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# Looking Forward

How Non-profits Can Emerge Stronger From Covid-19



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## Introduction



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## The Post-Covid World

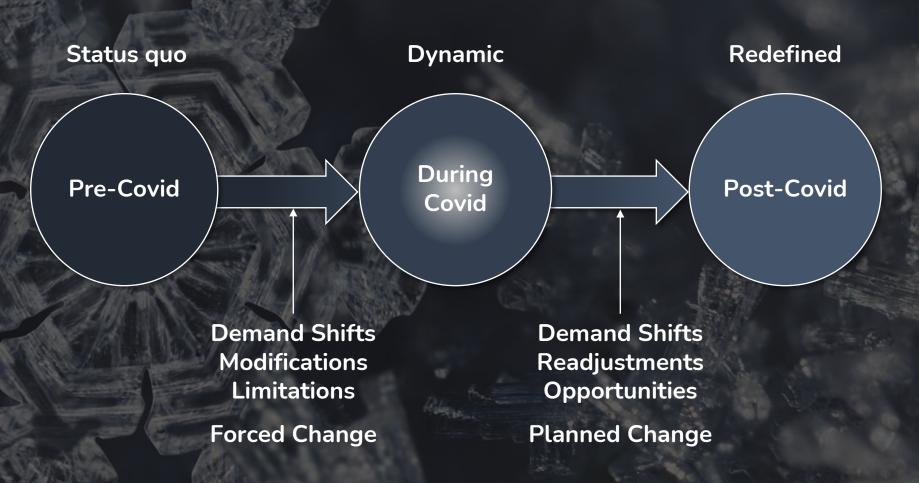




# Yesterday's Gone



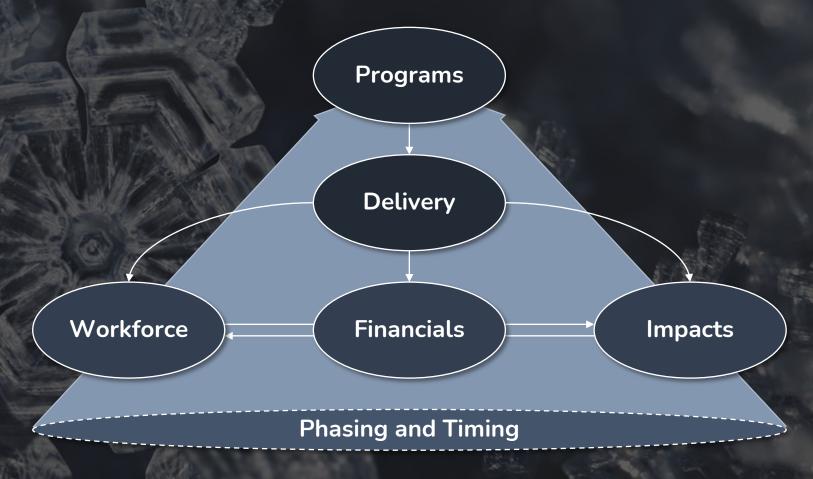
### The future's not where you started



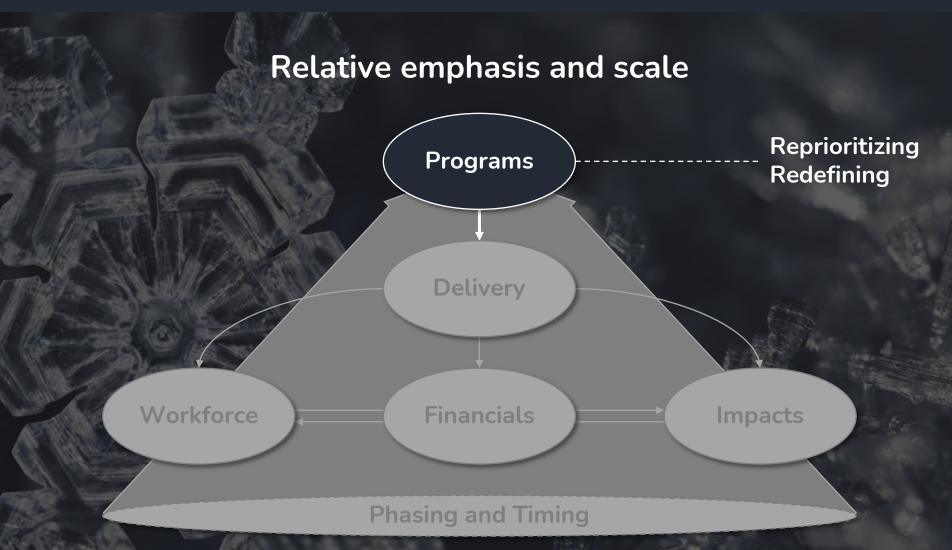
## **Elements of Change**



Areas for evaluation and decisions









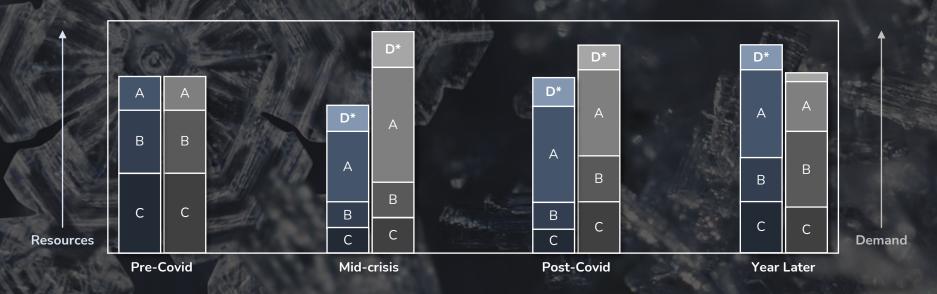
#### Situational review

- > Throughout Covid, demand has been dynamic
- > Client volume and needs changed quickly
- Non-profits adjusted services with the shifts:
  - Prioritized certain programs
  - Helped more people
  - Provided additional amounts
  - Launched new programs



### Demand-driven program profile

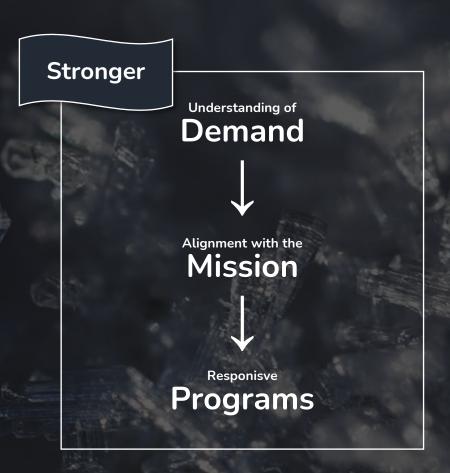
- > Change is likely to lag behind Covid-19 recovery
- > Regular "market" dynamics are also at work
- > Playing "catch-up" may result in an inappropriate mix



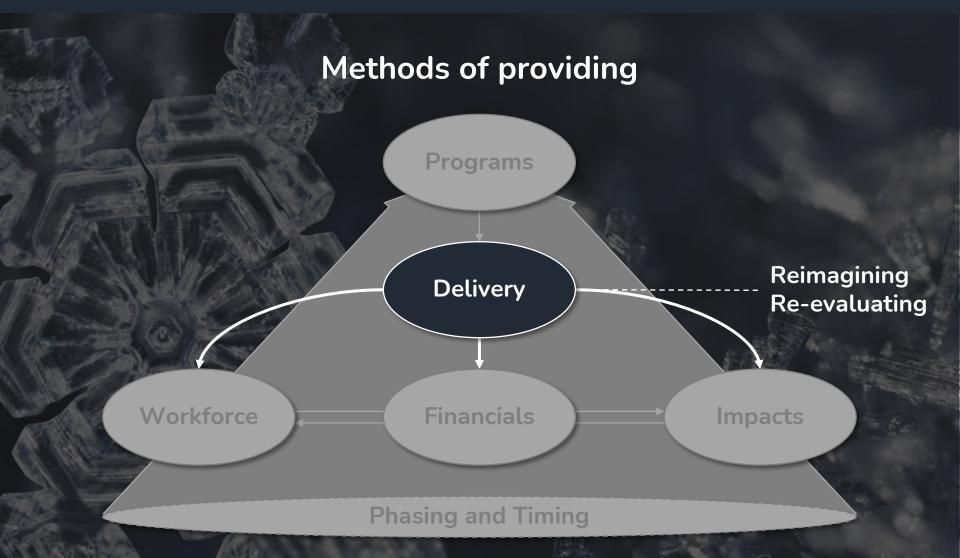


### Reprioritizing and redefining

- > Evolution of client needs
  - Specific services
  - Relative demand
- > Alignment with the mission
  - Core programs
  - Collaborations
- Program re-definition
  - Scope, extent, coverage
  - Resource distribution









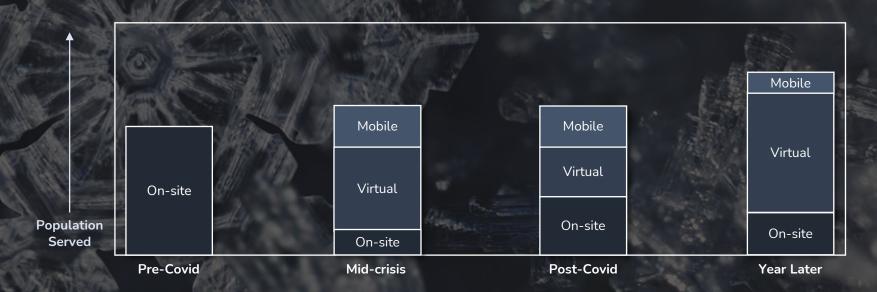
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- Service delivery changed during Covid-19
- > Conditions required immediate adaptations
- > Non-profits modified delivery in response:
  - Went "contactless"
  - Increased virtual interactions
  - Transitioned on-line
  - Introduced mobile services



#### **Efficiency and effectiveness**

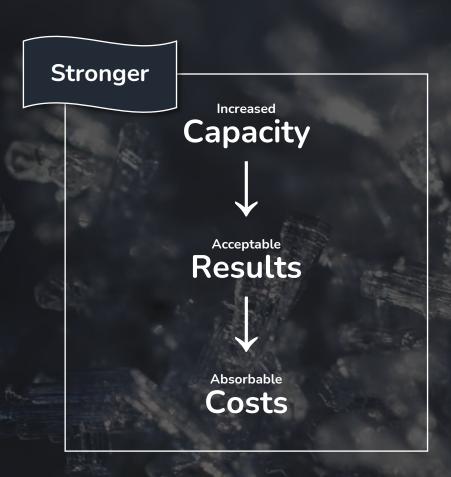
- > New methods have specific costs and benefits
- Clients may prefer new ways of interacting
- > Potential opportunities to serve more people





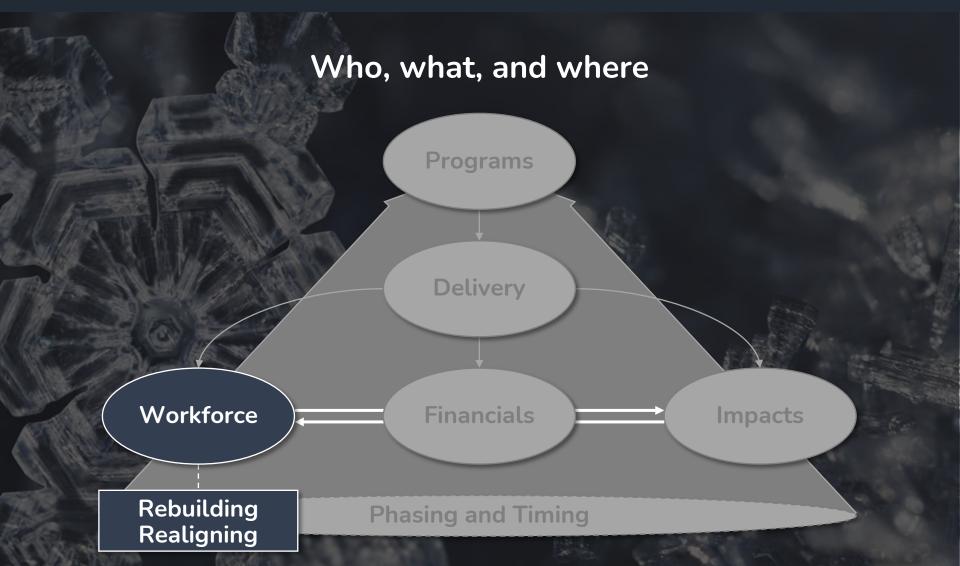
### Reimagining and re-evaluating

- Engagement
  - Likelihood of use
  - Expanse of access
- Cost-effectiveness
  - Program outcomes
  - Resource requirements
- Affordability
  - Infrastructure
  - Capital assets



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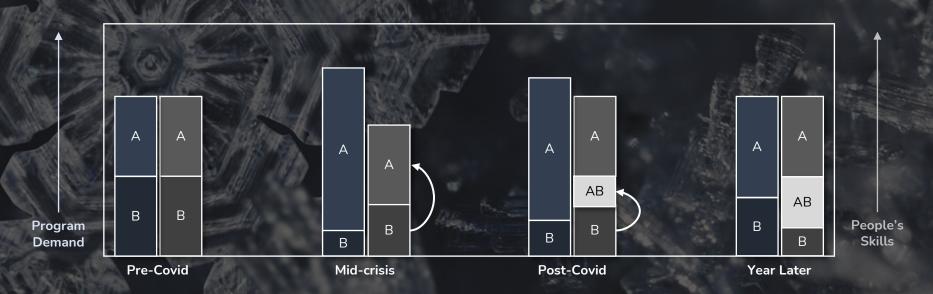
- > Covid-19 greatly affected staff and volunteers
- > Response time and resources were "limiting"
- Many workforce challenges emerged:
  - Employee furloughs
  - Remote workplace
  - Need for repurposing
  - Volunteer shortages

## **Element: Workforce**



### People and places

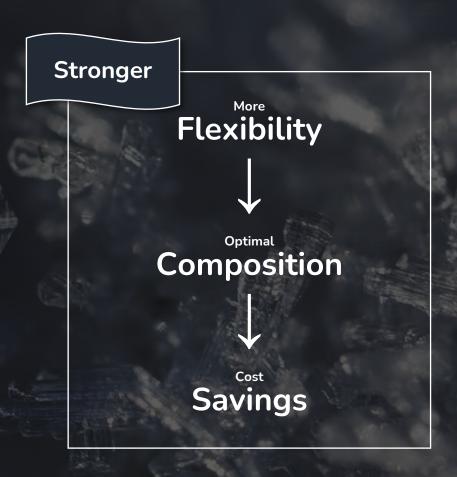
- > Returning workforce needs to be re-integrated
- "Virtual" can have both benefits and drawbacks
- > Composition may not be right for the future



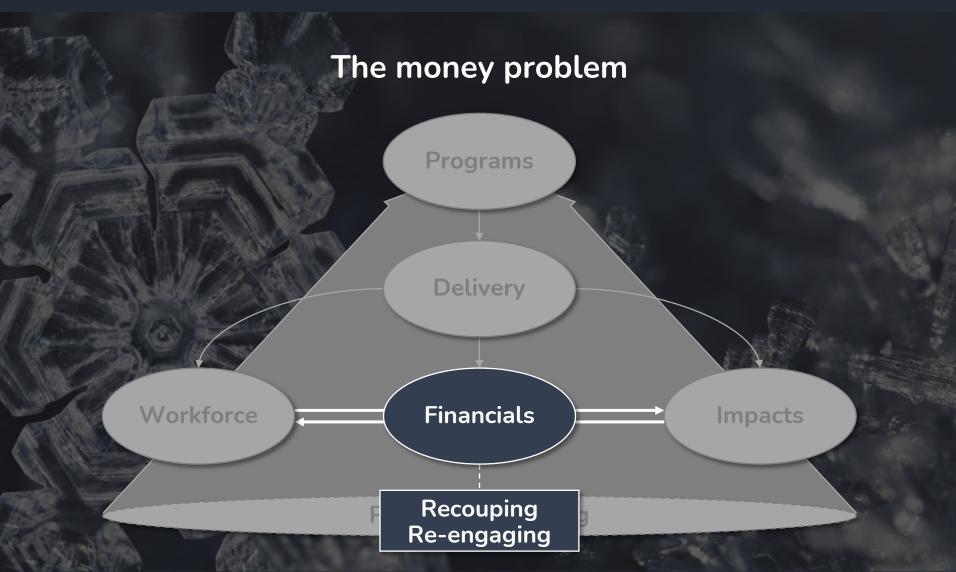


### Rebuilding and realigning

- Adaptation
  - Cross-training
  - Dynamic application
- Alignment
  - Reconfiguration
  - Long-term mix
- > Workplace
  - Environment impacts
  - Return on investment









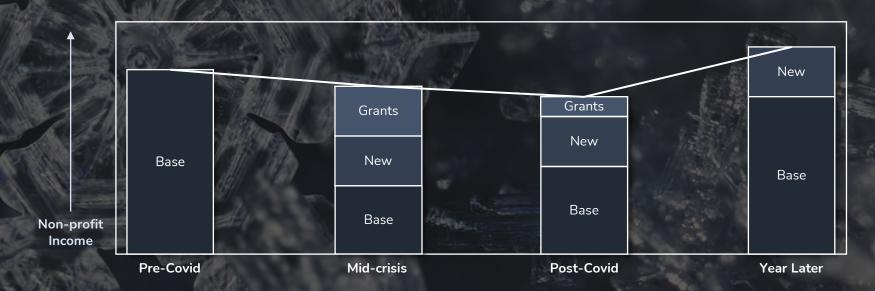
#### Situational review

- › Budgets have been significantly impacted
- > This was a crisis for many, at least initially
- Non-profits responded to challenges by:
  - Furloughing employees
  - Finding Covid-19 grants
  - Aggressively engaging donors
  - Taking sales on-line



### Monetary "ups" and "downs"

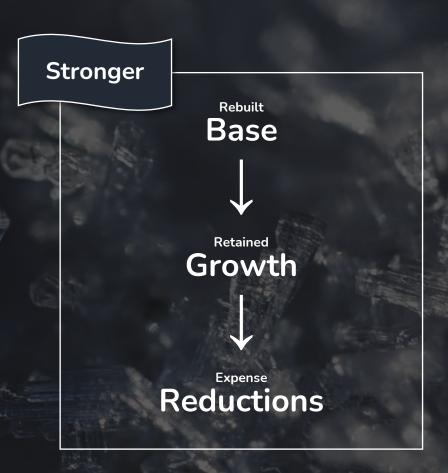
- > Economic conditions should gradually improve
- Covid-specific grants will come to an end
- > Expenses may go up, but efficiencies may be gained



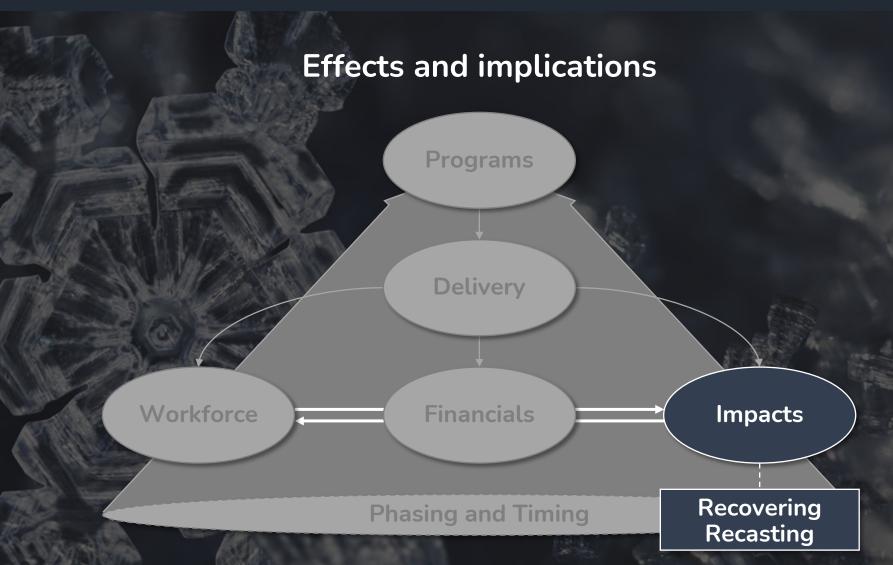


### Recouping and re-engaging

- Recommitment
  - Informed base
  - Other ways to help
- Retention and expansion
  - Money and advocacy
  - New grants
- Cost savings
  - Operational efficiencies
  - Facilities expenditures









#### Situational review

- > Covid-19 operations are full of risks
- Some non-profits have changed what they offer
- Organizations may be faced with:
  - Restoring client confidence
  - Addressing public perception
  - Informing clients and donors
  - Dealing with legal fallout



#### **Image matters**

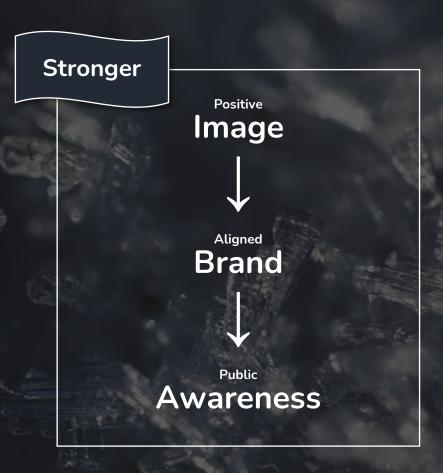
- > Problems can raise long-term public concerns
- > Shifts in focus may become permanent
- > Client reach will be more important than ever





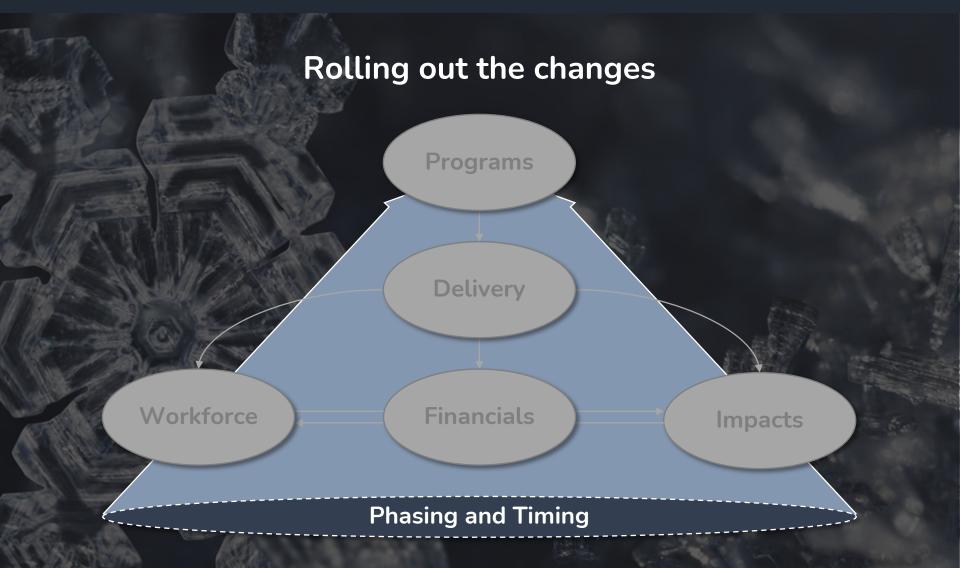
### Recovering and recasting

- Crisis management
  - Timely responses
  - Public relations
- Resetting expectations
  - Name, logo, tagline, etc.
  - Benefits and needs
- Proactive outreach
  - Donors, sponsors, clients
  - General population



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### Post-Covid isn't pre-Covid

- What will be different?
  - Dynamic demand conditions
  - Ways of "doing business"
- When should you "re-open?"
  - That's not the right question!
  - It's a question of "evolving"
- › How do you emerge?
  - Roll out and communicate changes
  - Build and realign resources

## Practical Actions



### Getting ready for what's next

**Evaluate** 

- What did we accomplish?
- > Did we advance our mission?
- > What changes were most effective?
- > What adaptations were efficient?

Ask

- > How can we do better for clients?
- > How do clients want to access us?
- > What does the public know?
- What are other non-profits doing?

Ideate

- How can we increase our value?
- > What changes should we retain?
- > How can we increase net income?
- > Are there ways to collaborate?

Prepare

- Cross-train and realign jobs
- > Start building your infrastructure
- > Talk to current donors and sponsors
- > Initiate collaborative discussions

Strategy

## Wrap-up



#### **Questions and Comments**

- > What questions do you have?
- > How is your non-profit getting ready for post-Covid?
- What is one key thing you learned today?

#### Find out more!

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Practical Considerations for Non-profits During Covid-19

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#### Fun Facts About Snowflake

- > Launched in **2014** by former "Big 4" professionals
- > Certified B Corporation® since 2017

#### **Mission**

"Help organizations transform lives and communities."

- > Strategy, Organization, People, and Marketing
- Over 35 clients across sectors and industries



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