

## **BOARD MEETINGS**AUGUST, 2015

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **FRIDAY**

Board Role in Development

Current Landscape for Raising Funds and Recent Trends

Strengthening Case for Supporting SAR

Defining our Audiences and How We Engage Them

Assessing SAR's Competition for the Philanthropic Dollar

Strategies for Building Membership, Annual Giving, and Special Gifts

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **SATURDAY**

Clarifying Roles in Development: The Board Role and the Staff Role

Some Thoughts on the Art of Asking

Our Roles in Cultivation and Stewardship

**Action Items** 

#### **OUTCOMES**

Board engagement in <u>strengthening the case for support</u>

Understand Roles and Responsibilities

Define specific <u>Actions or Steps</u> to be more successful in raising funds for SAR?

Other?

# BOARD'S ROLE IN

#### Please close your eyes.

#### JERRY'S INSIGHTS INTO BOARDS

- Getting 100% to participate in soliciting funds rarely happens!
- BUT those who don't like "asking" CAN engage in donor development
- Board members become stronger in development when given opportunities to do things they feel confident about

## I WISH I'D SAID THAT!!! "Your Board is your destiny."\*

Whatever is past, is past.

Whatever SAR's journey has been is merely preamble.

Your Board is the precursor to where SAR will end up ... presently and in the future.

#### THE BEGINNING

Write down two reasons you're involved with SAR.

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This is the first step in becoming a better fundraiser for SAR – knowing why SAR matters to you!

#### THE KEY ROLES OF THE BOARD

**MISSION** 

**LEADERSHIP** 

**RESOURCES** 

#### **VALUE OF THE BOARD**

Legitimizes the cause

Increases the stature of the organization

Provides knowledge beyond staff resources

#### **VALUE OF THE BOARD**

Makes meaningful gifts to serve as example

Extends the philanthropic reach

Demonstrates selflessness

Bridge between organization and community

#### **BOARD DUTIES IN FUNDRAISING**

Among top 3 personal philanthropic priorities

Identify and evaluate prospects

Cultivate and solicit gifts

Host fundraising or stewardship events

#### **BOARD DUTIES IN FUNDRAISING**

Support fundraising programs and events

Offer personal acknowledgments

Provide leadership and actively advocate

Ensure funds are used as designated

SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING REQUIRES...

**Vision and Mission** 

**Strategic Planning** 

**Case for Support** 

### SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING REQUIRES ... Leadership (Board and CEO)

- Understanding and implementing principles of effective development
- Participation
- Oversight

Development Staff
Strategy/Development Plan

### UNDERSTANDING YOUR OPPORTUNITIES YET ANOTHER "AAA!"

**Ambassador** 

Advocate

**Asker** 

#### **UNDERSTANDING YOUR OPPORTUNITIES**

Ambassadors – build relationships

Advocates - make the case - "Sell"

Askers – solicitors & closers

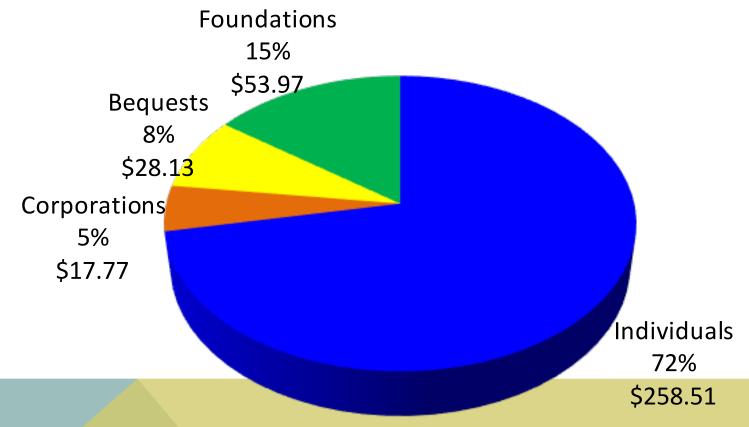
#### **DISCUSSION**

What do each of these need in their "tool kits" in order to be successful for SAR?

# LANDS FOR SARA LANDS FOR SARA

### 2014 CONTRIBUTIONS: \$358.38 BILLION BY SOURCE

(IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS – ALL FIGURES ARE ROUNDED)

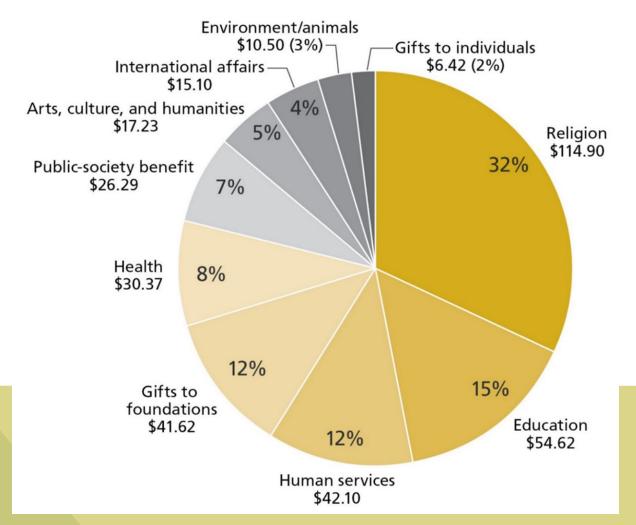




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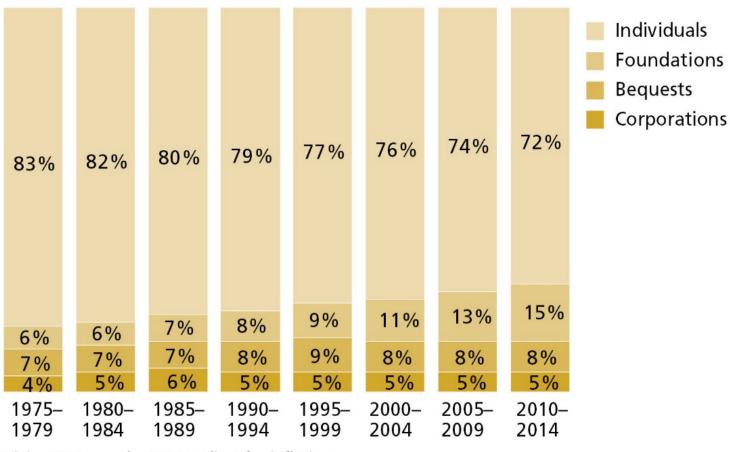
#### \$358.38 BILLION BY TYPE OF RECIPIENT

**ORGANIZATION** (IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS – ALL FIGURES ARE ROUNDED)



### GIVING BY SOURCE: % OF THE TOTAL IN FIVE-YEAR SPANS, 1975-2014

(IN INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS, 2014 = \$100)



Giving USA uses the CPI to adjust for inflation.

#### PHILANTHROPY TODAY

- Wealth is more concentrated
- 50 wealthiest donors gave more than \$10 billion
- ½ of giving comes from top 3%

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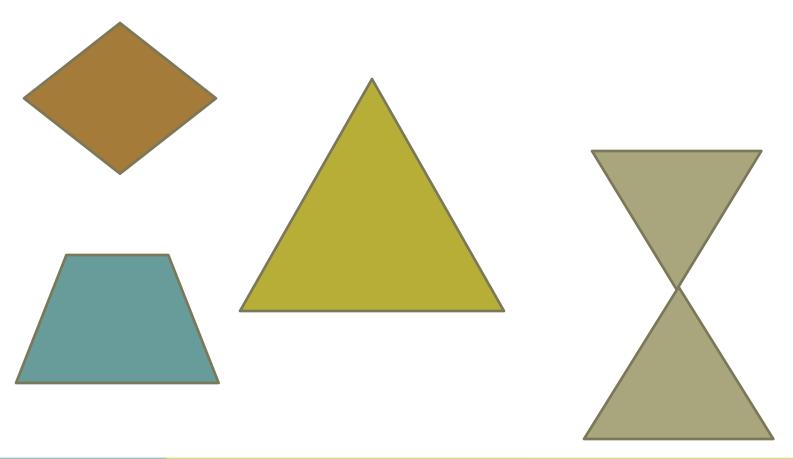
- Middle class gives larger % of their own wealth
- Boomers will soon control 70% of wealth and less generous than parents
- Women give more (by 89%) after age 50

#### PHILANTHROPY TODAY

- Giving is becoming more racially and ethnically diverse
- Millennials demand more proof of effectiveness
- Outcome-oriented Philanthropy

TRENDS IN RAISING FUNDS FOR NONPROFITS FUNDRAISING 101

#### 1. The "geometry" in raising funds is changing...



RECENT TRENDS IN FUNDRAISING

- 2. You must have a credible/sustainable business plan
- 3. You must be able to document
  - your success
  - your vision for your future
  - real needs

"Major donors give to organizations that have needs ... not needy organizations ..."

4. The pitch for endowment needs greater clarity...

5. What you raised in your last campaign is NOT the minimum goal for the next campaign

6. Pledging has changed for some donors

7. Competition, competition, competition...

8. Staff turnover rates are increasing

9. Patience is not just a virtue; it is an absolute necessity

- 10. Donors tightening the focus of their philanthropy
- 11. Technology plays increasing role in enabling donors to give primarily lower level and entry level donors
- 12. Printed material going virtual.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

Which of these trends do you sense is a strong challenge or opportunity for SAR in its fundraising?

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The philanthropic process is more about relationships than simply money.

#### **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION**

# What are the various constituent groups related to SAR?

#### **OUR CONSTITUENTS BY THE NUMBERS**

**Alumni** 1,719 **Board Members** 24 Former Bd. Members 95 **Individuals** 1,735 **Friends** 1,087 **Corporations 76 Foundations** 118

# STRENGTHENING SARTS CASE FOR SUPPORT

#### **DISCUSSION**

- 1. What would be different in the world today if SAR ceased to exist?
- 2. What would be different in Santa Fe today if SAR ceased to exist?
- 3. Given those reasons, why should someone contribute philanthropically to support SAR?

# TAKEANAYS & ASSIGNMENTS ACTIONS & ASSIGNMENTS

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