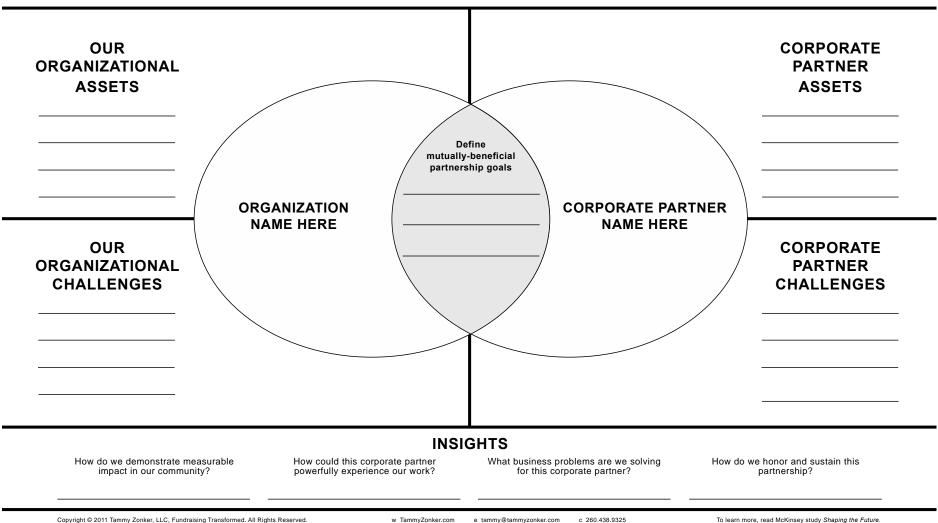
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Evaluating Compatibility with Corporate Partners

- 1. What mutual benefit can be created through this partnership?
- 2. What business problems are we solving for this corporate partner?
- 3. How could this corporate partner powerfully experience our work?
- 4. How do we demonstrate measurable impact in our community?
- 5. How do we honor and sustain this corporate partnership?



CREATING TRANSFORMATIONAL CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP



The Children's Center & FCA US Compatibility

TCC Strengths

- Serving children and families since 1929
- Well respected locally and nationally
- Strong Board leadership
- Robust volunteer opportunities
- Episodic (1-day) or long-term options
- Cute kids!

TCC Challenges

- Limited resources to manage volunteers
- No online volunteer management system (at present)
- Sensitivity and confidentiality issues related to consumer population
- State of MI now requires <u>annual</u> background checks and clearances

FCA US Strengths

- US Headquarters in Auburn Hills, MI
- · Large, highly-skilled workforce
- Culture of leadership and innovation
- Dedicated Civic Relations & Community Engagement Manager
- FCA US Foundation
- CSR alignment

FCA US Challenges

- HQ commute to Midtown Detroit 30 miles
- Hundreds of workgroups | units to organize for volunteerism
- Workforce has limited time
- FCA US receives many community support requests, and has limited resources



Plan Your Annual Engagement Cycle

- Develop a model for repeat activities
- Monthly, quarterly, annual activities
- Pay to play ask for resources to support the volunteer activity
- Schedule volunteer pre-event and post-event follow-up
- Develop a standard photo release
- Provide post-event stewardship reporting for your top corporate partners:
 - Include photos
 - Accomplishments
 - Outcomes | Impact
 - · BOY "Because of you"

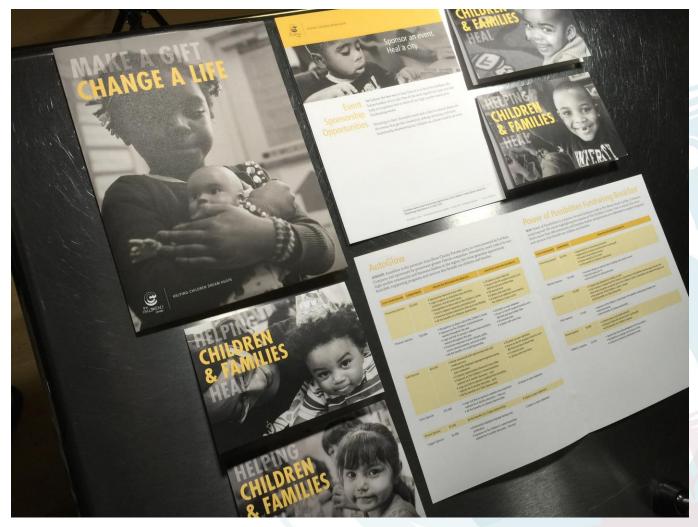


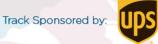
Create an Annual Calendar of Volunteer Opportunities

- Identify monthly, quarterly and annual programmatic activities that could benefit from volunteer support
- Consider supplementing program work with enrichment activities to increase consumer affinity and program compliance
- Identify high-skill volunteer needs by reviewing operational budgets:
 - Video production
 - Photography
 - Graphics design
 - Social media support
 - Campus operations
 - Campus beautification
 - Employee wellness
 - Committee and Board Leadership



Create an Annual Corporate Engagement Menu





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What to Include in Your Annual Corporate Engagement Menu

- Individual volunteer options
- Employee group volunteer options
- Event sponsorship opportunities
- Programmatic funding needs
- Donation drives
- Commitment form
- Present your annual menu inperson 6 to 9 months before their corporate fiscal year begins



Leverage Skills of Corporate Volunteers & Maximize Resources

Matching Gifts

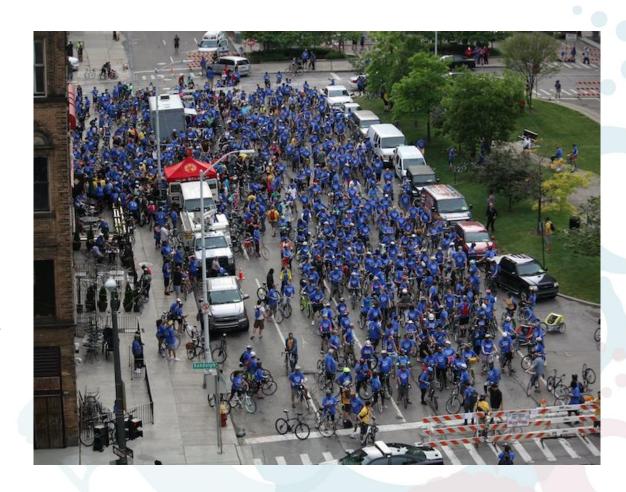
Do your homework

Grants & Mini-Grants

Build out engagement to meet criteria

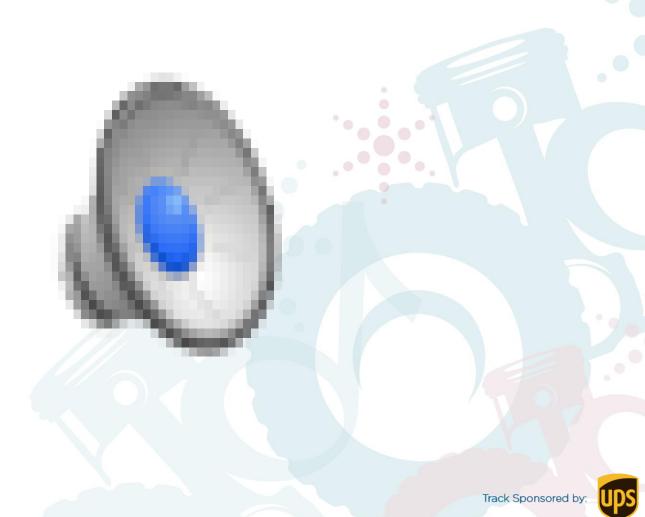
Co-branding

- Press releases, flyers, newsletters, social media
- Events "Slow Roll" for Foster Care Awareness

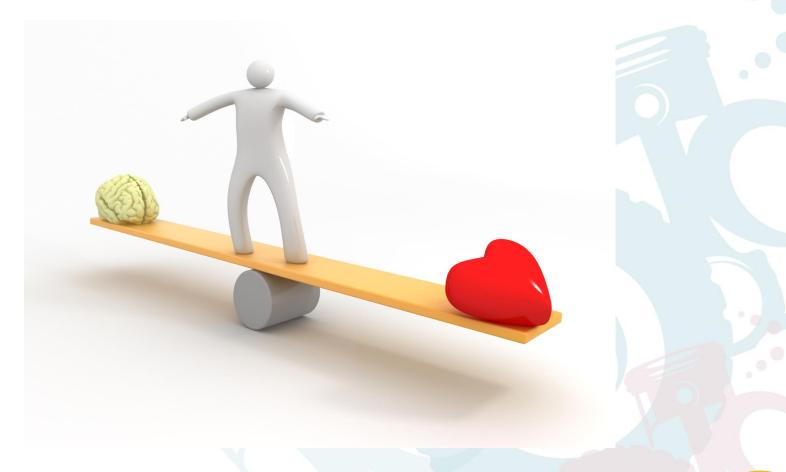




Capturing the Hearts & Minds of Corporate Partner Employees



How to Identify Employee Motivators



Two Types of Employee Motivators:

Extrinsic

Prestige Political Positioning Money | Promotion Points | Gold Star Prizes Punishment | Discipline Quid Pro Quo

Intrinsic

Passion Purpose Money Belonging Learning Love Making a difference



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Understanding a volunteer's motivation will help you create a more rewarding volunteer experience

Extrinsic

- Politically focused
- Career building
- Strengthening internal relationships
- Access to leadership through volunteerism
- Building leadership skills
- Expanding circle of influence

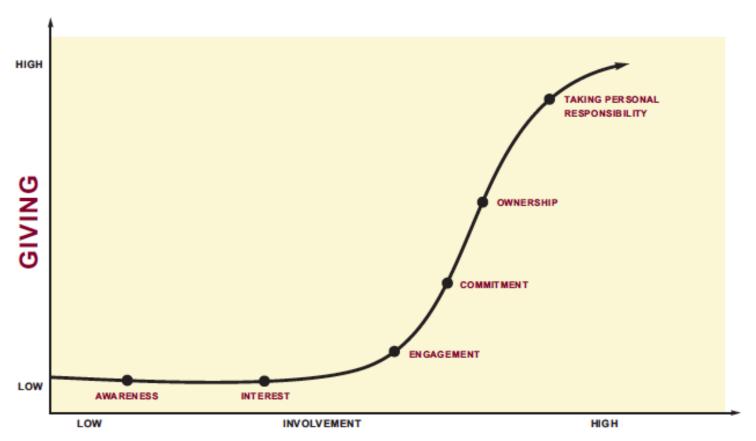
Intrinsic

- Purpose focused
- Passion
- Externally focused
- Making a difference for others
- Mentor others (internally and externally)
- Inspired
- **Giving Back**



Identifying Volunteer Evolutionary Stages

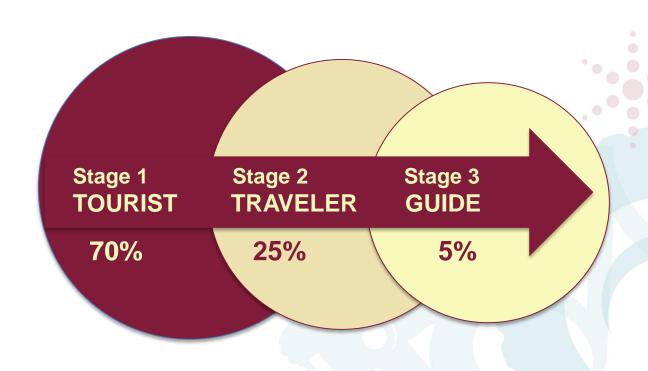
THE TARNSIDE CURVE OF INVOLEMENT Developed by Patrick Boggen, Tarnside Consulting, UK





Understanding the Three Volunteer Evolutionary Stages

via Chris Jarvis, Co-Founder & President Realized Worth | www.realizedworth.com



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Characteristics & Success Factors for Tourists

- Searching, Curious, Inquisitive, Uncommitted
- Can feel unsure, awkward and out-of-place volunteering
- They ask lots of "what" questions
- Welcome and normalize their questions

STAGE 1 **TOURIST** 70%

- Need a point-person, clear instruction, frequent check-ins during volunteerism
- Most successful with basic, experiential volunteer tasks
- Connect their task to mission impact
- Need to feel a sense of accomplishment
- Don't pressure them for next engagement
- Thank you follow up post-volunteerism



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New Volunteer Inquiries:

Answer the questions on every Tourist's mind:

- 1. What does your organization do?
- 2. Why are you THE organization to lead this effort?
- 3. Why is this issue important now?
- 4. What (measurable) difference does your organization make?
- 5. What would I be doing (if I volunteer with you)?

How can you answer these questions with both data & stories?



Common Tourist Phrases & Questions



COMMON QUESTIONS:

- What do you do?
- How many people do you serve?
- How do people get referred to you?
- How big is the need for your organization?
- What would happen if you weren't here?

COMMON PHRASES:

- As far as I can tell....
- Seems like.....
- They said.....
- I was told
- I'm not sure, but.....



FCA US Back Pack & School Supply Drive





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Birthday Party Hosted by FCA US







- Meaningful discovery, emerging leadership
- Self-motivated, increased sense of belonging
- Seeks growing responsibility for mission
- Increasing feeling of emotional connectedness
- They ask lots of "why" questions.

STAGE 2 **TRAVELER** 25%

- Empower them to lead:
 - Registration
 - Training & organizing others
 - **Team Captain**
 - **Project Lead**
- Listen to them:
 - Invite feedback
 - **Process Improvement**
- Answer their questions:
 - Remain open and positive



Common Traveler Phrases & Questions



COMMON QUESTIONS:

- Why do you do it that way?
- Do you think it would work better if.....?
- What's <u>your</u> greatest need?
- Can we think outside the box for a minute?
- What would happen if...?

COMMON PHRASES:

- It might be better if you....
- It's impressive that.....
- I suggest you consider.....
- What do you think about.....
- I've been reading about
- Why don't you.....

TRAVELER

STAGE 2

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FCA US Board Game Drive





FCA US Board Game Night







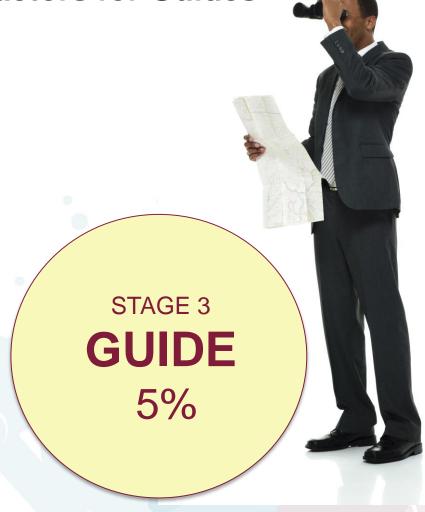


Head Start Academy – FCA "Read with Me" Day



Characteristics & Success Factors for Guides

- Mission alignment
- Advocates for your cause
- Organizational ownership
- Introduces friends & strangers to your organization
- Intrinsic interests
- Leads groups, activities and events with great autonomy
- Uses "we" language
- Loyalty & longevity
- Seeks highest levels of leadership available:
 - **Board Service**
 - Committee Chair
 - Volunteers & Contributes
 - Expands corporate volunteer footprint





Common Guide Phrases & Questions

COMMON QUESTIONS:

- What's <u>our</u> greatest need?
- How do we get XYZ company involved?
- Would you come speak to my club?
- How does someone get on a committee?

COMMON PHRASES:

- It would be great if we....
- I'm committed to......
- In my experience......
- As you may already know.....
- My dream for our organization is





Power of Possibilities Fundraising Breakfast Table Captains





FCA US Daphne Harris Joins TCC Board







FCA US Awarded Lisa V. Ford Corporate Partner of the Year 2016





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BONUS Materials & Suggestions

- Team Building Exercises
- Handwritten Thank You Notes
- Volunteer Success Checklist via Email
- Plan the Work Work the Plan
- Gratitude Attitude!



QUESTIONS?



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