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Jean's 10 Rules For Fundraising Success

- 1. Ask for what you want or take what you get.
- 2. Assume a Yes nod and smile leave plenty of white space.
- 3. If your prospect says yes immediately, you didn't ask for enough ... you can always negotiate down, but never up.
- 4. Never talk to the person who can say NO.
- 5. "No" won't make you shrivel and die. *Learn how to ask better the next time.*
- 6. Create opportunities have several options ready.
- 7. People give to people ask in person know your donor.
- 8. People want to back a winner.
- 9. You can't ask others to do what you haven't done ...Buy your ticket or make your contribution first.
- 10. Thank you ... Gracias ... Merci ... Danke ...*Make it timely and* make it meaningful

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The Secret of Money

All Sources of Money Have One Thing in Common – To Get It, You Have to Ask For It!

NO Won't Make You Shrivel and Die. 4 Things to Do:

- Say Thank You (for your time, your consideration, etc.)
- 2. Ask what you need to know to ask better next time.
- 3. Ask for a referral: "Now that you know who we are and what we have to offer, can you think of anyone else who might want to take advantage of this opportunity?
- 4. Ask how else might we collaborate? Inkind?

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Menu of FUNdraising Opportunities for Board Members

Grants, Sponsorships, Inkind, etc.

- Research your own and other company's giving programs.
- Provide testimonials, sign cover letters, etc.
- Write proposals and ask for sponsorships, underwriting.
- Solicit in-kind contributions of goods and services.

Annual Campaign, Direct Mail Campaign

- Make your gift first!
- Provide testimonials for letters.Write personal appeal letters to
- names in your contact list.
- Make an Internet Giving Page.
- Make thank you calls to donors.
- Make fundraising calls to donors and prospects.
- Host an event at your home or office.
- Underwrite the cost of the campaign (printing, postage, etc.)

Major Gifts Campaign

- Open doors for other Board members and staff.
- Make personal gift and ask others to match it.
- Accompany staff on calls.

Special Event

- Plan it! Organize it! Serve on the committee!
- Sell tickets. Buy tickets.
- Solicit auction items and other requirements.
- Solicit underwriting and sponsorships.

Planned Giving

- Make personal planned gift.
- Serve on Planned Giving Committee, solicit planned gifts.

Advocacy

 Contact lawmakers, testify, advocate!

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