



Level Up | New Donor Acquisition

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Meet Your New NextAfter Trainer



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What to expect from today's session

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Learn how to write the **outline** of your **first content offer** for new donor acquisition

Create your first content offer

Action Item

Complete your first content offer for new donor acquisition

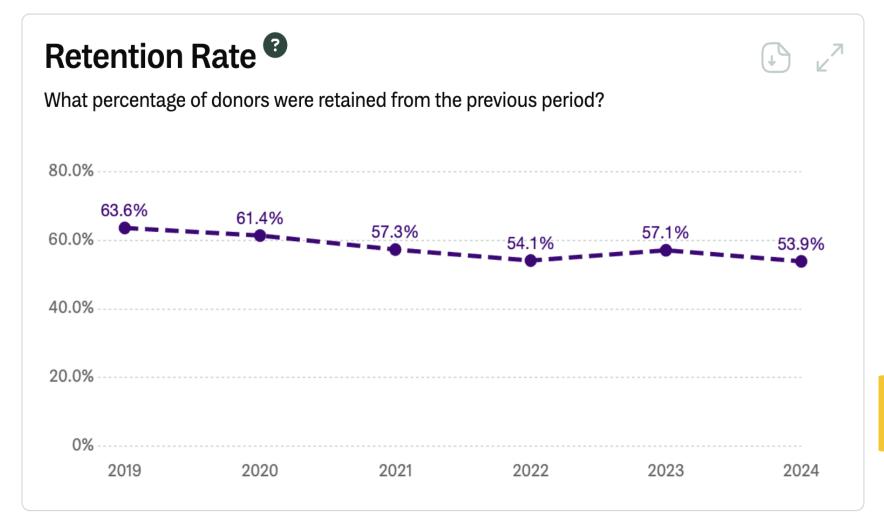




Why do we need more acquisition?







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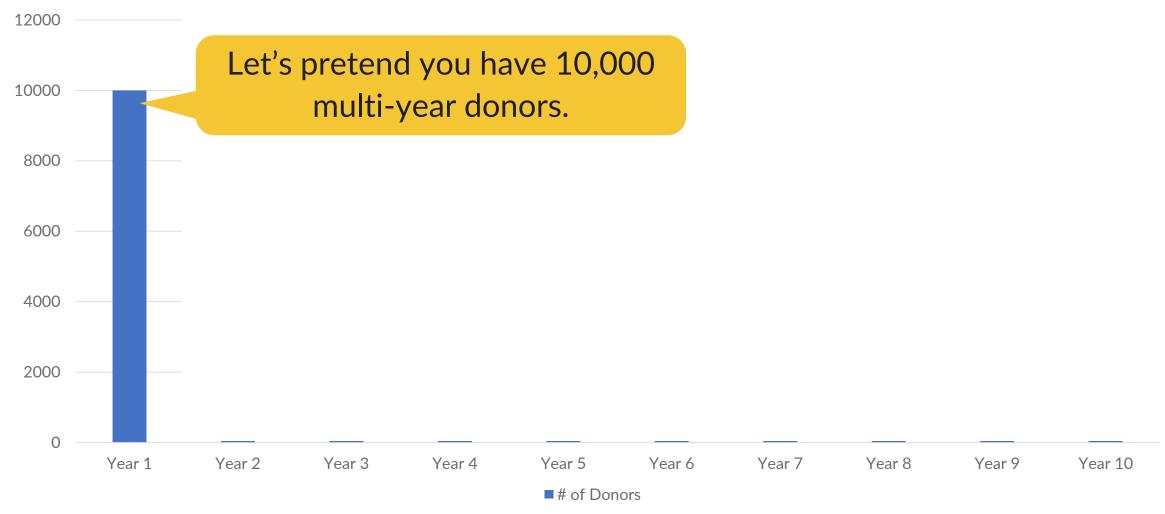




Nonprofits Will Lose at Least 46% of Their Donors Every Year

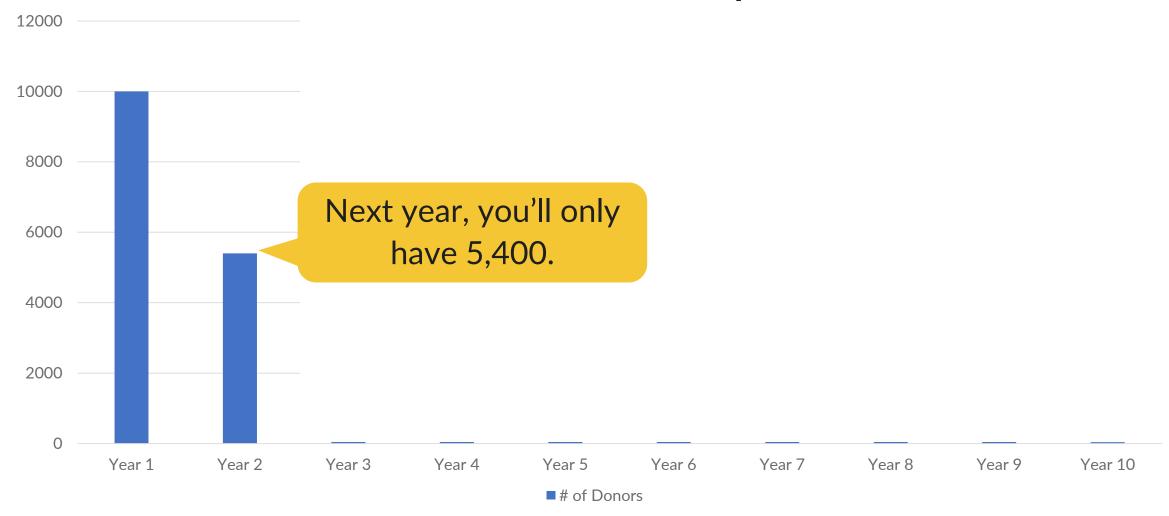












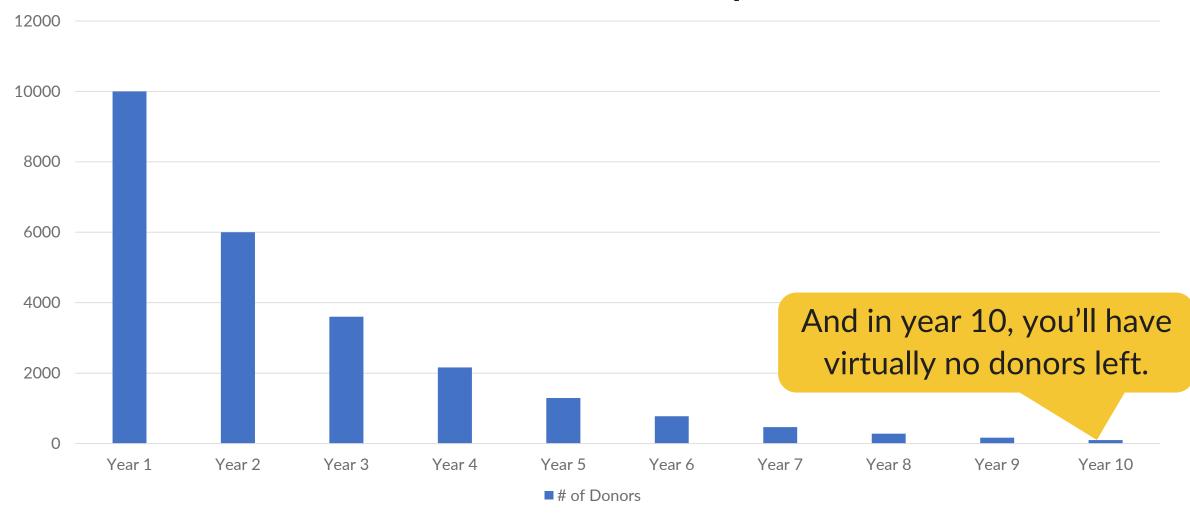
















We need a proven strategy for acquiring donors...





And it starts with "Free"





The Power of Free





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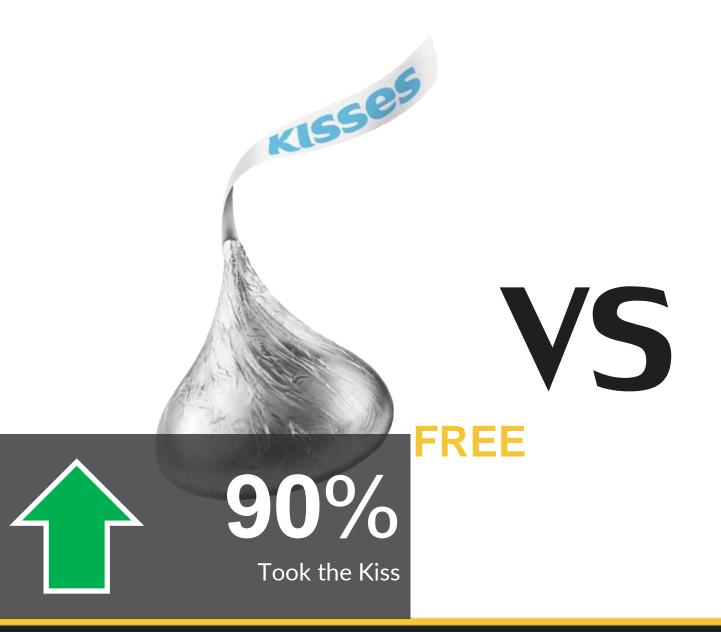
No difference In Consumption















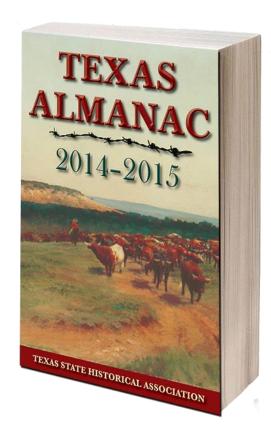
People want free stuff.

Ok...but how does that lead to donations?











Get the Texas Almanac on CD for \$19.95!

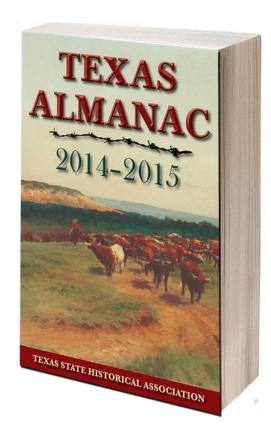
15 Units Sold | \$299.95 in revenue





What if you gave it away for free?

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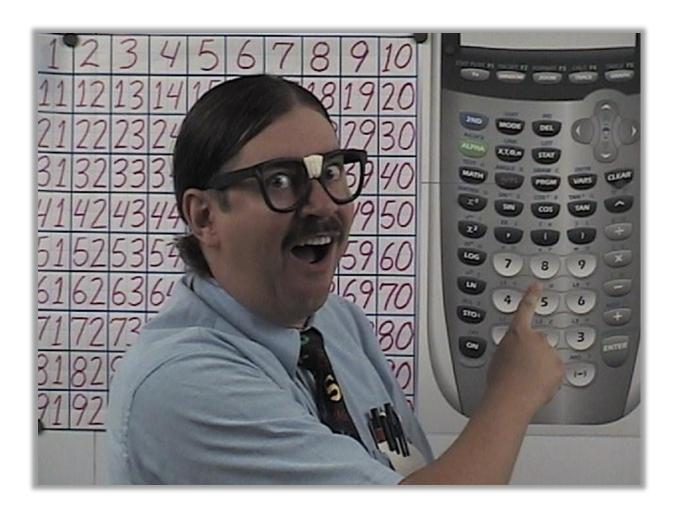




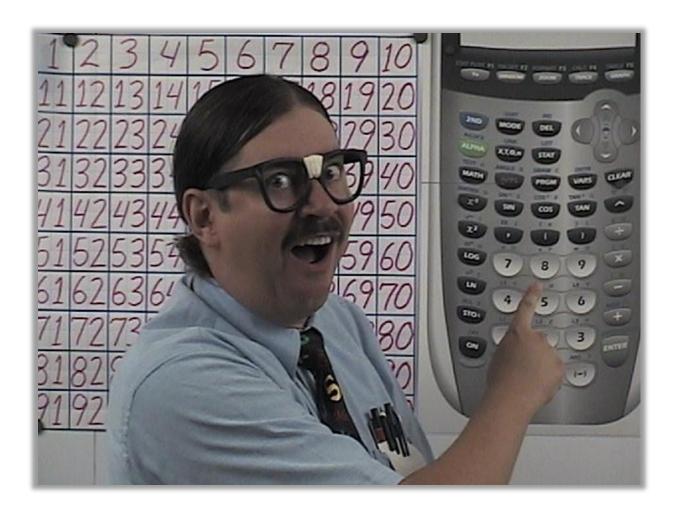
Get the Texas Almanac for free as a PDF!!!

- 61k visitors
- 16.8k emails acquired
- 258 new members
- \$53 avg. gift size
- \$13k in member revenue



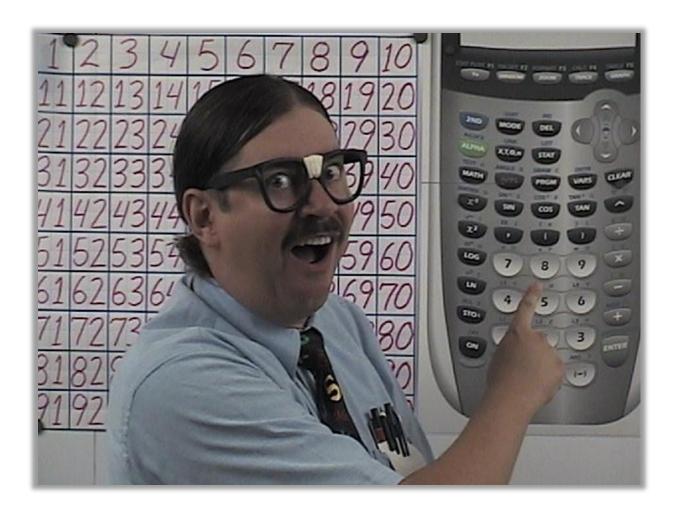






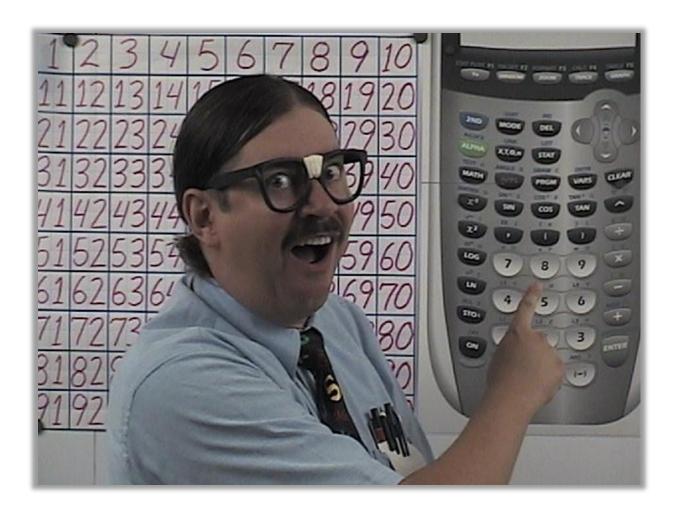
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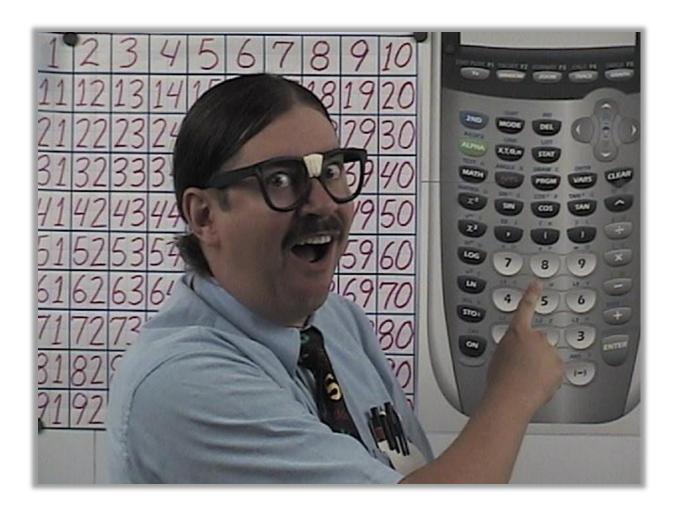
\$13k >





\$13k > \$299



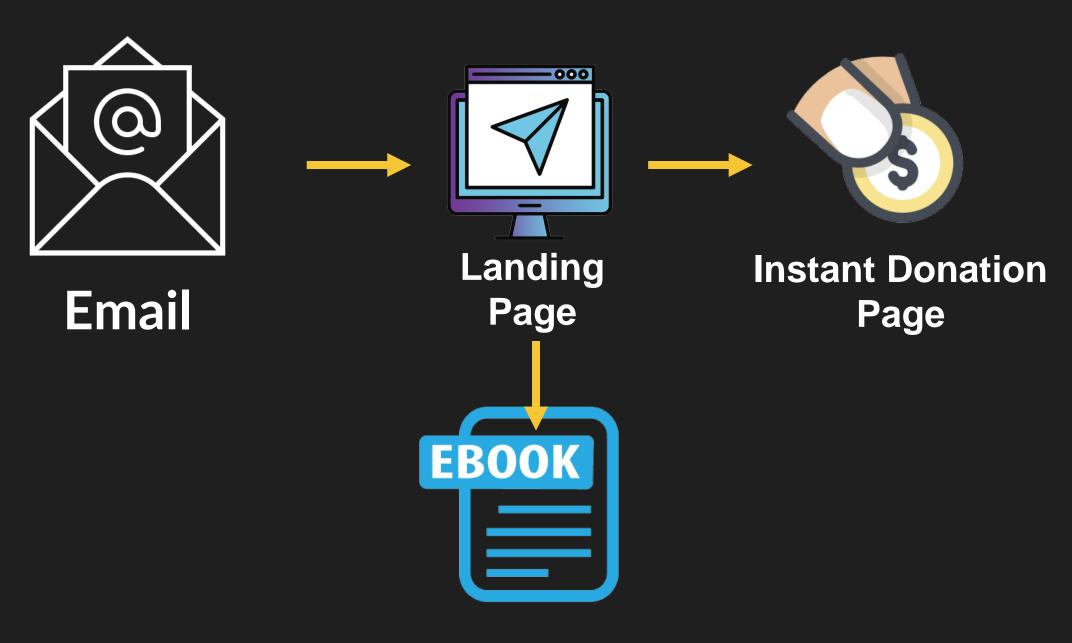


Free > Paid



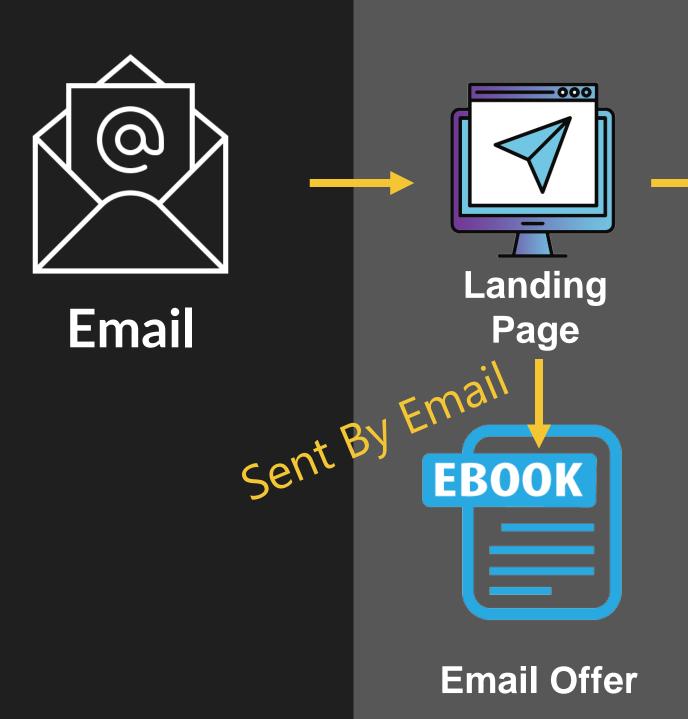
The Free » Donor Model Content





Email Offer

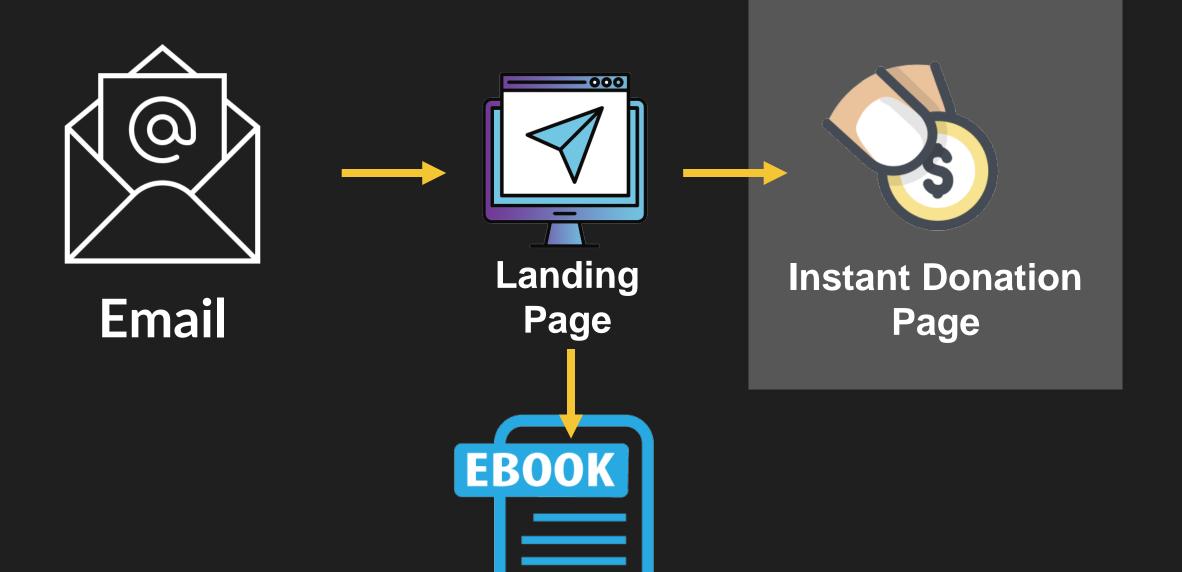






Instant Donation
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Email Offer



8 NEW DONOR WELCOME SERIES EMAILS YOU COULD SEND

The Thank You Email

The Welcome Email

The Content Offer Email

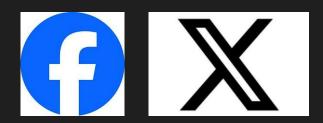
The Survey Email

The Impact/Story
Email

The Monthly Ask Email

The Reply Back Email The Transition Email





Organic or Paid







Email Offer

Content Offer:

Something of value you get in exchange for an email address.



3 Things Homeless people wish you knew



eBooks

Get content they're interested in.

Five things every parent should do before flu season

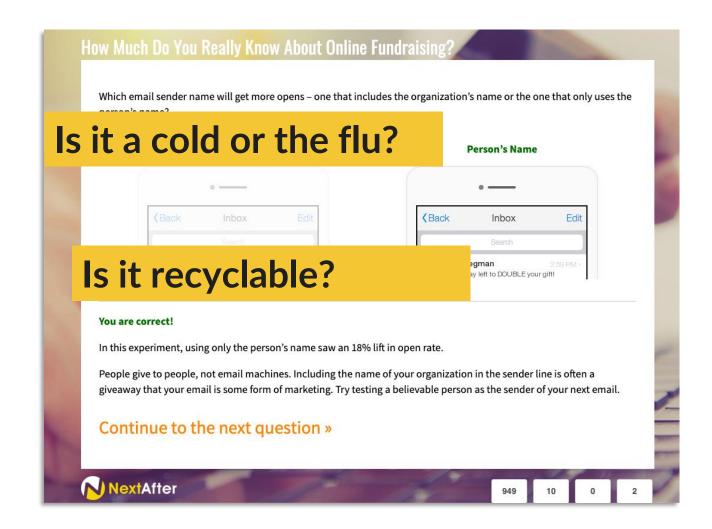
40 Parish Approved Recipes for Lent





Quizzes

Test *they're* knowledge on interesting content.





Petitions

Give voice to a cause *they* believe in.

Stop the burning of the Amazon rainforest!



Gabriel Santos started this petition to Governo Federal and 1 other

My name is Gabriel, I am a lawyer and I live in Rio Branco, in the heart of the Amazon. I am here because we need to ask all levels of Government in Brazil to mobilise and help us put an end to the burning of the Amazon rainforest!

We are asking the authorities to set up an inquiry to investigate what is leading to the increase in fires in this region and **hold the**

4,852,487 have signed. Let's get to 6,000,000!

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Victoria Wen signed 21 minutes ago



Melany Corona signed 29 minutes ago

First name

Last name

Emai

Lewisville, 75067 United States

✓ Display my name and comment on this petition

By signing, you accept Change.org's <u>Terms of Service</u> and <u>Privacy Policy</u>, and agree to receive occasional emails about campaigns on Change.org. You can unsubscribe at any time.



Surveys

Give input on a topic *they* care about.

Friends of Belmont Abbey College Survey

ur input on the survey below will be used to help inform our decisions as we plat the future.
ase take a moment to complete your survey now.
lew important is it that we glorify God by living a life of virtue?
Extremely important
Somewhat Important
Not very Important
Not important at all
tow important is it to you to know that a monastic community of your brothers in Christ are praying for easily?
Extremely reportant
Somewhat important
Not very important
Not important at all
to you believe that our culture has largely harned its back on forgiveness and the offer of redemption tase we disagree with due to a look of old discourse?
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No.
Which of the following recourses have you requested from Belmont Abbey College?
Abiding in His Providence: Monthly Reflections 2021
Five Reflections from the Life and Miracine of Saint Benedict
Many Help of Christians Noveme
Meditalizes on the Stations of the Cross
Novers to the Intraculate Heart of Mary
Saint Benedict and You! Course
The Bennifolive Hallmarks
The History and Misering of the Jubileo Medal of Saint Benedict The Sorghunal Stations of the Cross
The Seven Surrous and Seven Jugs of Saint Joseph Devotional
Truth and Knowledge Course
Which of the following resources would you like Beimont Abbey College to create for you?
Resources about the Catholic Seasons such as Advent and Lant
Course feeturing Cardinal Newmon Resources about Sent Sensition
edinok about the Catholic influence on America's Founding
Resources about other Saints such as Saint Scholadico
Recording of the Balmont Albbey Vespers
Novenes about Hope and Healing
Resources about Catholic and Benedictine Principles
Course feeturing Thomas Againes
effects about Ciris Virtue and the Public Square
Pre-Life Resources
Resources about Natural Law vs. Political Correctness
Epithus' resources attent arrively and disable
I've there any other topics that you would like resources created for that are not in the list above? A, please tell us in the field below:
s there anything else that you feel that we should know as we plan our efforts for the next year?
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Offers need to be for THEM.



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Big Way →

Gift from Patrick Kennedy 🗲

Medical and School Challenges +

Tantrums offer

ont from Patrick Kennedy

Medical and School Challenges

Sign up for our Newsletter

Choose the content you'd like to receive. We're here to help you keep in touch with Boys Town and keep in sync with your family.

SIGN UP NOW



Handle Tantrums At Any Age

From from the "bedtime crier" to the "sore loser", tantrums are an inevitable part of raising kids and they can happen at EVERY age.

Teaching your child a healthy way to respond when they are angry or don't get their way will set them up for success for years to come.

GET THE FREE EBOOK NOW »







For the offer to be accepted and valued, it must be RELEVANT to your donor's interests.





Question...

What <u>insider knowledge</u> does your organization have that would be value to your donors?

For the offer to be accepted and valued, it must be RELEVANT to your donor's interests.

For the offer to effectively serve your organization, it must be RELEVANT to your cause.





The offer is not:

- X your organizational value proposition.
- **X** a request to help you.
- ★ free concert tickets or something unrelated to your cause. (THIS VIOLATES THE TERMS OF COLORADO GIVES CAMPAIGNS)



What you PUT INTO

an offer has an effect on what you

GET BACK

from it.



Time Investment VS Conversion Rate

Offer	Donor Time Investment	Cost Per Email	Instant Conversion Rate
Petition	10 seconds	\$1.36	0.9%
Survey	2-5 minutes	\$2.87	2.5%
eBook	10-20 minutes	\$3.55	2.8%
Online Course	4-8 weeks	\$10.51	6.4%



You already have the content you need.



Blogs?

Videos?

Podcasts?

Stories of Impact?

News or Articles?





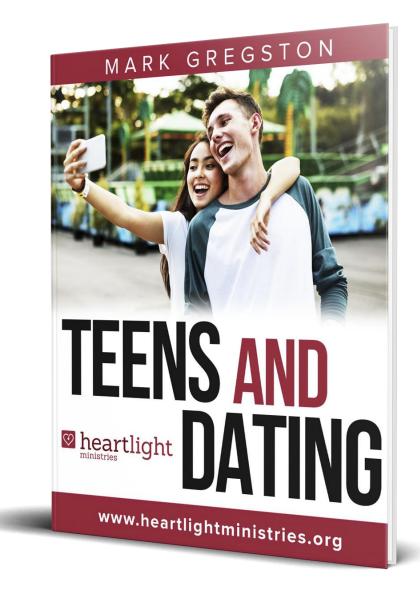
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Transcribing audio?



Rev.com

Book cover design?



Canva.com

Literally anything else...



fiverr.com

Pro Tip:

Browse your website / Dropbox / GoogleDrive / File Server and note all the content you could use as raw materials for an eBook.

Videos • Blogs • Articles • Stories • Curriculum • Resources for people you serve • Podcasts • Broadcasts • Social Media Videos • Annual Report Stories • News • Products • Speakers & Events

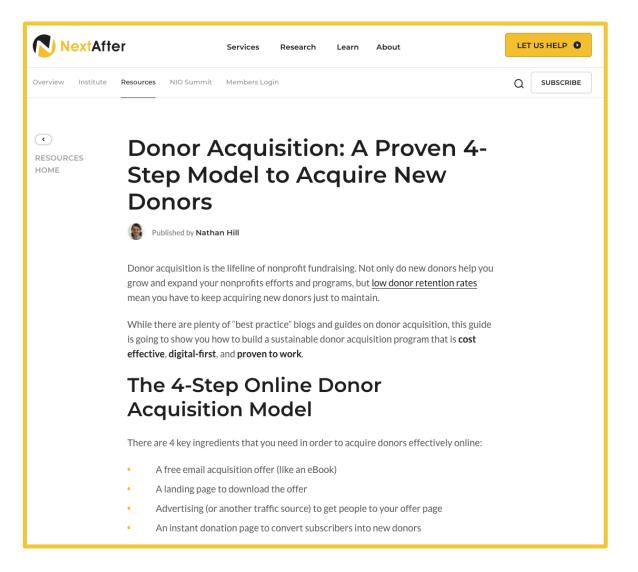
How to create an eBook

If you've been participating, you'll finish this session with an actual eBook outline.



Step 1 Gather your raw materials.

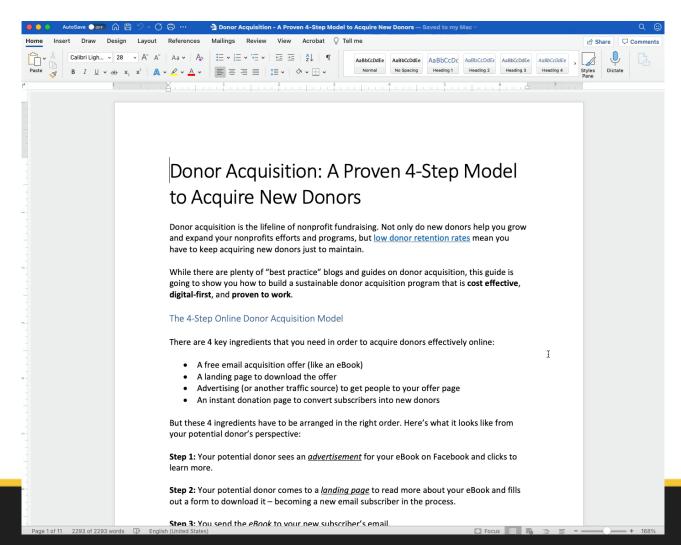
Blog Post: https://www.nextafter.com/donor-acquire-new-acquisition-a-proven-4-step-model-to-acquire-new-donors/





Step 2 Turn your raw materials into raw text.

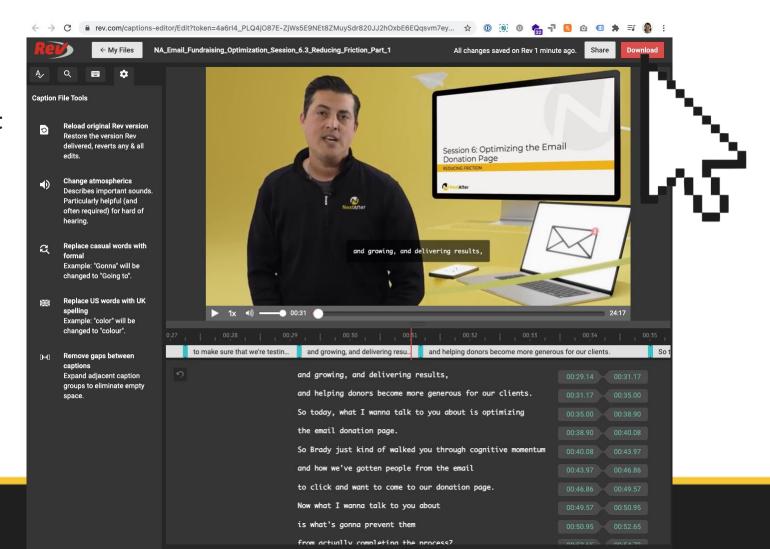
Starting with a blog





Step 2 Turn your raw materials into raw text.

Starting with a video or podcast





Step 3 Come up with a title.

Focused on value to the donor. Educational. Empowering. Click-bait FTW.



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Variation 1



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Things To Do in North Carolina: The Great **Outdoors**

Put sunshine on your calendar with Things To Do in North Carolina: The Great Outdoors

As your local resource for high-quality news and analysis, we at WUNC want to help you take advantage of the warmer weather and explore all that our beautiful state has to offer.

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With it, you'll be able to fill your weekends with activities including:

- . Enjoying jazz concerts at the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh
- · Spending a Saturday exploring in Saxapahaw
- · Visiting a North Carolina State Park
- · Playing a game of disc golf
- · And so much more!

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- Environment & Wildlife: 10 Daily Habits to Help Reduce Your Carbon Footprint
- Faith-Based: 40-Day Devotional to Prepare Your Heart for Easter
- Public Policy & Advocacy: 6 Proven Ways to Reduce Police Violence
- Social Services: 5 Practical Ways You Can Help Serve the Homeless in Your Community



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Five things every parent should do before flu season

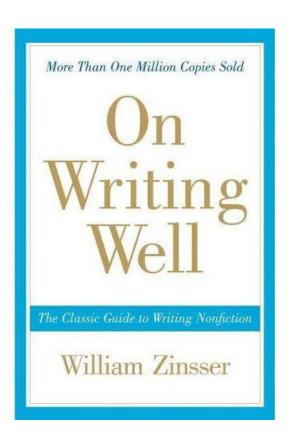


Step 4 Edit your copy down to fill ~10 pages.

2000-2500 words should be plenty. (Like an extra-long blog post)



"Clear thinking becomes clear writing; one can't exist without the other." – William Zinsser





Step 4 Edit your copy down to fill ~10 pages (in layout).

2000-2500 words should be plenty. (Like an extra-long blog post)

1. Clearly define at least 5 key takeaways.

2. Arrange your copy to support each of your main points.

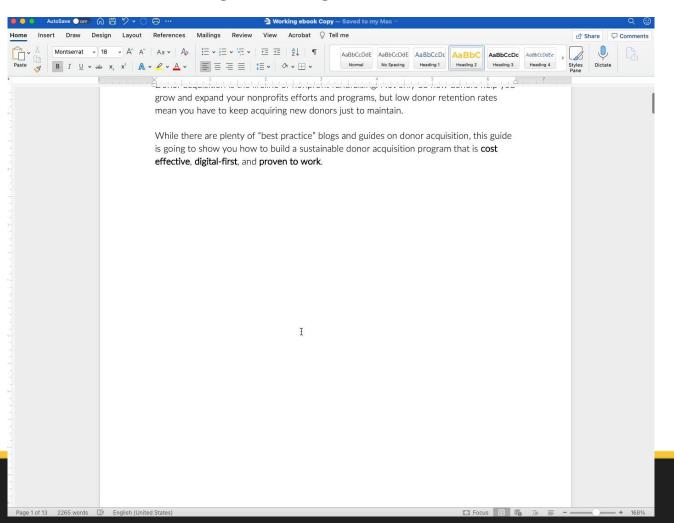
3. Cut, Cut, Cut, Cut, Cut.

"Strip every sentence to it's cleanest components."



Step 5 Make your copy look pretty.

Images. Page numbers. Page headers. Text formatting. Branding in the header/footer.



Step 6 Create your eBook cover.

Simple is better. Use Canva. Use a 3D book image generator.

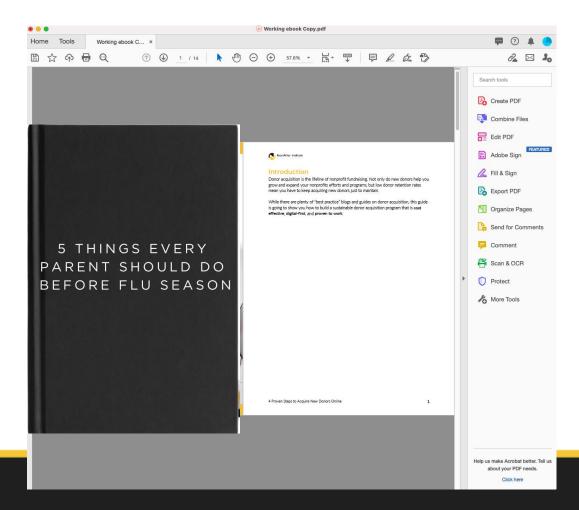
Canva (for free)





Step 7 Stitch it all together.

Save your text as a PDF. Add your cover page. Done.





Total Time

2.5 Hours (while building these slides)



Homework





Homework: Part 1

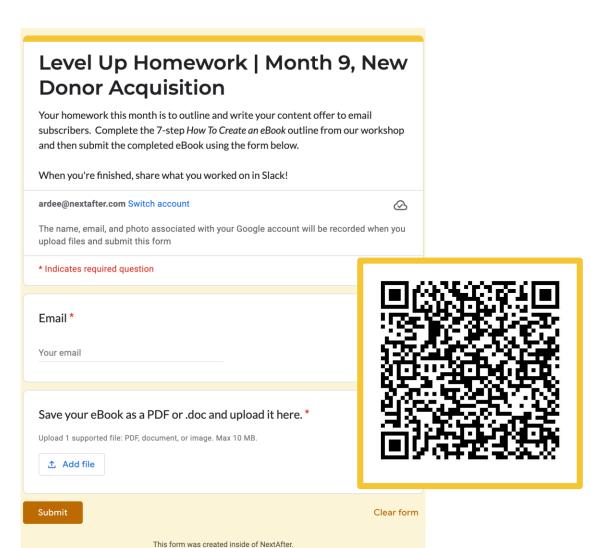
Create your own Content offer outline.

- Create a working title.
- Outline 5 key points or takeaways.
- Start filling in content (or note where to get it from).

Homework: Part 2

Create your content offer.

Create your winning content offer using the outline you made in part one



Does this form look suspicious? Report

Google Forms

Instructions

- Complete the 7-step guide to creating your content offer
- Upload your Content Offer using the Google Form



Dive Deeper







Online Donor Acquisition

In this 6-session course, you will learn the 4-step model to acquiring new donors online that can be used over a wide variety including web traffic, email, Facebook advertising, Google Ad grants, and more.

Included in your NextAfter Institute membership!







https://nextafter.com/level-up-membership

Dive Deeper with Digital Fundraising Courses from the NextAfter Institute









Level Up Resources



Level Up Digital Fundraising Resources

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Onboarding Resources

As part of the Level Up program, we encourage your team to watch these instructional videos for utilizing this giving platform year-round. Explore the complete ColoradoGives.org digital fundraising webinar library for comprehensive guidance.

Still have questions? Explore our support FAQs for additional information.

ColoradoGives.org |



ColoradoGives.org | Beyond The Basics



ColoradoGives.org | Embedable Donation Forms 101





Fundraising Strategy Courses

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ts at NextAfter Institute^m will facilitate monthly one-hour webinars designed to elevate your nonprofit's digital fundraising strategy. Through

NextAfter™ Training Webinars

Level Up, all organizational admins will be automatically enrolled via Zoom for these webinars. No further action is needed for registration.



\$INAR 1 | Goals & Metrics: Your Data-Driven Guide to Colorado Gives Day 2024

/EBINAR 2 | Crafting Compelling Appeals: Mastering the Art of Value Propositions

September | MILESTONE | Copywriting Courses 1.0 & 2.0 Begin

September 25 | WEBINAR 3 | Inbox Impact: Defining Your Colorado Gives Day Email Strategy

October 23 | WEBINAR 4 | Strategic Countdown: Mapping Your Year-End Campaign Strategy

November 1 | MILESTONE | Early Giving Begins for Colorado Gives Day 2024!





Don't forget to embed your donation form to streamline your campaign!





Questions?







