

2 2 2 5 MARKETING, FUNDRAISING, PRINT, and MAIL PLANNING CHECKLIST

Planning ahead ensures your marketing and fundraising efforts are seamless and effective.

Use this checklist to set yourself up for success in 2025:

Set Clear Goals

- Define your marketing and fundraising objectives for 2025.
- Identify key performance indicators (KPIs) to measure success.
- Establish a timeline for achieving your goals.

Budget Preparation

- Allocate funds for marketing, print, and mailing projects.
- Factor in additional costs for digital campaigns, analytics tools, and unexpected needs.

Data Review and Segmentation

- Update and clean your contact lists.
- Segment your audience based on demographics, behavior, and interests.
- Identify opportunities for personalized communications.

Content Strategy

- Plan content themes and messaging for the year.
- Outline your campaign calendar, including direct mail, email, and digital components.
- Prepare content for key fundraising seasons (e.g., spring appeals, year-end giving).

Creative and Design Prep

- Refresh branding elements if needed.
- Plan for the design of key materials, such as brochures, postcards, flyers, and social media graphics.
- Ensure designs align with your campaign themes and target audience preferences.

Print and Mail Strategy

- Identify the printed materials needed for your campaigns.
- Coordinate with your print and mail provider to reserve production slots.
- Explore options for variable data printing to enhance personalization.

Omnichannel Integration

- Plan how to integrate direct mail with digital channels like email, social media, and ads.
- Set up retargeting campaigns to reinforce messaging across platforms.
- Use QR codes or PURLs to bridge print and digital experiences.

Timeline and Production Schedule

- Establish deadlines for creative, printing, and mailing.
- Account for holidays and busy seasons to avoid delays.
- Work backward from campaign launch dates to ensure timely execution.

Testing and Optimization

• Plan A/B tests for mail and digital campaigns.

- Use analytics to monitor performance and make data-driven adjustments.
- Gather feedback from your team and audience for continuous improvement.

Partner with a Trusted Provider

- Collaborate with a partner like Wordsprint to handle all aspects of your campaigns.
- Take advantage of their expertise in print, mail, and omnichannel marketing.
- Schedule a consultation to ensure your 2025 plans are achievable and impactful.