# VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT AND MANAGEMENT

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# Learning Agreements:

- Responsibly unplug
- Once voice
- Step-up step back
- ELMO
- Questions at the end

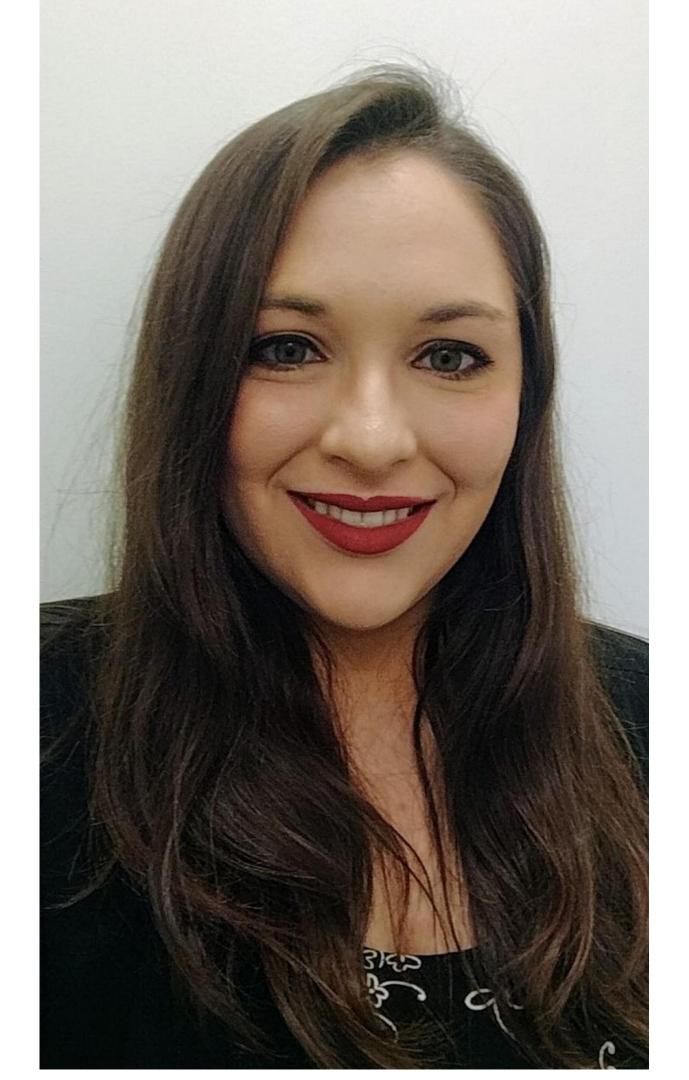


### Purpose:

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To discuss the foundational aspects of volunteer recruitment and management.



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#### Hello, I'm Ariel Baber

I'm a Volunteer Manager at AZCEND

I have a background with Youth Serving Organizations

I'm an AmeriCorps Alumni

#### COMMUNITY BUILDER

#### Consider the question:

What was the best volunteer experience you have ever had?



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What made it meaningful?

## Volunteer Recruitment

The process of attracting and screening candidates for volunteer work







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- Identify Your Organization's Needs Strategy
- Develop Your Message to Recruit Volunteers
- Engaging Volunteers Through Various Platforms
- Establish Community & Corporate Partnerships
- Encourage Word-of-Mouth Recruitment
- Screen Your Volunteers
- Focus on Retention

#### **Identify Organizational Needs**

- Calendar of Events
  - Fundraising
  - Advocacy
  - BOD, YPC, Auxiliary, & Affiliate
- Needs Assessment
  - Listening Tour
  - Survey

Develop Strategy/Plan

### Develop Messaging

#### Elements of Engagement

- Attention Grabbing Hook
  - Personalize to your Organization
- Theory of Change
  - Problem + Solution = Impact
- Leverage High-Value Questions
  - Discover preferences, motivations, abilities
- Outline Logistics
  - Who, What, When, Where
- Call to Action
  - Be specific!



# **Engage Volunteers Through Various Platforms**

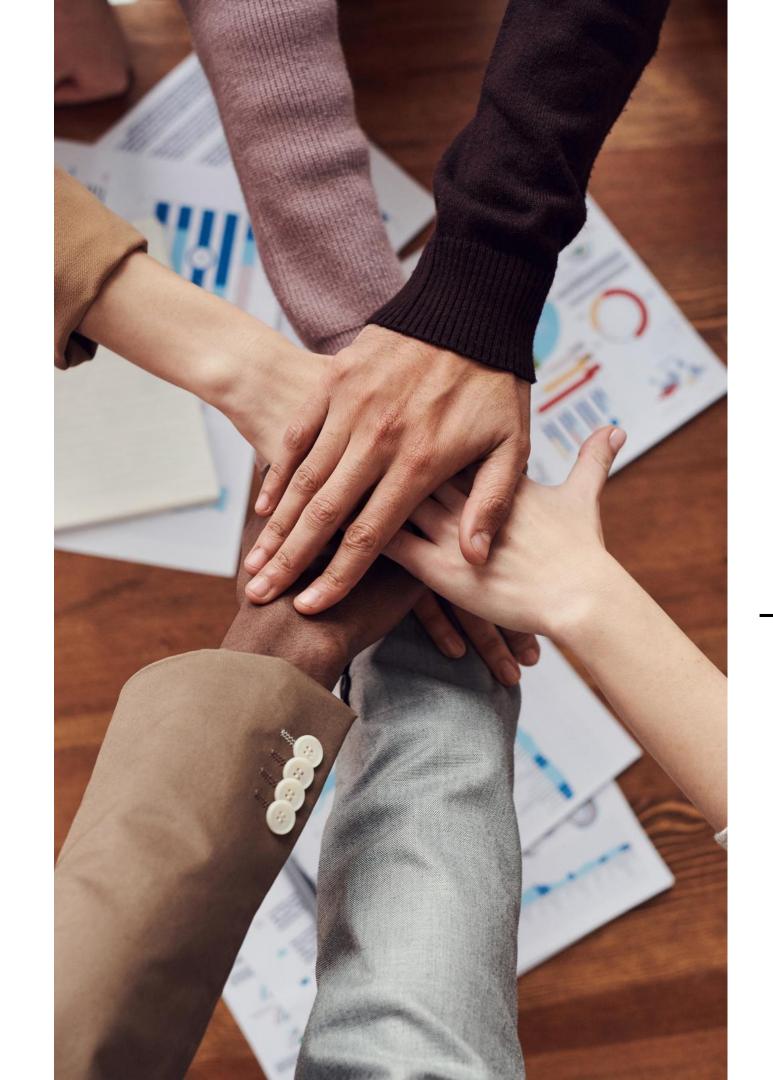


- Website
- Social Media
- Volunteer Hub
- Physical Postings (flyers)

- Tabling Events & Tours
- Group Presentations
- Newsletters
- Paid Advertisements

# Establish Community & Corporate Partnerships

- Community Organizations that are working to place volunteers with organizations
  - Hands-on Greater Phoenix
  - NCL/BTC
  - Faith-Based Organizations
  - College/University Service Learning
- Corporations working to fulfill social responsibility
  - Philanthropic Arm
  - Employee Resource Groups



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#### Word of Mouth

- Encourage your volunteers to share their AMAZING volunteer experiences
  - Verbally, Social Media, etc.
  - Act as a Liason
  - People are more willing to volunteer when a friend, family member, or co-worker is asking
- Everybody at your Org. is an advocate



#### Volunteer Screening



- Ensure the volunteer has the required availability, skills, certifications,
   trainings, etc. for the posted opportunity
- C Ensure the volunteer has submitted/passed any Org. safety requirements: Background Checks, Fingerprint Clearance Cards, CPR & First Aid, TB Test, etc.

#### Focus on Retention

- Moves Management
  - Discover
    - Recruitment
  - Cultivate
  - Brief
  - O Ask
  - Steward

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#### Cultivate

- Nurture volunteer's affinity for the organization through impactful social gatherings, site visits, and meaningful conversations
- Use their interests/Volunteer Personality to advance their understanding of the value of their support
- Invite to events, tours, meetings, graduations, etc.

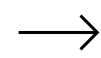


#### Brief

- Have a dialogue: Listen to the volunteer's
  feedback/perspectives to align with current or
  future giving opportunities based on Org. needs
  (time, talent, or treasure)
- Make a case: Synthesize what has been shared and align it with your case for support
- Make an ask if appropriate or schedule to make an ask at a later date

#### Ask

- Reaffirm mutual interests
- Make a meaningful/specific solicitation (time, talent, treasure)
  - Invite relevant parties to attend the meeting
- Agree on next steps



#### Steward

- Maintain a partnership mindset
- Keep volunteers engaged and provide regular updates
- Treat as a key stakeholder
- Treat them like a relationship, not a transaction
- Show gratitude often
  - Phone calls, verbal thank you, social media highlights, volunteer spotlights, written cards, event invitations, gifts/swag, client creations



#### Pitch Perfect

Develop your pitch for a volunteer activity. Remember to utilize the elements of engagement:

- Hook
- Theory of Change
- High-Value Questions
- Logistics
- Call to Action





#### Reflection

 Reflect on your volunteer community. What are their top 3 motivations to give? Are you currently engaging in the moves management process?

 If you do not currently have a volunteer community (or you don't know), what are some HVQ you can use to figure it out?



### Closing

Thank you!



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# What questions do you have for me?