### RE-IMAGINING YOUR FUNDRAISING Navigating The Challenges Presented By Coronavirus

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### TODAY'S PRESENTERS







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# OBSERVATIONS SINCE THE CRISIS BEGAN

### CCS COVID-19 GUIDELINES



### ENCOURAGING PHILANTHROPIC RESPONSE



Corporate	Individual
Response	Philanthropists
Foundation	New Collaborative
Response	Initiatives

### **WHAT STANDS OUT**

Donors are funding programs and areas not previously high priorities

#### Philanthropists are providing:

- Food for hospital workers
- PPE
- Support for nonprofit employees
- Support for the initiatives of their beloved organizations responding in their own way to the crisis

### COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVES



### ABOUT THE **NYC COVID-19 RESPONSE & IMPACT FUND**

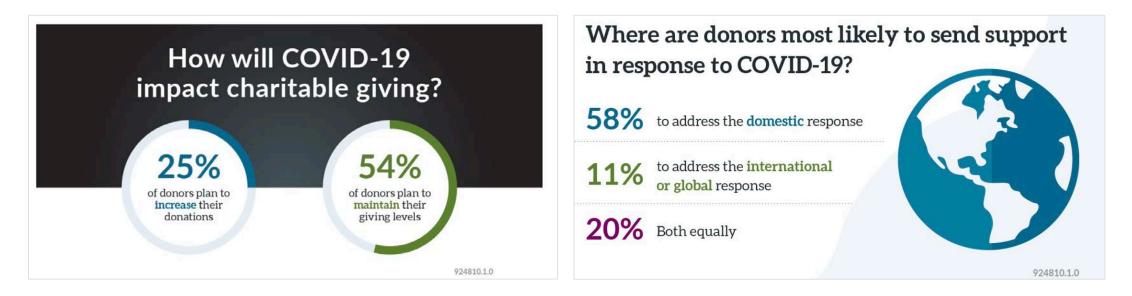
New vaccines should prevent epidemics from becoming global health emergencies



John-Arne Røttingen Interim CEPI CEO

**Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations** 

### FIDELITY CHARITABLE FINDINGS

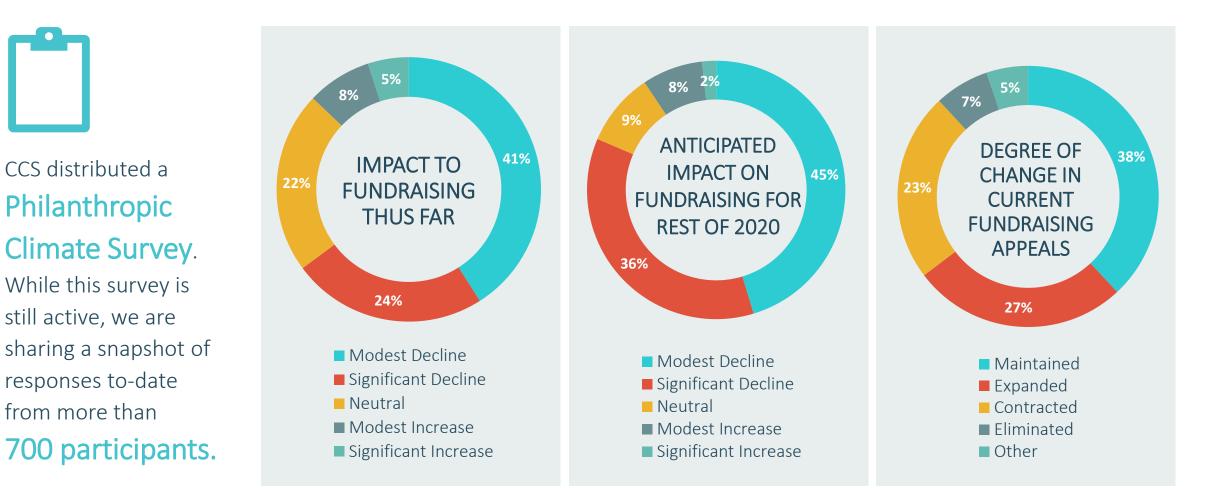


#### **KEY FINDINGS**

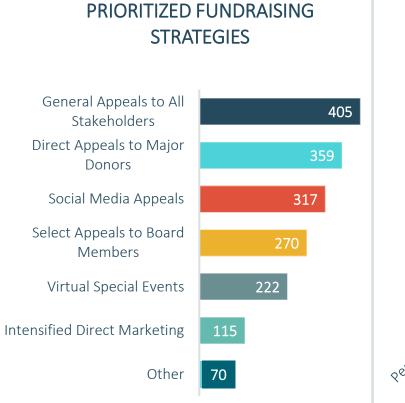
- 80 percent of donors are concerned about their favored nonprofits' ability to operate
- 1/3<sup>rd</sup> say they **don't have the information they need** to direct their COVID-19 support effectively
- 1/4<sup>th</sup> say they will **give to different organizations as a result** of the pandemic

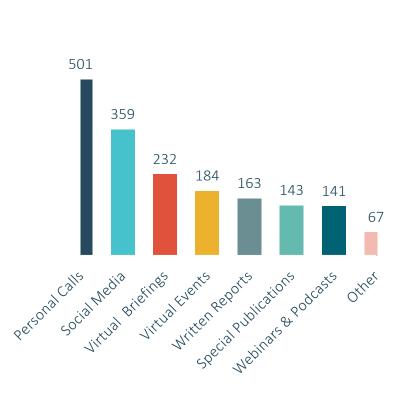
# STAGES OF POST-COVID FUNDRAISING EVOLUTION

### CURRENT NONPROFIT SENTIMENT



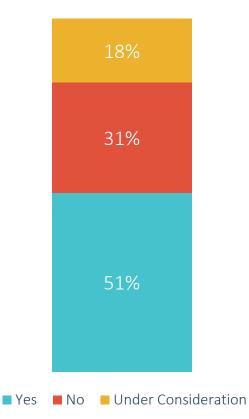
### FUNDRAISING STRATEGIES EMPLOYED





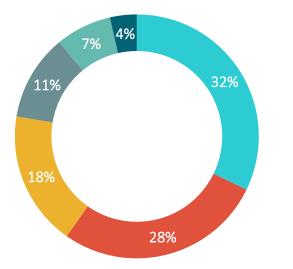
DONOR ENGAGEMENT METHODS

#### SPECIAL APPEALS / EMERGENCY FUNDS



### STAYING THE COURSE & INCREASING ENGAGEMENT

#### CHANGES TO CASE FOR SUPPORT

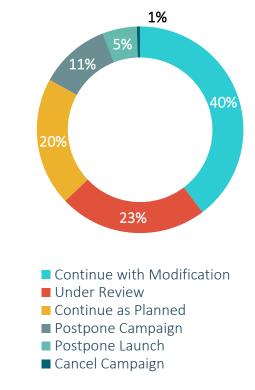


Yes, with special focus on new COVID programs
No, our case and needs are the same
Yes, with special focus on current programs
Our case and priorities are under review
Yes, with special focus on staff support
Other

#### PRIMARY SOURCES OF CURRENT SUPPORT



#### CHANGES TO MAJOR CAPITAL OR COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGNS



### HIGHLIGHTS: FUNDRAISING STAFF ACTIONS

- Our research shows that less than 15% of nonprofits have experienced fundraising staff reduction
- 4.8% have reported significant reductions while 9.6% have reported modest reductions
- An additional 12% have staffing changes under consideration

#### FUNDRAISING STAFF LAYOFFS/ FURLOUGHS

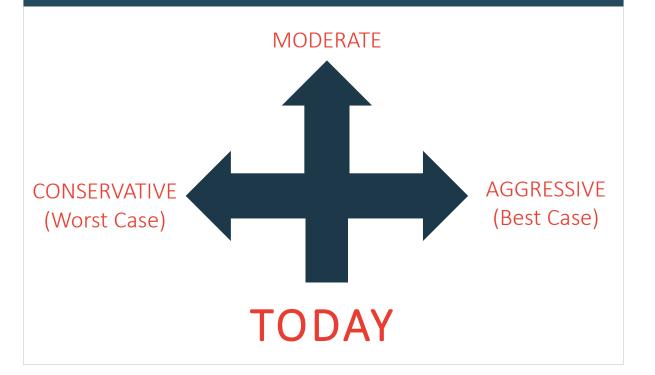


No
Yes, modest reductions
No, some additions

Under considerationYes, significant reductions

### **RE-EMERGENCE SCENARIOS**

The speed with which society emerges from this crisis will be impacted by continued community-wide actions



#### **KEY CONSIDERATIONS**

- Some of the most Aggressive models predict a beginning of re-emergence during Q2 of 2020
- More Conservative models suggest that real re-emergence will not happen until Q2 of 2021
- Your own organization will have to consider sector-specific and region-specific elements to craft your own scenario plans

### SCENARIO PLANNING HOW TO EVALUATE: "WHAT IF..."



**Gather key decision makers,** including a trusted Board member or two



Identify critical streams of philanthropic revenue over the next 6-9 months (e.g., major gifts, grants, fall events, fall appeals)



Identify a best case, worst case, and middle ground scenario that applies to your sector, region, and organizational dynamics



Assign primary decision-makers for each revenue stream

### COVID-RELATED FUNDRAISING EVOLUTION

#### I. IMMEDIATE CRISIS

#### **CHARACTERISTICS:**

- Chaotic
- Urgent
- Fast moving while immobile

#### AREAS OF FOCUS:

- Continued Operations
- Special Appeals

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#### II. STABILIZATION

#### CHARACTERISTICS:

- Methodical and slowing
- Planful

#### AREAS OF FOCUS:

- Program modifications
- Stakeholder engagement

## III. RE-EMERGENCE

#### CHARACTERISTICS:

Resembling pre-COVID

#### AREAS OF FOCUS:

- Campaigns and fundraising plans
- Metrics and evaluation

# CONSIDERATIONS FOR FUNDRAISING IN THE NEW ENVIRONMENT

### CORE FUNDRAISING ELEMENTS IN EACH STAGE

IMMEDIATE CRISIS	<b>CASE</b> Rationale behind the initiative – the "why"	<b>LEADERSHIP</b> Those who advocate for the cause
STABILIZATION	8	×=
	<b>B-B</b> PROSPECTS	PLAN
<b>RE-EMERGENCE</b>	Organization's natural constituency	Strategy and tactics for campaign

### STAGES OF FUNDRAISING EVOLUTION

	I. IMMEDIATE CRISIS	II. STABILIZATION	III. RE-EMERGENCE
CASE FOR SUPPORT	<ul><li>Immediate Action</li><li>Urgent funding requirements</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Interim funding plan and Case for Support</li> <li>Short-term funding impact and benefit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Establish modified or new strategic priorities</li> <li>Draft Case for Support for the foreseeable future</li> </ul>
LEADERSHIP	<ul><li>Special emergency working group</li><li>Stakeholder outreach</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Assess crisis impact and recast short-term priorities</li> <li>Broaden role in fundraising</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reconstitute Development Committee</li> <li>Reorganize fundraising leadership structure to support plan</li> </ul>
PROSPECTS	<ul> <li>Segment by giving level and relationships</li> <li>Determine the prospects most viable for immediate requests</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Reprioritize prospect pool</li><li>Establish individual plans</li></ul>	<ul><li>Full donor base review</li><li>Screen, model, prioritize</li></ul>
PLAN	<ul> <li>Intensify communication: connect, inform, and thank</li> <li>Implement special appeals to select donors and all audiences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Survey donors</li> <li>Design strategies for each donor segment</li> <li>Offer short term gift payment options</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rebuild capacity to support future efforts</li> <li>Reassess goal, timing &amp; Case elements of major campaign</li> </ul>



# THANK YOU!

For more resources on the impact of COVID-19 on philanthropy, visit <u>https://ccsfundraising.com/strategies-during-covid-19/</u>

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