Turn Your Board into a Fundraising Board

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Imagine This...

Every member of your board is excited about raising money!

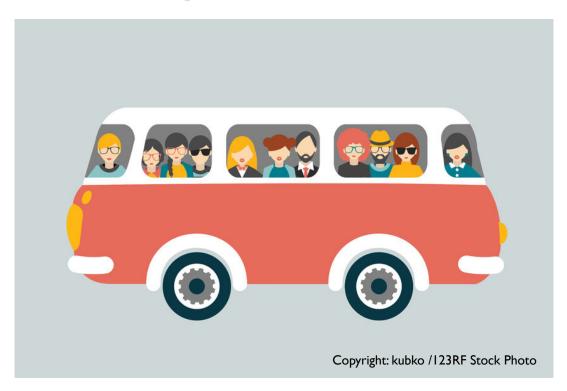


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- I. The right people
- 2. Inspire them
- 3. Train them
- 4. Hold them accountable
- 5. Reward them



1. Get the Right People on Your Bus



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Must: Be committed to your mission and vision

Must: Do what they say they are going to do

Three out of five:

Money, stature, time, connections, energy, courage

Are the Right People on Your Bus?



What Did You Tell Them Beforehand?



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Do they show up at meetings?

Do they participate actively at meetings?

Do they volunteer to do what needs to be done?

Do they champion your cause?

Do they visit your programs?

Do they offer to help?

Can you feel a buzz at board meetings?

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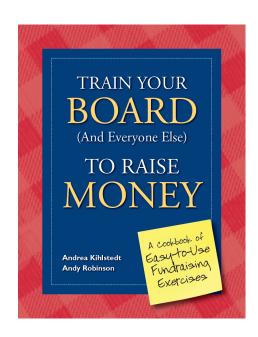
If not, ask them what to do about it!

Board retreat or workshop



Train them at every meeting!

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- Set the expectation that you will do an exercise at every board meeting
- Frame training as fun, experiential and a way to become more comfortable with fundraising
- Select exercises to match your fundraising schedule
- Vary length, topics and type

Quick and Active



Mingle Exercise



Thought Exercise



Role Play Exercise



Training Your Board: Sample Topics

- What's our mission
- Why people give
- Cycle of fundraising
- ABC's of Identifying prospects
- 6 Quick Asks

- Where's the money?
- Fear of asking
- Board giving
- What's the case: features and benefits
- Giving thanks

Special Guests



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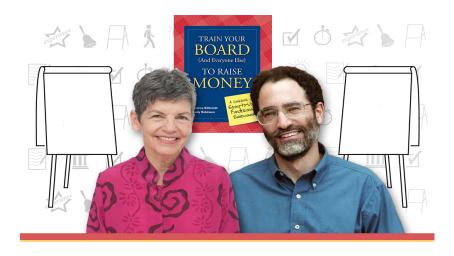


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Resources for You



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