

Engaging Foundation Boards and Major Donors in Advocacy

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AGENDA

- Value of Engaging your Board Members and Donors
- "Breaking Through the Noise"
- Power of your Network
- Winning Strategies:
 - Step 1: Identifying Powerful Audiences
 - Step 2: Recruiting Stakeholders
 - Step 3: Engaging Policymakers



BROADENING YOUR FOCUS

• Your Foundation Board and major donors are advocacy assets!

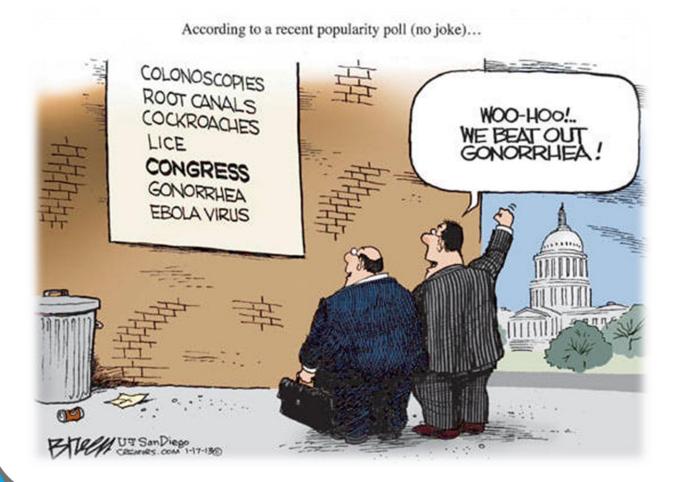




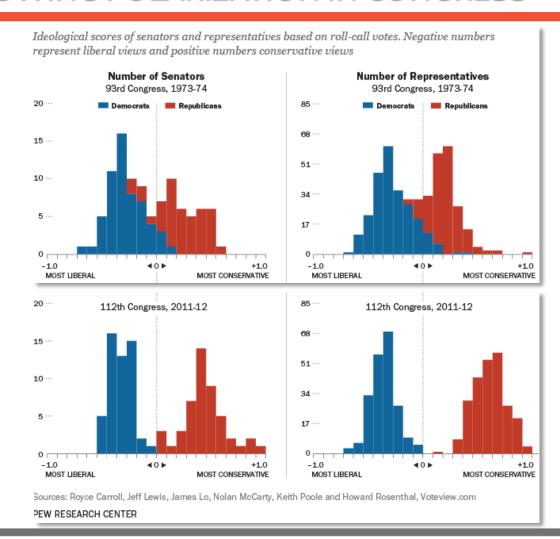




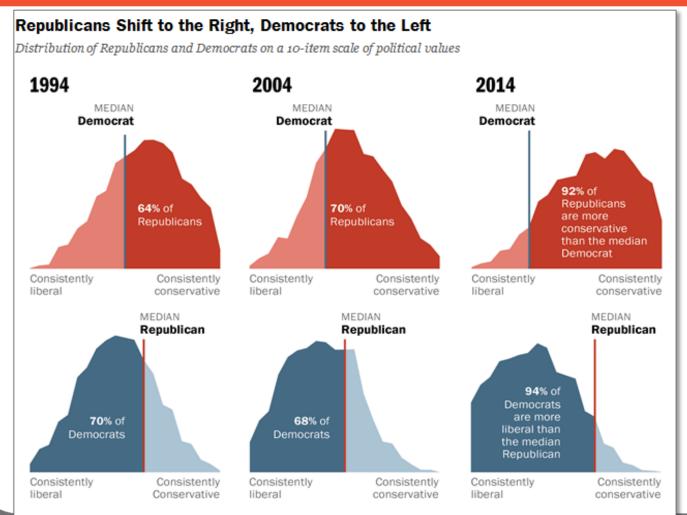
CONGRESS TODAY



THE GROWING POLARIZATION IN CONGRESS



THE GROWING POLARIZATION AMONG AMERICANS





Notes: Ideological consistency based on a scale of 10 political values questions (see Appendix A). Republicans include Republican-leaning independents; Democrats include Democratic-leaning independents (see Appendix B).

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THE CHALLENGES

24 Hr News Cycle 1,440 Minutes Per Day













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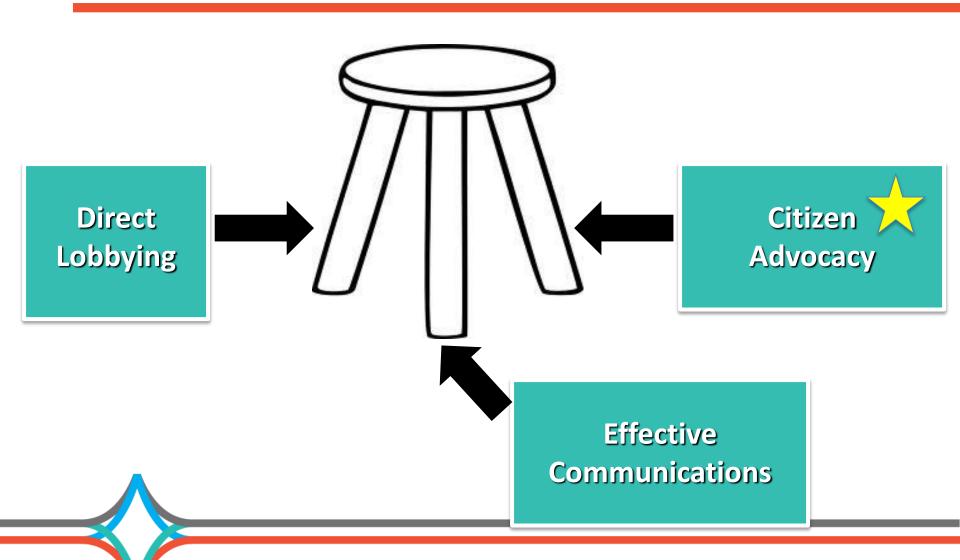




THE COMPETITION



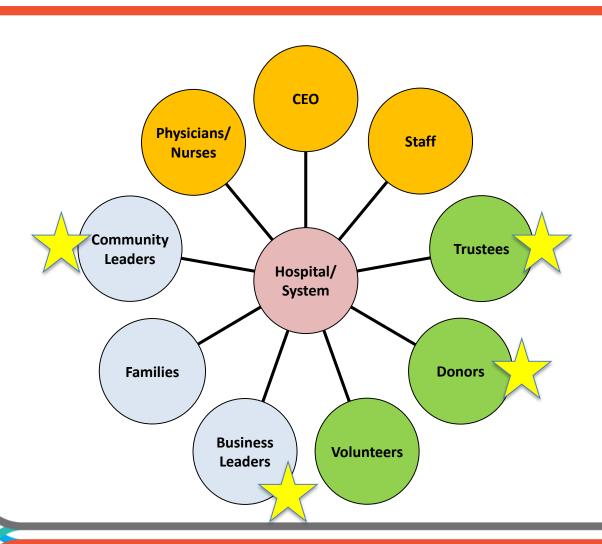
BREAKING THROUGH THE NOISE: TOOLS OF ENGAGEMENT



THE POWER OF THE ESSENTIAL HOSPITAL NETWORK



HOSPITAL STAKEHOLDERS



STEP 1: IDENTIFY POWERFUL AUDIENCES

- Foundation Board members

- Donors \(\)
- Senior hospital management
- **Board** members
- **Physicians**
- **Business Community**
- Faith- Based Leaders
- Nurses
- Former elected officials



IDENTIFY KEY CONTACTS



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STEP 2: RECRUITING STAKEHOLDERS

- Organize Public Policy Committee
 - Board/Foundation Board
 - Hand Select Committee
 - Kitchen Cabinet
- One-on-One Outreach
- Ongoing Updates



RECRUITING STAKEHOLDERS

Simple message to potential stakeholders:

- I understand you...
 - Know candidate X
 - Have donated to policy maker Z
- Are you willing to...
 - Make a phone call
 - Send a letter
- I will only ask when it really matters





STEP 3: ENGAGING POLICYMAKERS

- Engage candidates running in '14 and newly elected officials
 - Send Packet
 - Invite them for meeting/tour
 - Use <u>stakeholders</u> to help
- Meetings with candidates and newly elected officials
 - Bring <u>stakeholders</u>
- Hospital Visits/Tours
 - Involve stakeholders





ENGAGING POLICYMAKERS

Simple Message:

"I am a supporter of ---- hospital, one of several hundred of America's essential hospitals around the country that provides high quality care for all, including the most vulnerable people, and I hope we can count on your support."

Host Town Hall Meetings





ULTIMATE GOAL: DEMONSTRATING YOUR POWER



LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP

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