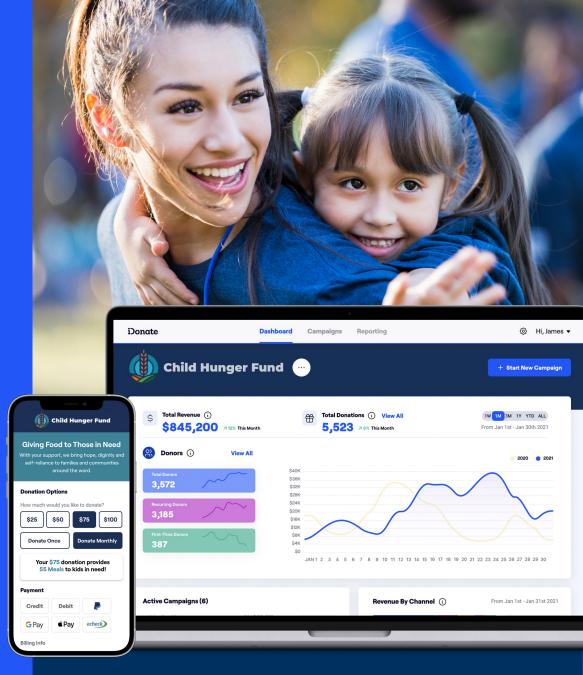
# Evaluating Tech for Organizational Growth

How to have the best experience finding the most impactful tools



# Agenda

Set the stage

**Pre-evaluation** 

**During evaluation** 

**Post-evaluation** 

Wrap-up

What has been the best buying experience you've ever had? (car, house, clothes, CRM, etc.)

What has been the worst?

# Wouldn't it be nice to just swipe right on tech?

### 3 Key Rules of engagement:

**Transparent Communication** 

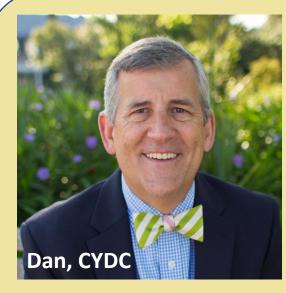
Respect

Kindness



I love helping nonprofits problem solve and make a greater impact! Former fundraiser, P2P marathoner and dachshund lover.

Solving for: A/B testing, digital fundraising, giving forms, revenue growth, efficiency



No fishing photos here—fundraising leader, professional networker and relationship builder. Let's grab a bourbon and talk shop!

Seeking: events, good deals, CRM, dashboards



Travel Mode: Visiting my grandkids in NC



Part 1

# **Pre-evaluation**

Let's get our ducks in a row before starting a conversation.

# Goals of your sales reps

- Discovery: Education vs. Active
   Search
  - Goals/Challenges
- Industry-wide Challenges benefit of seeing many nonprofits

- Good fit
- Understand internal power dynamics
- Develop a champion
- Joint Execution Plan

	Key Stakeholders					
	iDonate			Dan's Nonprofit		
	Account Executive	Sam, sshirley@idonate.com		Project Lead	Dan, ddaniel@cydc.org	
	Sales Engineer	name & email		Technical Lead	name & email	
	Executive Sponsor	name & email		Executive Sponsor	name & email	
Due Date	Next Steps		Type	Stakeholders	Status	Notes
	Discovery					
3/15/2023	Intros & Goals for Buyer Company		Meeting	DOD, User, Champion	Complete	went greatscheduled demo
3/20/2023	Evaluation Process		Deliverable	Champion	In Progress	
	Pilot Planning  Pilot  POC Kickoff  Technical Checkpoint  Results and Review		Meeting		Not Scheduled	
					In Progress	
			Meeting	IT team	Complete	
			Meeting		Not Scheduled	
	Business Recommendation		Deliverable		Scheduled	
	Partnership Formalization Contracting Kickoff Redlines & Legal Signatures					
			Meeting	CFO		
			Task			
			Task			
	Onboarding & S	etup				
	Onboarding Kickoff		Meeting			
	Onboarding Steps		Task			
	30 Day Check-in		Task			

# What to consider in advance

- Tech Audit
- Budget
- Initial Research
  - G2Crowd, TechSoup, TogetherSC

- Strategy
- Procurement/Stakeholders
- Personnel evaluation & beyond

# RFP Dos and Don'ts

# Do you know what your procurement process is?



Part 2

# **During evaluation**

We're all in—LET'S GO! How to evaluate tools when there are so many shiny objects to distract you.

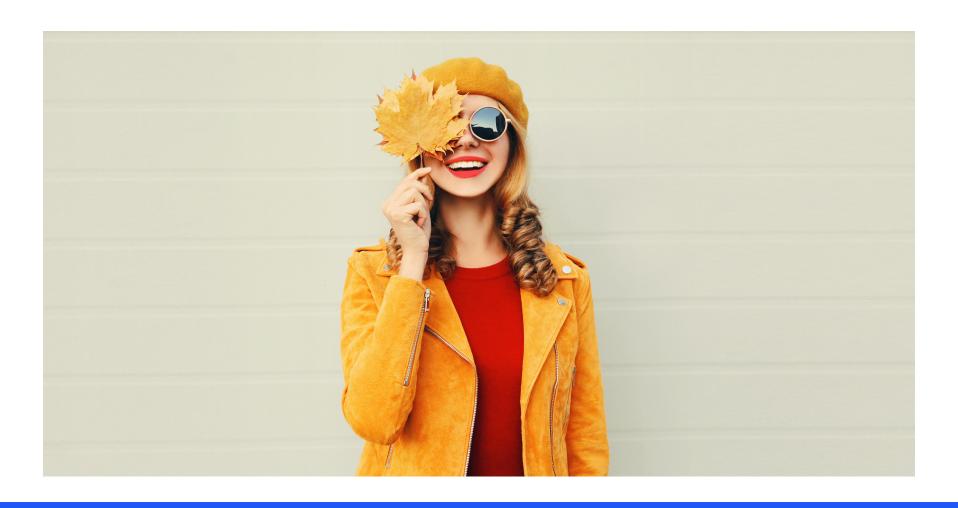
**Trends** 

**Present** 

Top 5 Q's

**IT Must Haves** 

# **Trends**



# TOP 5



- 1. Biggest challenges
- 2. What would happen if...?
- 3. Biggest fears/concerns
- 4. Organizational change
- 5. Priority

# **Be Present**



### **IT Must-Haves**

Do not pass go unless these boxes are checked:

- PCI (credit card) and SOC-2 (data encryption) Compliant
- GDPR (General Data Protection Legislation)
- Open API
- Native integrations and/or CSV upload
- Embeddable forms
- Tokenization
- Cloud-based, works on all browsers
- ADA compliant/translate (if applicable)



Onboarding & Migration

Top 5 Q's

**Demo Site** 

References

# **Onboarding and Migration**



# TOP 5

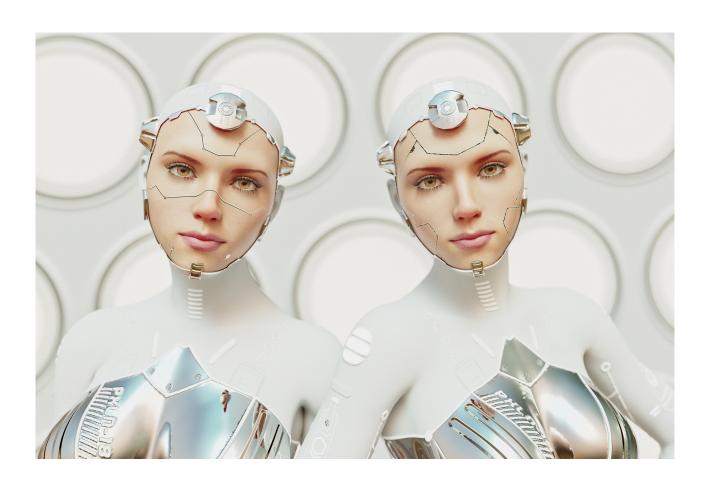


- 1. When to include C-Suite
- 2. ROI
- 3. Efficiency
- 4. What needs improvement
- 5. Customer Support

# **Demo Site**



# References



1) Where do you usually get stuck in a purchasing decision?

2) When have you been successful advocating for what you need?



Part 3

# **Post-evaluation**

You've decided on a tool. Now what? Procurement, implementation and beyond.

# **Contract Review/Negotiation**

- Terms
- Liability
- Price guarantee
- End of month/quarter discounts
- ROI
- Breaking contract



# Now what?

- Quarterly Business Reviews
- Ongoing Customer Support
- Implementation
- Third parties
- Integrations
- Internal/External Accountability



What is one action you will implement to impact your current/future toolset?

# If nothing else...

- 1. Internally be clear about the objectives you are trying to achieve.
- 2. Externally be communicative about your procurement process and be open to new ideas.
- 3. Together you can connect the dots to discover if it's the right fit for you.



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