#### **DONOR ENGAGEMENT**

## Refining Communications via Email Marketing Tools

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# Introduction & Learning Objective



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#### Agenda

- 1. Overview of Targeted Email
- 2. Overview of Triggered Email
- 3. Creating and Sending Emails
- 4. Q&A



## Targeted Email Overview



### **Targeted Email Overview**

Segment your audience for better deliverability



Create dynamic content using merge fields



Maintain a consistent look and feel with Drag & Drop templates or using the Classic editor's themes and reusables



And make contributions or action items as easy as one-click using SmartLinks

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#### Getting Started with Targeted Email

You can open **Targeted Emai**l from the Sidebar, from the Main Menu under Digital Engagement, Targeted Email, or from the waffle icon next to your name at the top right corner.





### Understanding the Dashboard

Once you open Targeted Email, you'll see a dashboard that will give you a snapshot of your email program including:



Your Email Performance from the last 30 days, including Opens, Clicks, Amount Raised, Bounces, and Unsubscribes:

Beneath each number or percentage, you will see your previous month's numbers, making it easy to see whether your email program is improving each month.



Your most recent Draft, Sent, and Pending emails:

Emails from your A/B tests will appear in the pending section of the dashboard.



The option to create a new email, duplicate an earlier email, or create a series using automation



#### Navigating the Dashboard

The tabs at the top of the page will let you see your:

- **Emails:** listing of all your Sent emails as well as any pending emails, and drafts
- Triggered Email: add, edit, or deactivate automated email responses such as subscription confirmations or recurring commitment payment failures
- **Content Library:** add, edit, or deactivate your templates, themes, and reusables

#### More Tips for using the Targeted Email dashboard:

- View a sent email by clicking on the email name
- Hover over the stat percentages to display the raw number
- Click on the dropdown to the right to see a page with more detailed stats
- You will only see the Amount Raised if the email you sent links to a **Contribution** or **Ticketed Event** form

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### **Creating Targeted Emails**

#### With the **Drag and Drop** Editor you can:

- Add video content links and social media links
- Create mobile-responsive layouts and quickly swap out graphic elements as needed
- Create templates to speed-up content creation and ensure consistency across committees or affiliates.

## With the **Classic Editor** you can:

- Access HTML source code directly
- Apply customized HTML and CSS styling
- Employ Themes to quickly standardize the look for your emails
- Create and use Reusables.

### With **both editors** you can:

- Use Merge Fields to create conditional content
- Create links from your email using query strings that will pre-fill forms or track other information about who is responding to your emails
- Add Smart Links to make it easier for your recipients to donate or act by inserting a link to your online form that will automatically pre-fill using the supporter's personal information from their Fast Action profile.



#### **Email Groups and Email Series**



In addition to one-off email messages, you can also create a series of scheduled emails that your supporters can receive (such as a Welcome series). **Email Series are created and tracked using the Automation feature**, which gives you access to branching workflows that help you personalize messages based on recipient responses. Automation includes the same email creation tools available in Targeted Email.



If you have multiple versions of the same message that you want to send to specific segments, you can also create an email group. Email groups help you manage which version of an email your supporter gets and keep you from sending multiple versions to the same person.



#### **Tracking Your Success**





Email Performance Report - For each email sent in the last 13 months, view all recipients and whether they opened, clicked, converted, bounced, or unsubscribed.



Email Test Case Comparison Report -Compare email performance for all variants of an email sent as part of an A/B split test. You can also add columns for From Email, From Name, and Subject Line to this report. 4

Email Links Comparison Report - View and compare click counts for links in your emails and across different emails and variants (A/B tests). 5

Email Address Status Report - View subscription status and confirmation status for emails.



## Triggered Email Overview



### **Triggered Email Overview**



**Triggered Emails**, **also known as autoresponders or transactional emails**, are emails sent automatically in response to an action taken by the recipient, such as confirming an email subscription or notifying them if their payment to you fails for some reason. You can customize your Triggered Emails with personalized messages based on what you know about the recipient. They are very simple to set up and manage.



This tool is included as part of the **Targeted Email feature**.



### **Triggered Email Recipients**

While Targeted Emails are only sent to supporters who have optedin to your messages, a **Triggered Email can be sent to anyone**, **regardless of subscription status**. Because the recipient initiated some sort of action that triggers the autoresponder to send, these messages have a special status under CAN-SPAM and other email laws and can be sent to both subscribed and unsubscribed recipients. They typically have higher open and clickthrough rates than promotional emails.

To avoid violating this special exception rule, Triggered Emails should contain, at most, **limited promotional content**, and it should be clear this isn't the focus of the email.





#### Automation versus Triggered Emails



Triggered Emails are used to send a single, specific message in response to an event.



Automations are typically used for things like Welcome Series, reengagement campaigns, or other outreach efforts where you want to customize your responses based on what you know about your contacts.



You can, however, use both tools together by using Triggered Emails as entry criteria for Automations like the Lapsed Sustainer workflow.



### **Triggered Email Navigation**

You can open Triggered Emails from the tab at the top of the Targeted Email feature.





### **Triggered Email Navigation**





### Monitoring Triggered Emails

The Summary section of the Triggered Emails dashboard gives you a quick overview of how many messages have been sent and opened when using any of your triggered emails.

Name	Recipients	Opens	Clicks	Last Sent
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You can also track any of your Triggered Emails in much the same manner as any Targeted Email, including:

- Searching for recipients from the Targeted Emails section of Create a List
- Using the Email Performance report to see who is opening and clicking on the message
- Viewing which triggered emails a particular contact received using the Targeted Email section on the contact's details page

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## **Creating and Sending Emails**



#### Getting Started with Targeted Email

When you are ready to begin creating a new email message to your subscribers, you can open **Targeted Email** from the Sidebar.

You can then select:

- Create New to begin a new email
- **Create from Existing** to select a previous email to copy. You can then decide whether you want to include the same audience and then add or edit information as you would when you Create New.
- Create Series with Automation to create a series of scheduled emails you can send to supporters
- Create an Email Group to send multiple versions of an email without sending duplicates to supporters



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#### **Basic Features**

Once a Targeted Email selection has been made, you will be prompted to:

- Add organizational sender information
- Select between using the Drag and • Drop Editor and the Classic Editor
- Select your recipients to build your • intended audience
- Calculate your recipients in order • to verify that the counts are as expected

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### Composing Your Unique Message

Embedded in the composition steps of **Targeted Email**, you will be prompted to:

- Add email deliverability best practices
- Be guided through the step-by-step features to compose the body of your email message
- Add merge fields that pull in information from a contact record and place it in your emails or forms
- Add more personalization with conditional content
- Increase engagement with Smart Links
- And track your results using Query Strings.

For a detailed tutorial of these steps, please visit the help documentation linked at the end of this webinar.

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Q & A





## Additional Resources



### Support

- Contact your System Administrator
- Email <u>help@EveryAction.com</u>
- Call (202) 370-8050
- Submit a Support Request Ticket from the Main Menu of the EveryAction CRM





### Help Center Resources

- Overview: Targeted Email
- Overview: Triggered Email
- How to: Create and send Targeted Email
- How to: Add Smart Links in the Targeted Email Classic Editor



### Additional Training

- Bonterra Academy: <u>https://help.everyaction.com/s/article/Bonterra-Academy-Self-Signup</u>
  - Foundational Webinar Series
  - Upcoming initiatives
  - Videos in Bonterra Academy



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