# Maximize Year-End Fundraising: 8 Nonprofit Digital Marketing Strategies

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#### **FUNDRAISING TECH**

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#### Designed with you in mind

Designed for fundraisers by fundraisers through customer-led development input



#### Time saving data tools

Save time, attract and retain donors, and raise more money with all of your fundraising data in one place



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#### **Powerful Fundraising Technology + Nonprofit Service Provider**

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Feathr is the nonprofit marketing platform purpose-built to help mission and membership organizations unlock more











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Noah Barnett is the vice president of marketing at Feathr, the digital marketing platform built to help nonprofits create more engaging digital experiences and expand their impact. Over 1,500 mission-based and membership-based organizations trust Feathr to improve their reach, results, and ROI!





# What's your #1 priority / goal for end of year in 2023?





The Nonprofit Marketing Platform





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Feathr helps you run and report on integrated marketing campaigns with easy-to-use advertising, email, and digital engagement tools.



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# 8 Nonprofit Marketing Strategies for Year-End Fundraising



"We have to devise a means of making known the facts in such a way as to touch the imagination of the world.

The world is not ungenerous, but unimaginative and very busy."

- Eglantyne Jebb, Founder Save the Children



**Preparation Matters** 



- → Nothing
- → Everything
- → Ad Hoc

UNRELIABLE MAGIC



# Good marketing

- → Community-first
- → Responsive
- → Omnichannel
- → Measurable



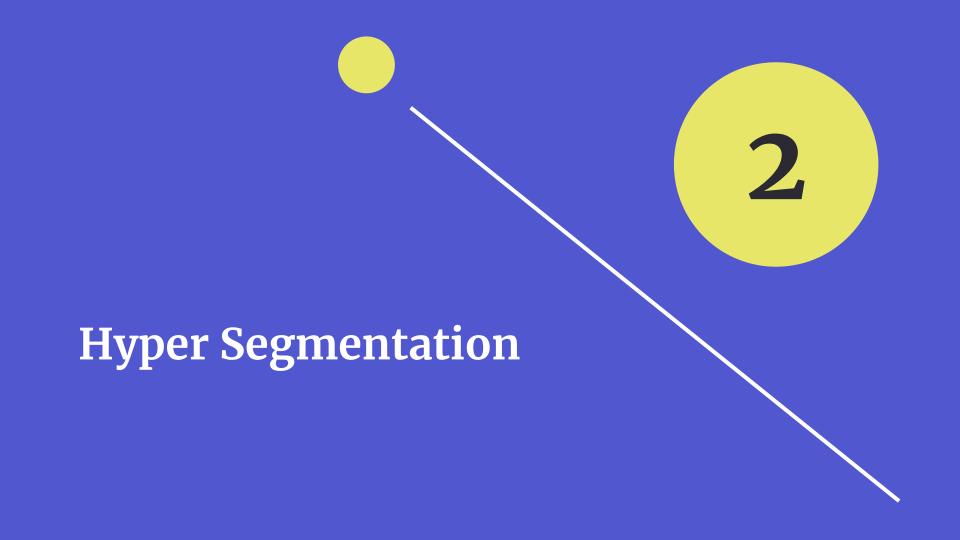
## **The Good Marketing Framework**

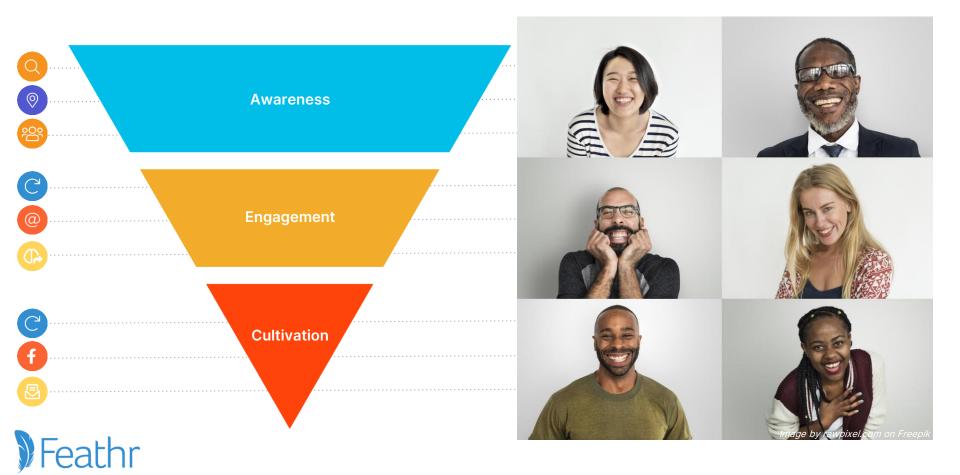




"If we think of end-of-year campaigns as the performance — all the hours of practice and meeting with the band and practicing your own scales and practicing the song — that's the yearround thing. It's not one time you practice the song."

- Chandler McFarland, Feathr







**EMAIL PERFORMANCE** 

# **List Segmentation**

- -> Engagement
- Behaviors
- Interest
- Intent
- Relationship





# **Segmentation Types**

## **Engagement**

Lifetime giving
Frequency
Volunteers
Members
Beneficiaries
Lookalikes

#### Behaviors

Website visitors
Email engagement
Advertising clicks
Event attendees
Recent volunteer / visitor

#### Interest

Motivation

**Prior Support** 

**Topic Alignment** 



This requires you to collect ongoing input / feedback from your community





We rely heavily on email, for good reason

# What channel/s are your most important?



- → 54% designated email as their most important marketing channel, and another 32% put it in either spot two or three.
- → All in all, 86% gave email a podium finish, which was far above any other channel



M+R Benchmarks found that for every 1,000 fundraising emails an organization sent, they raised \$78 in support. They also saw the already high average open rates for nonprofits increase even further to 22% during 2022

"... there are so many bright, shiny objects. Some are great. Some are a flash in the pan ... Nonprofits need to keep doing the basics really well and keep doing the channels that they know are working well."

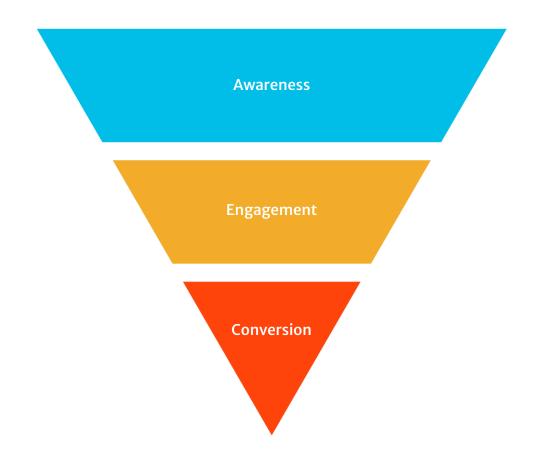
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#### **EMAIL PERFORMANCE**

# **Key Success Metrics**

- → Delivery
- → Engagement
- → Click through
- → Replies
- → Conversions
- → Revenue



#### REMINDER

# What you choose to measure directly impacts performance optimization.





# **Measurement Impact**

#### Revenue Per Email

**Direct CTA** 

Higher efficiency

Short-term

#### **Email Revenue**

Integrated

Better results

Conversational

#### Overall Revenue

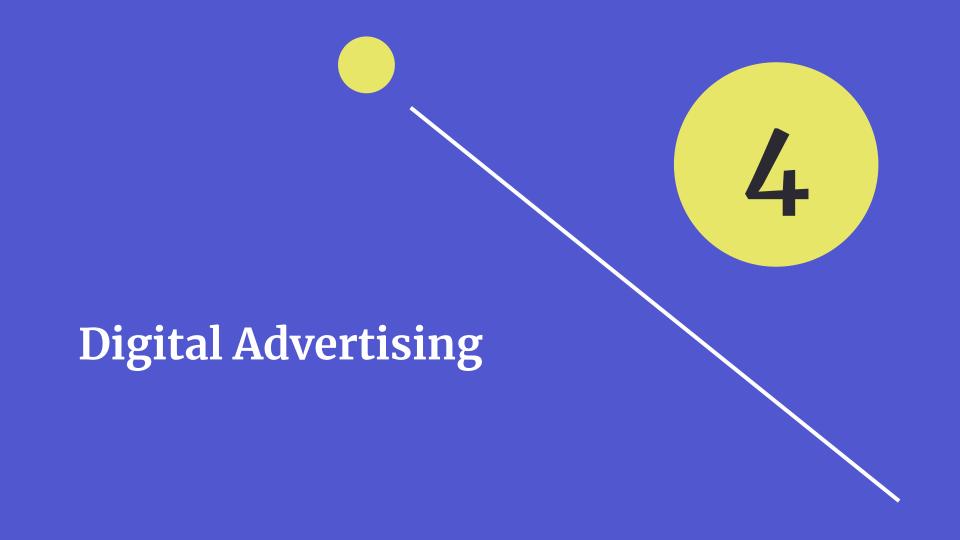
Multichannel

Holistic results

Longer feedback loop



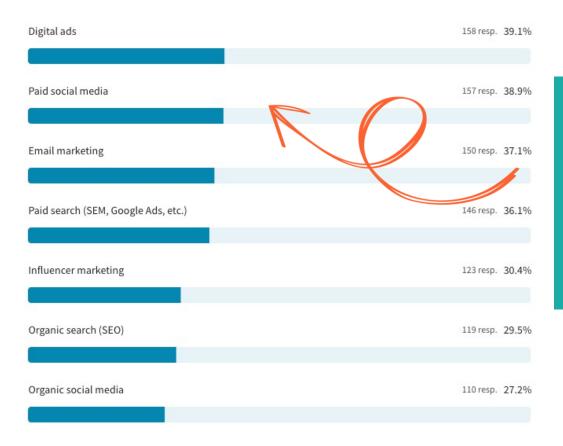
Optimization requires clear constraints and accountability. Higher impact doesn't mean best.





# We're doubling down on digital, especially advertising

# What digital channels are you investing in?



Less than 7% said that they would decrease their digital spend in 2023 while over 50% said they would increase the budget.

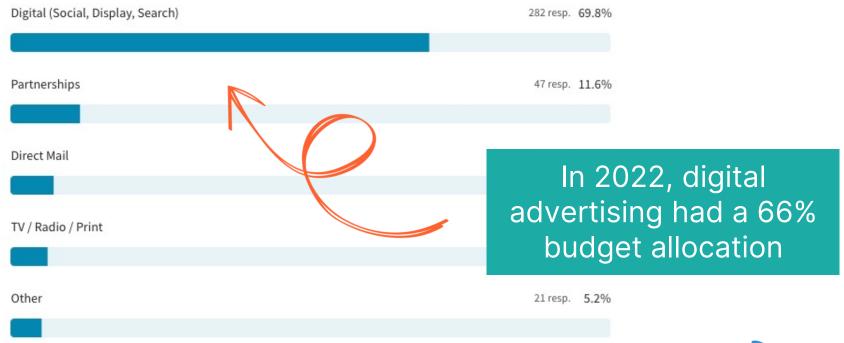


"Stories raise more money, raise more awareness, more reach and engagement than any other form of content."

- Julia Campbell, Nonprofit Marketing Consultant



# Where are you allocating advertising budget?

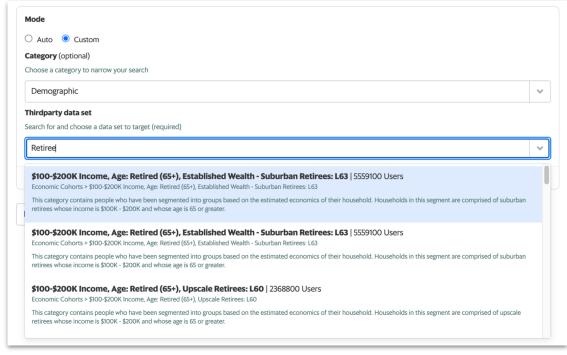




#### **Awareness** Affinity Targeting



Build an audience from scratch that matches characteristics of your existing donors: income demographics, purchase history, industry affiliation, location, and more.

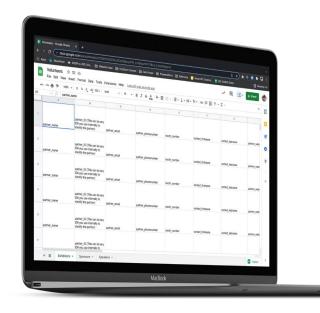




#### **Engagement** Email Mapping



Serve online ads to 60-80% of people not opening your emails. Donors, prospects, volunteers, members, etc.

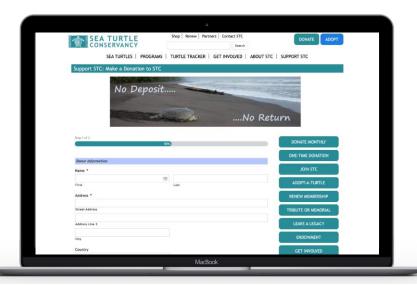


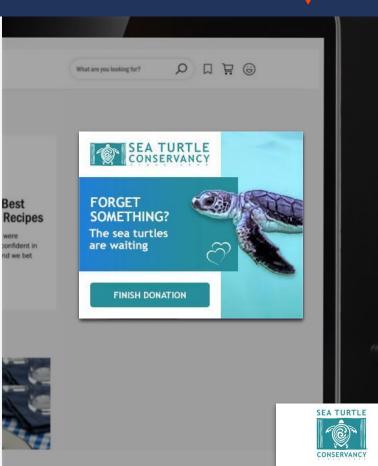


#### **Conversion** Donation Abandonment



Target people who started to fill out your form, but didn't finish.







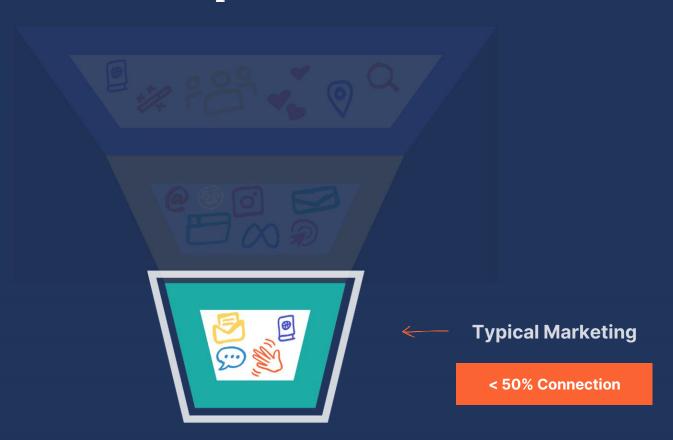
Retargeting expands impact of other channels

# **Closing The Connection Gap**

People You Want to Engage

People You Should Engage

People You Already Engage



## REMINDER

# Most people will NOT (4) engage with your emails.



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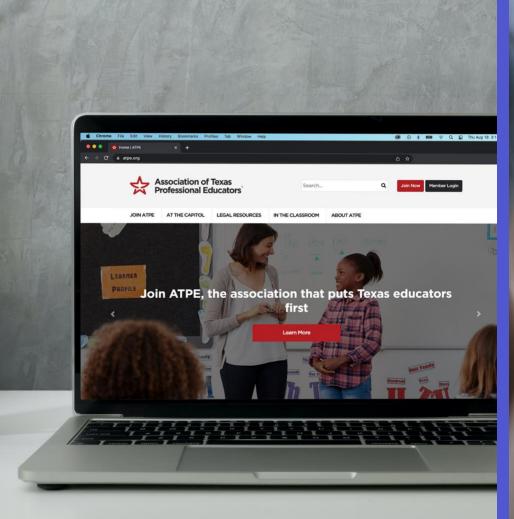
> 130% Connection

**Typical Marketing** 















EXAMPLE

# Supercharge your local giving day

## **Email lists targeted:**

- → Recent & previous donors
- → Former volunteers
- → Previous event attendees
- → List of unsubscribers!

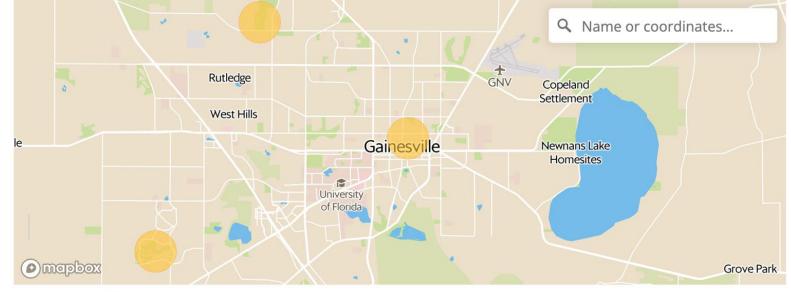






# Geofencing & Search Intent Advertising for Acquisition





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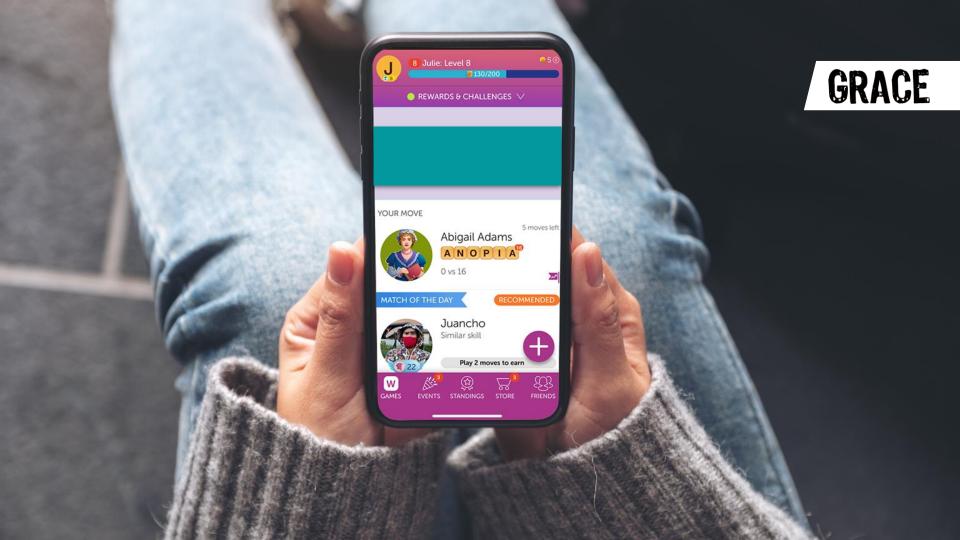
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### Name (required)

High-income neighborhoods

# Radius Units 1 kilometers





Search City or Zip Code









\* 54° Cambridge, MA

Today Hourly 10 Day

Weekend

Monthly

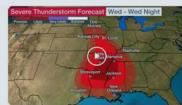
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Tracking, Timing Today's Severe Threat





#### IDEAS

# **Geofencing Ideas**

- → Country clubs, yacht clubs, golf courses
- → Target neighborhoods (postal codes)
- → Churches & places of worship
- → Festivals, concerts, sporting events
- → Conferences



## nonprofit supporting environmental conservation







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News

Images

Videos

Shopping

: More

Tools

About 106,000,000 results (0.61 seconds)

Ad · https://preserve.nature.org/donate

The Earth Needs You Now More Than Ever. Your **Support** Can Make a Difference for the Future. The Science is Clear. Donate Now to Help Tackle Climate Change. Build Healthy Cities. Protect Nature. Protect Our Only Nature. Save Endangered Species.



# **Intent Types**

- Cause alignment
- Look-a-like affinities
- Location based
- Shopping behaviors
- Like organizations



# Use omnichannel marketing to expand reach and ROI.

(aka email x digital x offline)



# Awareness Campaigns



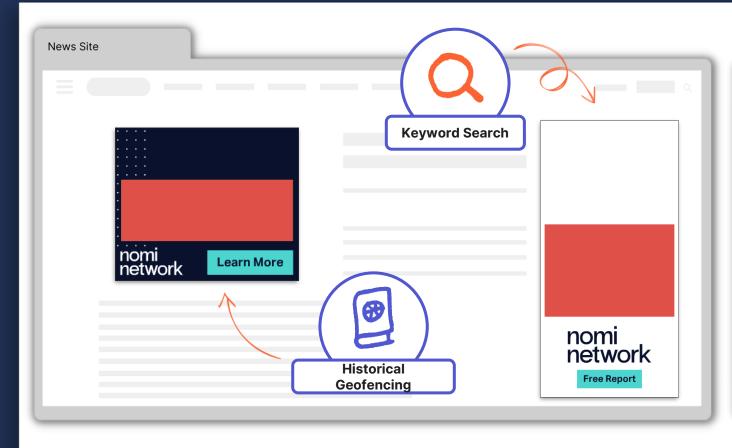






**Prospective Supporter** 

COLORADO WOMAN, BIZ OWNER, INCOME > \$\$\$, OUTDOORSY





# Cultivation Campaigns \_\_\_\_

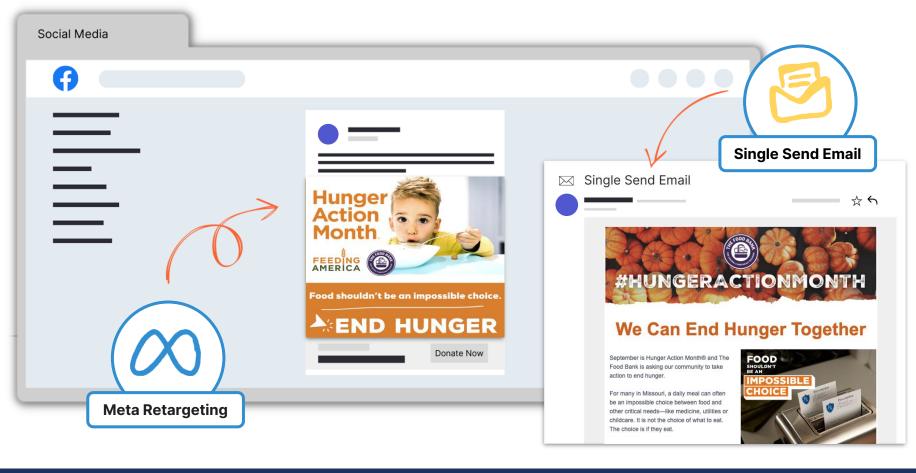






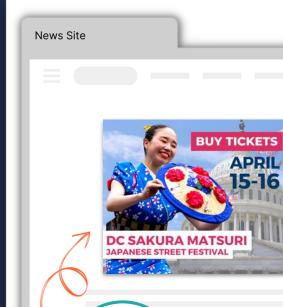


VERVIEW ←





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Site Retargeting
Early Blrd - All Visitors

BONUS

# Keep it practical. Start small. Focus.

"Focus always wins!!"

# Attention is the most valuable currency.

# Your competition goes beyond other nonprofits.

## REMINDER

# Take chances, make mistakes, get messy!





FREE RESOURCE OFFER

# Nonprofit Digital Marketing Toolkit for Year-End

Get your copy of our EOY toolkit. This comprehensive toolkit offers nonprofits a clear path to effective digital marketing for year-end fundraising.



feathr.co/year-end-toolkit

# Any questions?





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report on integrated marketing campaigns that grow your community and unlock more impact.







Case Study: Humane Society uses retargeting ads to boost online donations with a 1,983% return on ad spend



Humane Society of North Central Florida

#### CHALLENGE

With an online community giving day ahead, HSNCF wanted to ensure that their organization would stand out from the nearly 100 other nonprofits participating, engage previous donors, and get as many donations as possible.

#### OUTCOME

HSNCF ran two retargeting ad campaigns with Feathr and for \$300 in ad spend, they brought in an estimated \$5,950 in donations. In addition to using Feathr for its own promotions, HSNCF now offers retargeting ad campaigns to its top-tier sponsors.

### **CASE STUDY**

## 12-hour online giving day

- → \$300 ad spend
- → 119 donations
- → 1,983% return on ad spend

**VIEW LIVE REPORT** 

FEATHR ADS CASE STUDY -

FOR FUNDRAISING AND SPONSORED RETARGETING





## Case Study: IJM raises over \$100k with retargeting ads in year-end campaign



International Justice Mission

#### CHALLENGE

Despite economic uncertainty brought about by the pandemic, IJM wanted to drive more donations than ever for Holiday Gift Catalog 2020, a year-end campaign to raise funds for humanitarian causes around the globe.

#### OUTCOME

IJM worked closely with Feathr's Implementation Services team to launch three programmatic advertising campaigns through Feathr's ad platform, helping them raise \$109,500 in donations in just seven weeks.

### **CASE STUDY**

## End-of-year campaign

- → \$7k ad spend
- → \$109.5k raised
- → 1,563% return on ad spend

**VIEW LIVE REPORT** 

FEATHR ADS CASE STUDY -

- FOR DRIVING DONATIONS





We have consistently grown our audience — and consistently had better and better results year-over-year because of Feathr. It's definitely worth the money. Ten fold.

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