



Stand Up To Cancer brings in thousands of donations from participating in GoFundMe's experiments

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challenge

Solution

Leverage GoFundMe's continuous product innovation and participate in digital fundraising experiments to acquire new donors

“There’s a big difference between a vendor and a partner. I can find 10 other vendors that do what GoFundMe does. The secret ingredient is that GoFundMe is a true partner, and the communication goes both ways.”

– Martin Quessenberry, SVP of Digital Transformation and Innovation at Stand Up To Cancer

Results from the GoFundMe checkout experiment after two months*:

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*Based on 2025-2026 GoFundMe data and Stand Up To Cancer-provided data

A decade-long partnership drives product innovation

For many organizations, including Stand Up To Cancer (SU2C), extending bandwidth and maximizing reach are constant challenges. This has driven the team to be innovative and rely on technology to scale its operations. Martin Quessenberry, SVP of Digital Transformation and Innovation at SU2C, has been a close partner of GoFundMe and GoFundMe Pro for over 10 years, spanning multiple nonprofits.

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GoFundMe’s experimentation roadmap is continuously evolving, and opportunities are shaped by partner readiness, mission alignment, and platform priorities. By partnering with GoFundMe, SU2C has a critical advantage to influence product development and participation in platform-wide experiments that help reach new audiences. One such experiment involved prompting supporters who donated to a cancer-related GoFundMe fundraiser to make an optional donation to SU2C at checkout.

The goal of the low-lift test was to capture incremental revenue from supporters on GoFundMe who are already motivated to give, establish a new pathway for nonprofit discovery and donor acquisition, and create new donor relationships from explicit marketing consent that bring future engagement beyond the initial gift. The checkout experiment led to impressive initial results for SU2C, a 52% increase in donations per day, on average, and \$21,000 raised within the first two months, all with \$0 acquisition costs.

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donors and potential donors, which will help

to drive both immediate funding and long-term donor relationships.

Martin Quessenberry

SVP of Digital Transformation and Innovation at Stand Up To Cancer

A data-driven donor nurture strategy

While the checkout experiment generated over 4,200 gifts, the true value lies in the donor data. A key success metric was the 41% of donors who provided explicit marketing consent. These donors are being added to Salesforce, and with the help of [Dataro](#), real-time AI-powered data analysis can help SU2C understand why donors gave, their capacity to give, and their communication preferences, enabling effective segmentation. This data-first mindset ensures that every experimental opportunity is

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ff Dataro and GoFundMe Pro are powerful on their own, but together they close the gap between intelligence and execution—helping Stand Up To Cancer move seamlessly from knowing who to focus on to actually acting on it. Dataro’s predictive models remove guesswork from sustainer growth, whilst surfacing hidden mid-level and major giving prospects. Those insights then flow directly into GoFundMe Pro, where Stand Up To Cancer can bring them to life through personalized landing pages and targeted supporter journeys. The result is smarter work, stronger stewardship, and better fundraising outcomes with less wasted effort.

Aleks Chojnacki

Head of Partnerships at Dataro

New innovations to continue product and donor acquisition growth

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leveraging [GoFundMe's live fundraising tools](#) to engage an influencer and creator market that already supports SU2C's mission.*

*Results reflect Stand Up To Cancer's campaign strategy and may vary for other organizations.

“ The exposure and revenue being generated from these experiments are phenomenal, but the value is in the data that we're receiving. Because of the conversion rate and the number of people opting in to receive communications from us, that's where the true value is that we can optimize.

Martin Quessenberry

SVP of Digital Transformation and Innovation at Stand Up To Cancer

Martin's GoFundMe Pro tips:

1. Share candid feedback—your insights can influence product development and simplify your daily work.

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Success Story

V Foundation for Cancer Research raised 10x year over year with the support of GoFundMe's live fundraising tools

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