Beyond Word-merge Creating a custom gift receipt process

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About VCU

BBCRM Stats

- Went live in 2015
- 1 year conversion, from a 30 year old system
- Slow process for end user adoption of CRM
- Best-practice implementation

VCU Stats

- 31,000 students
- 190,000 living alumni
- 5 associated Foundations
- Approaching the end of our "Make it Real" campaign

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Overview

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Receipting history

Pre-CRM

- Complex custom Crystal Report with constant updates over 6 years
- Was not feasible to replicate in CRM using out-of-box functionality

CRM Go-Live

- Basic receipting by foundation using CRM Word Merge
- Campaign branding and content on all receipts, regardless of designation
- Lots of manual review for special exceptions
- Word merge would not account for hierarchy of gift splits and other intricacies

Goals of project

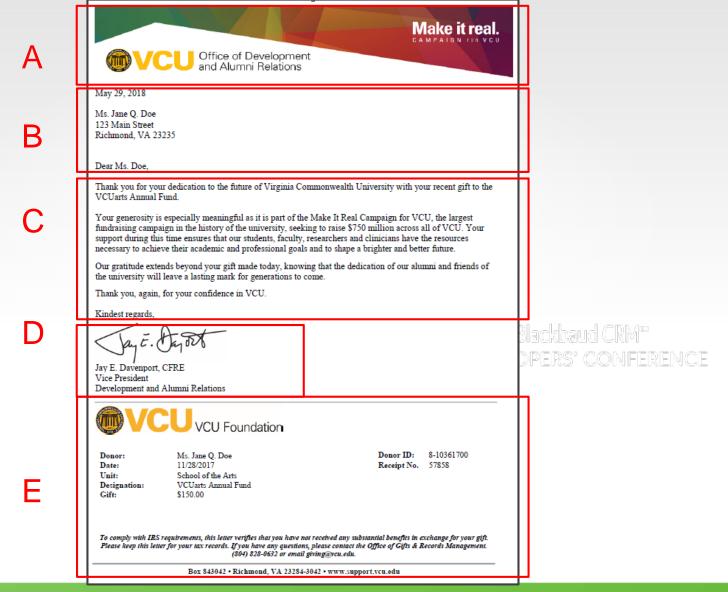
- Maintain an IRS compliant gift receipt
- Allow for Schools and Units to create custom content and branding
- Allow for some units to be exempt from campaign branding
- Keep CRM receipt number and receipt info on revenue record
- Provide proofing queues for our stewardship office to facilitate review
- Ensure offline and online receipts stayed in sync DEVELOPERS' CONFERENCE
- Keep everything on 1 page

Content Management

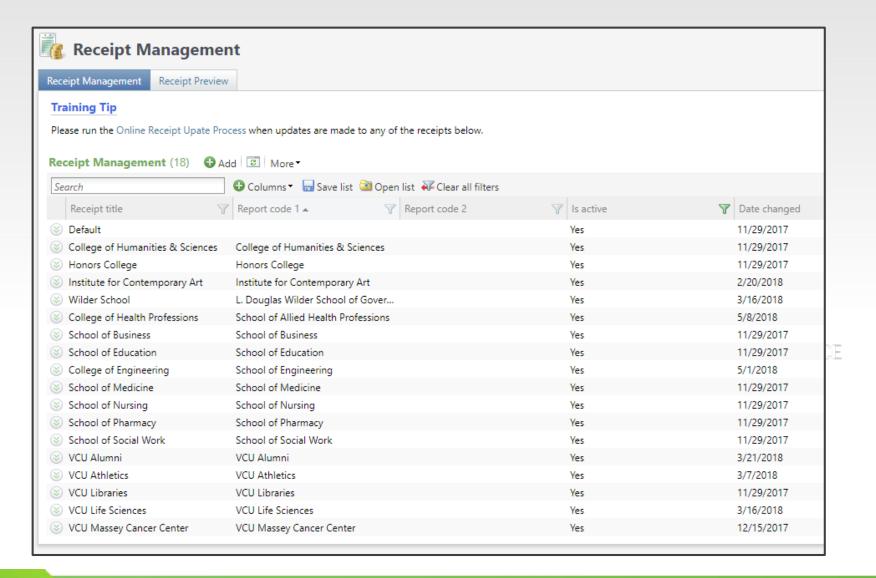
Content Management

- Give stewardship office ability to manage content using limited merge fields
- Editable content regions
- Future compatibility with tribute gifts
- Create versioning of receipts as needed

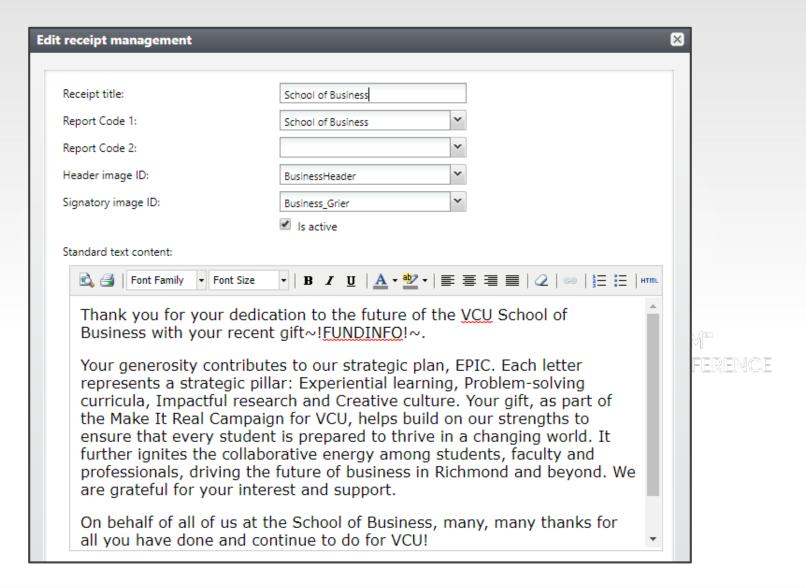
Blackbaud CRM[®] DEVELOPERS' CONFERENCE Evaluate content areas of receipt



List Builder to show different receipt versions



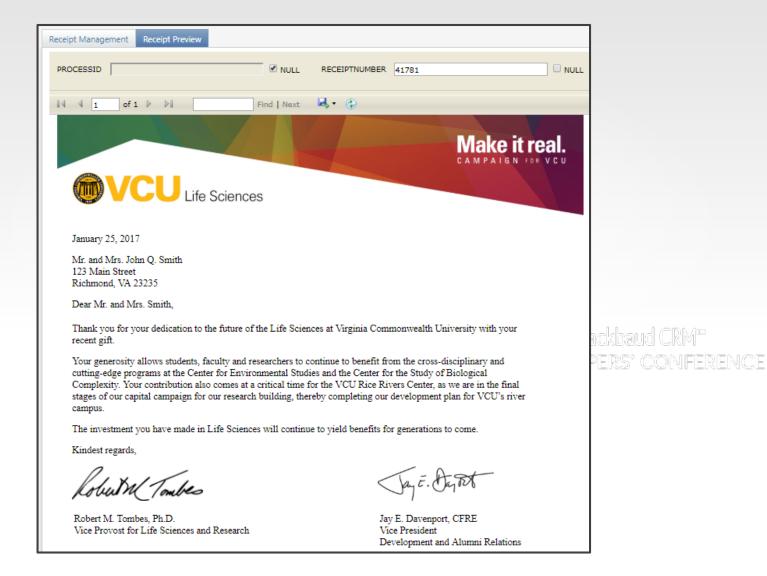
HTML editor for content edits



Implementation of the HTML editor in UI Model

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_standardTextContent = new HtmlField
{
    Name = "STANDARDTEXTCONTENT",
    Caption = "Standard text content"
};
this.Fields.Add(_standardTextContent);
```

Preview



Receipt Report

SSRS Report

- Goal: to automate a majority of receipts, not possible to do all
- Lots of formatting challenges with export to word and PDF (spacing and font sizing)
- Stewardship office still needs to make manual edits to some receipts
- With lots of dynamic formatting and content, did most of the calculations in SQL

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Dynamic content



Donor: Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Smith

Date: 3/27/2018

Unit: School of Business

Designation: School of Business Annual Fund

Gift: \$125.00

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Partial Gifts

Gifts

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Donor ID:

Receipt No.:

@VCUHealth.

Donor: Mr. John Q. Smith RN

8-10807079

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Date: 2/27/2018

Unit: VCU Health System

Designation: Trauma Gala Fund

Gift: \$150.00 Goods & Services: \$100.00

Deductible: \$50.00

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Dynamic content

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VCUHealth.

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Date: 12/31/2017

Unit: VCU Massey Cancer Center

Designation: Massey Cancer Center

Gift: \$100.00

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Anonymous gifts

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Donor: Dr. and Mrs. John Q. Smith Donor ID: 8-10308537

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Date: 1/31/2018

Unit: School of Medicine

Designation: Medicine Annual Fund

Gift: \$2,000.00

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Date: 12/31/2017

School of Business Unit:

School of Business Annual Fund Designation:

Gift: \$5,000.00

School of Business Unit:

Designation: EPIC Fund Gift: \$1,000.00 \$6,000.00 Total:

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Split gifts

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Date: 12/31/2017

School of Medicine Unit:

Department of Internal Medicine Designation:

Gift: \$500.00

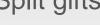
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Pauley Heart Center Campaign Fund Designation:

Gift: \$500.00 Total: \$1,000.00

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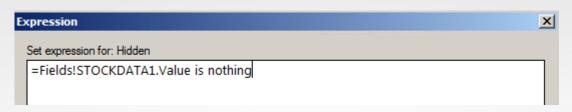


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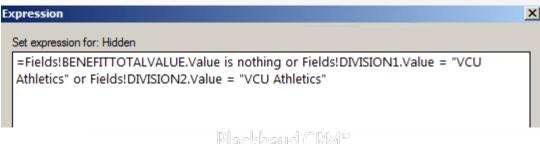
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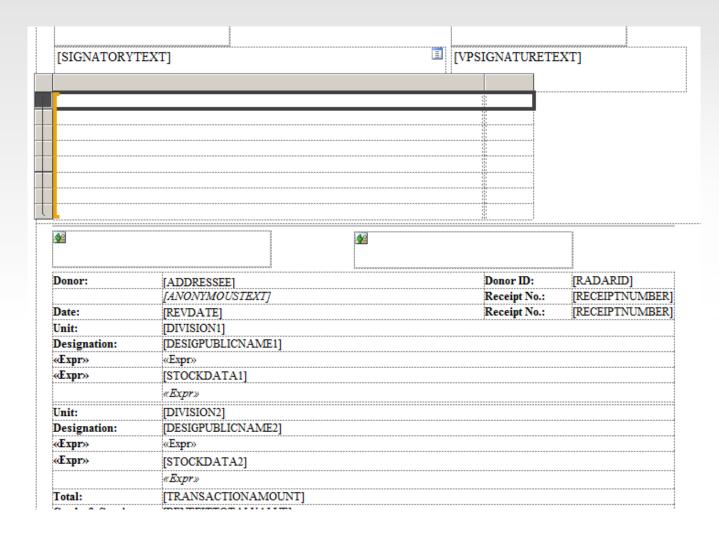


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 Date:
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 Unit:
 VCU Athletics

Designation: VCU Ram Athletic Fund

Amount: \$7,500.00

The Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017 amended Section 170(l) of the Internal Revenue Code to state that no deduction shall be allowed for an amount paid to an institution of higher education when "the taxpayer receives (directly or indirectly) as a result of paying such amount the right to purchase tickets for seating at an athletic event in an athletic stadium of such institution." As this is a newly passed bill, if you have any questions as to the deductibility of this transaction, please consult your tax advisor. If you do not purchase tickets, the entire gift may be tax-deductible and you will receive an end of year tax letter. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Gifts & Records Management, (804) 828-0632 or email giving@vcu.edu.

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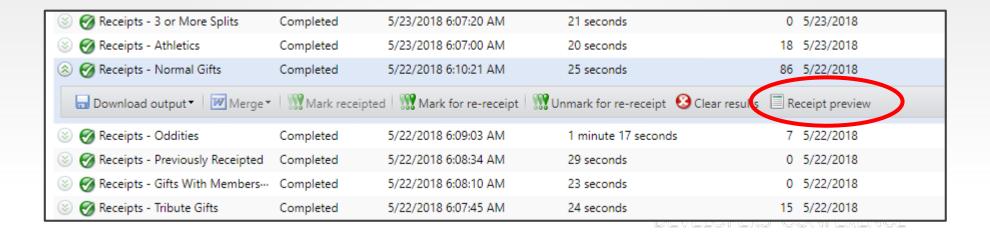
Implementation

Receipt processes

- Athletics transactions/ gifts
- 3 or more splits
- Tribute gifts
- Gifts with membership payments
- Gifts that were previously receipted
- "Oddities"
- Normal gifts



Add the report to the receipt process page



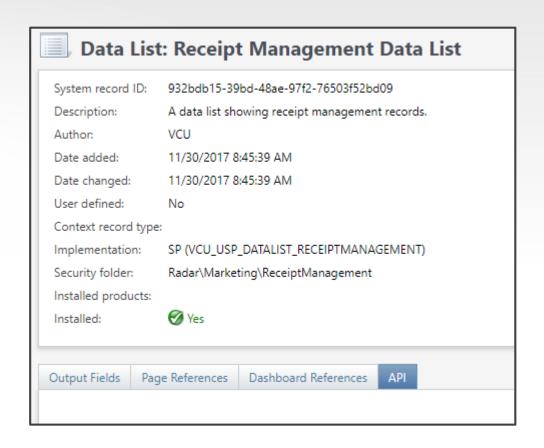
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Online Giving

- Updated the homegrown online giving platform to utilize the custom receipt templates
- Easy sync process when changes are made



Results

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- Donors get a much more personalized receipt with branding and acknowledgement wording specific to their area of support
- Unit stewardship offices can focus on acknowledging higher-level gifts
- Flexible receipt framework for managing updates and changes

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It now takes less time to process receipts, even though we have a more dynamic receipting process, including the new challenges with athletics receipting.

Challenges

Lessons learned

- SSRS is not predictable between export formats when dealing with tight spacing
- For ongoing maintenance it's easier to do more of the logic in SQL rather than SSRS expressions
- Needed clear policy on how to receipt split gifts between multiple foundations
- Embedded images in SSRS created a large file size and Reporting Services Web.Config required an update:

Formatting challenges with SSRS

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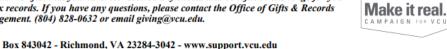
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