

#### Canada

Pop: 35 Million

GDP: \$1.821 Trillion (OECD) 10th

**World Freedom Index:** 6<sup>th</sup> (Heritage)

Taxes as a Percent of GDP: 35.8% (OECD) 12th



#### **Canadian Taxpayers Federation at a Glance**

Federally incorporated not-for-profit (1990)

Mission: Lower taxes. Less waste. Accountable government.

2014/15 Supporters: 89,163

2014/15 Revenues: \$4.7 million

2014/15 Donations: 30,552

Staff: 20 Field Service: 70

Represented in Regina (Admin Office), Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, Halifax, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria



# Ten Things I've Learned About Fundraising



1.



### 1. Ask



## 2. Diversify



# 3. Small Dollars More Important than Big Dollars



# 4. Donations Enrich the Donor as Much as They Enrich You



## 5. Never Sacrifice Mission for Dollars



6.



# 6. Not Just About Dollars



7.



### 7. Pick a Fight



## Under Promise,Over Achieve



9.



### 9. Take Risks

"If you're not prepared to be wrong, you'll never be creative."



"The best experiments are experiments on purpose, They are done with rigor and intent. They probe. They measure. They fail on purpose. And when they find something that works, they hand the knowledge off to operators and executors who can scale their work."

-Seth Godin



#### 10. Stewardship



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| 8%  | Can't afford                                       |
| 8%  | No information on how donation was used            |
| 9%  | Don't remember giving (donors not differentiating) |
| 16% | Death  |
| 18% | Poor service/communication                         |
| 36% | Other organizations are more deserving             |



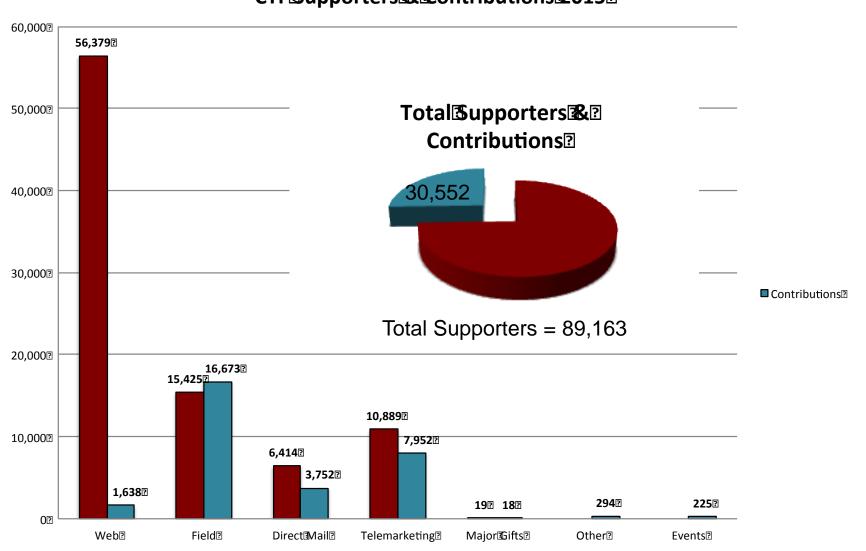
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24% can't control; 76% can control



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