

UNIT FUND DEVELOPMENT 101

PREPARED FOR THE 2022 ORWG CONFERENCE

9 APRIL 2022

ORIENTATION

- Why Raise Funds?
- Start with a Budget
- Development Opportunities
- Development Pitfalls
- Development Planning
- Questions



WHY RAISE FUNDS?



Integrity First Volunteer Service Before Self Excellence in All we Do Mutual Respect

WHY RAISE FUNDS?

- Appropriated Funds
 - Aircraft
 - Ground Vehicles
 - Communication Equipment
 - ES/Ops Fuel/Oil/Maintenance
 - Congressionally-Budgeted
 - Overseen by USAF

- Non Appropriated Funds
 - Restricted Funds
 - Donor-Directed
 - GC-Reviewed
 - Commander-Approved
 - Unrestricted Funds
 - Everything else!

WHY RAISE FUNDS?

- Operating Expenses:
 - New DF Equipment
 - New Colorguard Equipment
 - AE iFly Activity
 - Dry-Erase Boards for Unit
 - Software
 - Scholarships
 - Travel Expenses

- NOT Capital Expenses
 - New Buildings/Improvements
 - New Aircraft
 - New Ground Vehicles
 - Outside Scope
 - Huge Time & Expertise Investment

START WITH A BUDGET

- You need a unit financial plan
 - Fund development needs to balance out with expenses
- The plan needs to include all unit expenses
 - Cadet Program Activities
 - ES/Operations Activities
 - Equipment Maintenance

- Aerospace Education Activities
- Administrative Costs
- Awards/Recognition
- THEN you can plan how to generate income
- This is its own presentation, but assistance is available



DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Fundraising Programs Available for Units



These are promoted and supported by NHQ

If you don't use them correctly, your unit may not see the funds



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DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



- These are other local opportunities
- Prioritize which ones work for your unit
- They're also opportunities to engage the community & make friends
- Connect with your local United Way, or other federated giving organization



DEVELOPMENT PITFALLS

- CAPR 173-4 Says:
 - You need Wing CC approval (in writing!)
 - No selling alcohol
 - No Senior Members in USAF-Style Uniforms
 - Don't even mention the USAF
 - Do the paperwork

- Development Ethics:
 - Don't mislead about where funds are used
 - Make specific asks, based on need
 - Acknowledge donors
 - Allow anonymity if donors request
 - Always gracefully accept a "No"
- Also
 - Don't use a ".gov" email (not a CAP rule)

DEVELOPMENT PITFALLS

- "We can get a grant for that."

- "Let me introduce myself..."
- Grants are DIFFICULT
- The relationship should've started LONG before you ask for support

• "It's OUR money [they] can't tell us what to do with it."



• There are a lot of levels of oversight in CAP



DEVELOPMENT PLANNING



GirdwoodSquadron.com/DevPrez

QUESTIONS?

- Presenter Info
 - Lt Col Edward A. Bos, CAP
 - Ten years professional fundraising experience
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- CAP Chief of Philanthropy
 - Kristina E. Jones, M.A., CFRE
 - Certified Fundraising Executive (She's a highly qualified pro!)
 - Leads a VERY experienced staff

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES*

- <u>National Council of Nonprofits</u>
- CAP Field Fundraising
- <u>CAPR 173-4</u>
- <u>BSA Budget Planning (Non-CAP, but</u> <u>comprehensive and comparable)</u>

- <u>BottleDrop</u>
- <u>Tillamook Country Smoker Fundraiser</u>
- <u>4imprint (Ornaments, etc)</u>
- <u>Applebee's Fundraisers</u>



*Not Endorsements