

# Donations and Pledges Part 1

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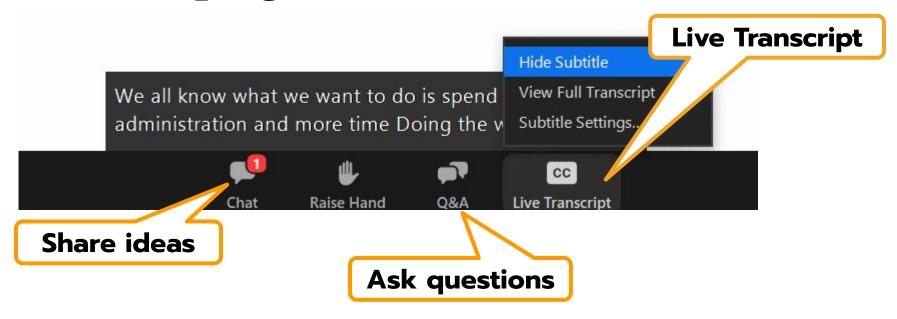
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#### **BLOOMERANG**

## Built for purpose

Giving platform designed to improve fundraising outcomes

Easy-to-use tech, built for you

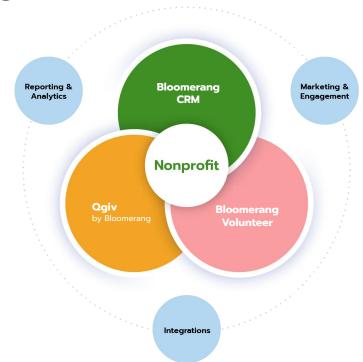
Industry leading solutions

Insights that lead to better results

Engagement that inspires giving

Increase fundraising revenue

Automate and simplify day-to-day





**VALUE** 

### Raise more

Engagement quality increases, effort decreases, and giving soars!

**30**%

Higher overall donation page conversion rates.

\$108

Average recurring gift, 4x the industry average.

15%

Increase in donor base year-over-year.

\$180

Average one-time gift, 50% higher than the industry average.

**25**%

Increase in recurring donor conversion rate.

**26**%

Increase in dollars raised year-over-year.



# Donations and Pledges: What will we cover today?

#### Terms

- What is the difference between raised funds vs. revenue?
- What is a donation vs. a recurring donation?
- What's a pledge versus a pledge payment?
- What is a soft credit and how is it used?
- Gift Entry-Setting it up
  - User Permissions
  - Custom fields
  - Payment Processor
  - Auto receipts
- Processes for adding and editing a donation
- Transaction Reporting Basics



## **Terms**







New Pledge

New Recurring Donation

New Membership

New Interaction

New Task

**New Note** 

New Relationship



#### **Donation** = one-time payment

**Pledge** = a promise to pay at some point in the future, either one-time or multiple payments

**Recurring Donation** = set up automatic payments on a schedule

\*all donations and pledges are **raised funds until they are in hand**; **revenue** is dollars you have already received

Transaction Type	Raised	Revenue
Donation	V	<b>V</b>
Pledge	V	
Pledge Payment		<b>V</b>
Recurring Donation Schedule		
Recurring Donation Payment	V	<b>V</b>
Soft Credit/In-kind		

#### \* bloomerang

#### Handy chart:

Donations and Recurring Donation Payments can be either depending on where they are in the process.

A *Pledge* becomes a *Pledge Payment* once the donation is in hand. That is the moment it switches from Raised to Revenue.

A Recurring Donation Schedule is just the list of dates when the donation is to occur and is neither Raised nor Revenue.

Soft Credit and In-kind will be examined on the next slide.

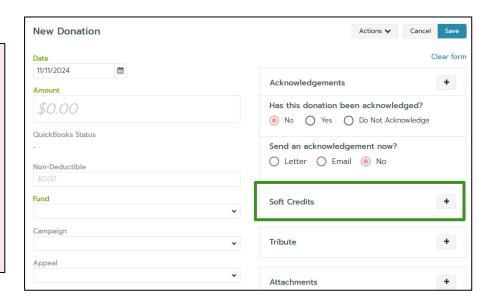


#### Soft Credit and In-kind

#### A different type of entry

<u>Soft credits</u> in Bloomerang are used to give a constituent credit for a donation, even though another constituent *actually* gave the money. For instance:

- When a donor's employer matches their gift
- When a donor recommends a grant from their Donor Advised Fund (DAF)
- When a donor gives through a third party (such as United Way, or family foundations)

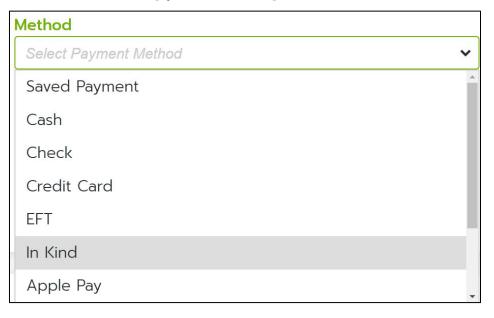


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<u>In-kind donations</u> are gifts of goods or services. Some examples of in-kind gifts include:

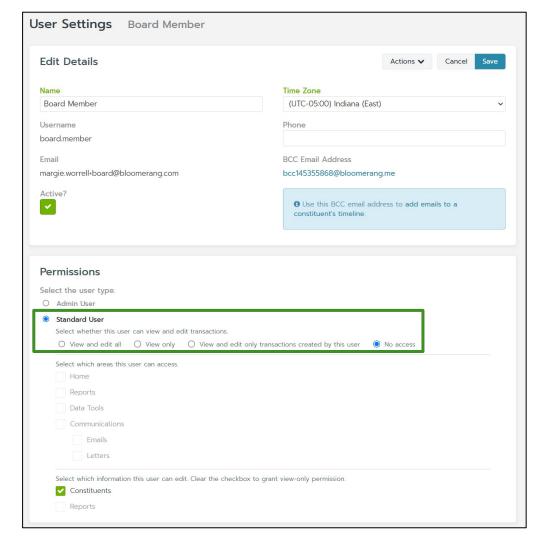
- An IT company donates refurbished computers and peripherals to an organization (goods)
- An attorney provides her service to write a legal document (services)
- Businesses donate gift baskets to a silent auction (goods)

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Gift Entry-Setting it up



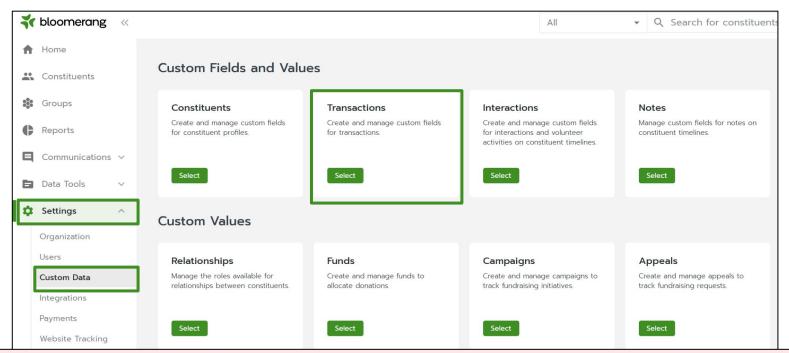




# Who can enter gifts?

It is up to you! Your system administrator can set permissions which allow or do not allow access to transactions.





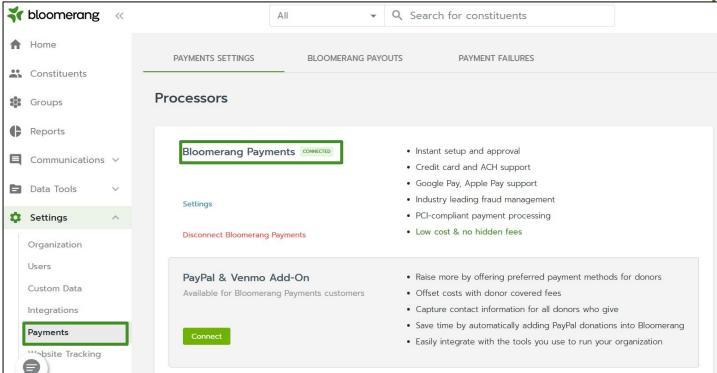
You can create custom fields for your transaction entries or for use with Bloomerang Forms.





Custom fields will depend on your use case. How do you use custom fields for transactions currently?





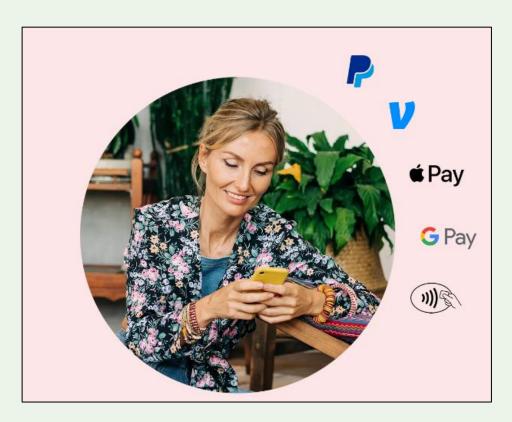
You need to set up payment processor if you would like to accept online payments. We recommend Bloomerang Payments for several reasons.



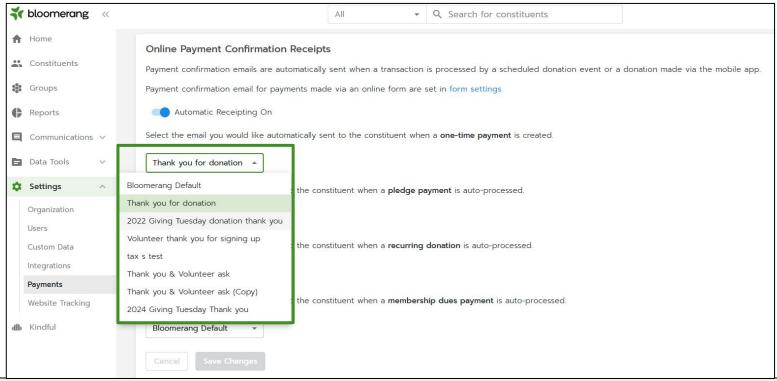
## **Not all Payment Processors Are the Same**

#### Why Bloomerang Payments?

- Stop chasing down outdated cards
- Pay less on fees
- Feel confident in security
- Eliminate data entry
- Everything is linked together
  - Mobile app
  - Receipting
  - Acknowledgements
  - Reporting
- Award-winning support
- Offer digital wallet options to your donors
- Unlock Tap-to-pay for quick donation options







Set up your online payment confirmation receipts to save time. Use the default email or make your own transaction email and use that!



#### **Funds**

(only field of the three required in Bloomerang)

Funds are the big buckets of money

**PRO TIP:** Set up your funds to mimic your finance/accounting system. This makes record-keeping easier!

Money is going to that specific bucket.

This is usually going to be funding areas that span multiple years.

#### **Examples:**

- Unrestricted
- Program
- Scholarships



### **Campaigns**

Campaigns are specific, overarching fundraising efforts

Campaigns are defined by the **financial goal and date range**. The date range could span an extended period of time depending on the type of campaign.

- Have a financial goal
- Have a specific date range
- Examples:
  - Annual Campaign
  - Capital Campaign
  - LARGE Events



### **Appeals**

Appeals are a specific request for funds

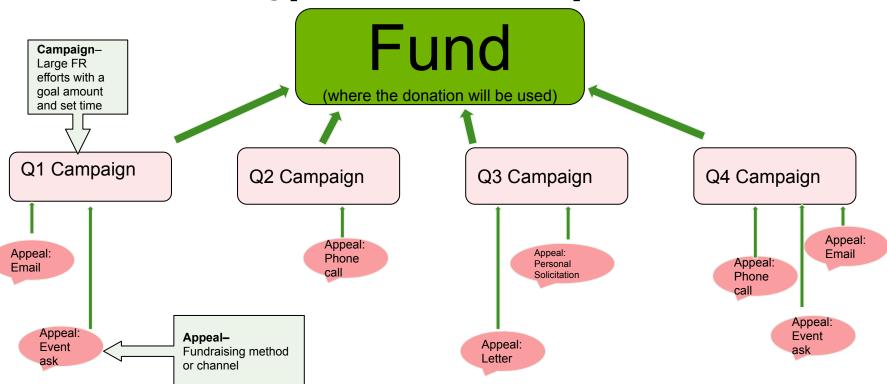
WHY RECORD THIS? This info will help you see which types of funding requests have been most successful in the past.

#### **Examples:**

- Spring Appeal
- Major Gift Ask
- Personal Solicitation
- Event Sponsorships

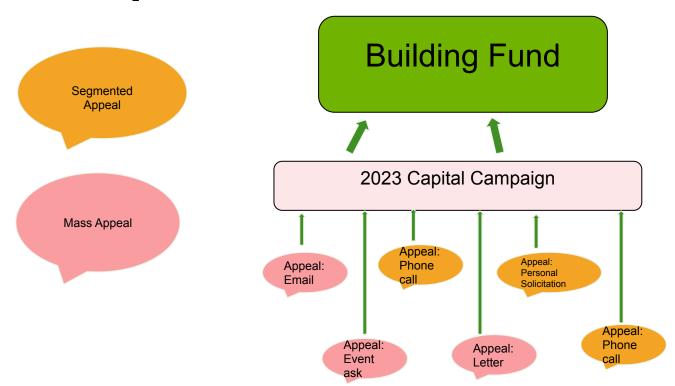


## Visual of the typical relationship



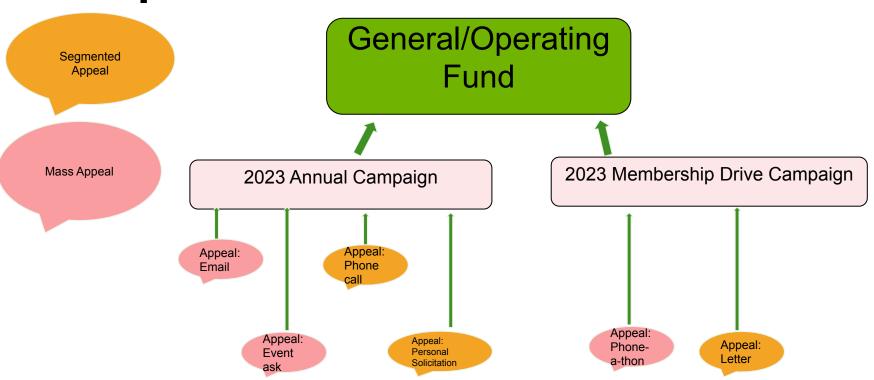


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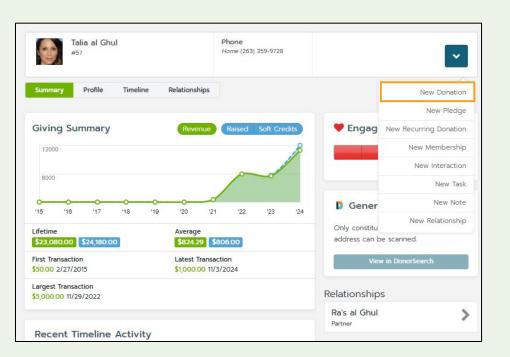




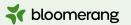


## **Typical Donation Entry**

Most of the time this is the process you will use for one-off donations.



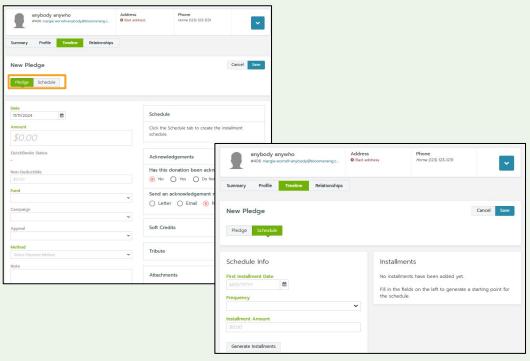
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## **Typical Pledge Entry**

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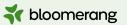
## **Typical Recurring Donation Entry**

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recurring donation.

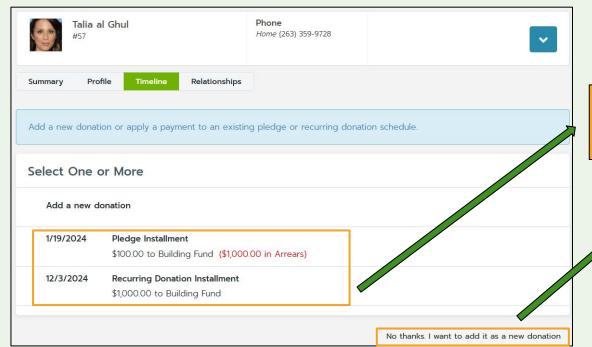


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Appeal			
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Method			
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	⊚ No	O Yes O Do Not Acknow	ledge
	Send a	n acknowledgement now?	
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## For Pledge & Recurring Donation Entry

Once you have a pledge/recurring schedule set, any donation you enter trigger this window.



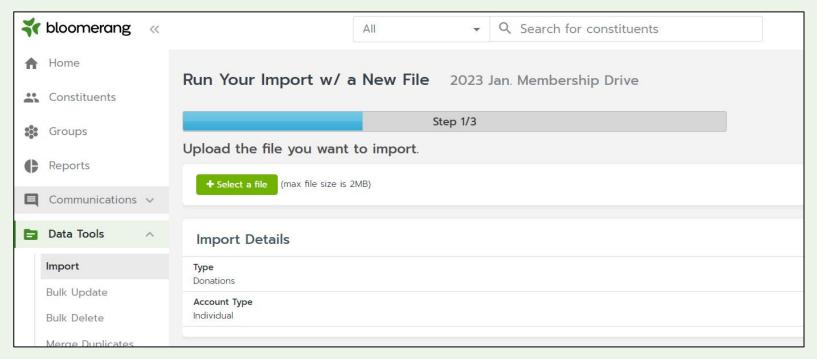
Click here to apply the donation to the pledge/recurring payment.

Click here to make this a one-off donation not connected to the pledge/recurring payment.



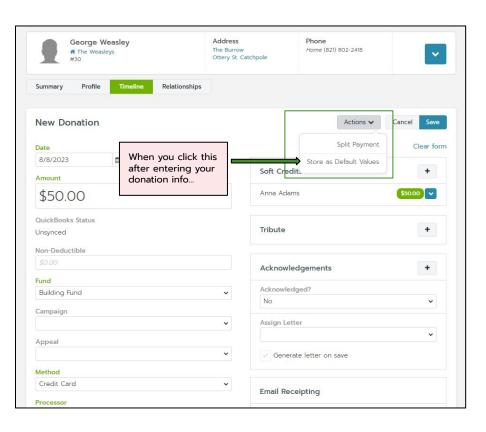
## **Typical Transaction Import**

To import in bulk. Need first name, last name, date, amount and fund at the minimum.

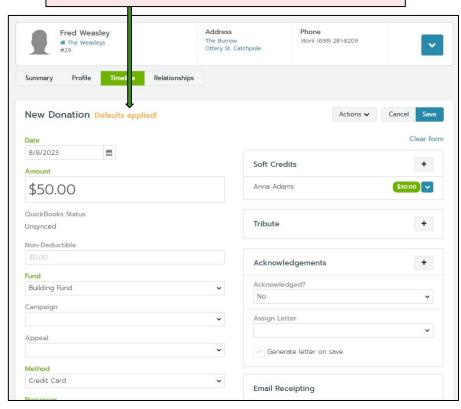




## **Rapid Gift Entry**



...the next donation will automatically fill in with the default fields (see next slide for details on fields).





## **Details on Rapid Gift Entry fields**

Fill in the values that you'd like to store as default. The following donation fields may be stored as defaults:

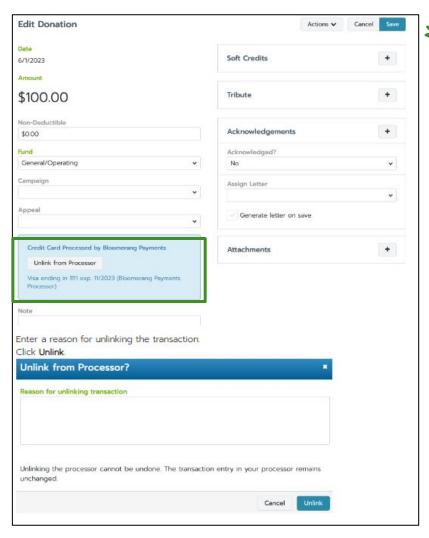
- Date. If the date is left blank, it will default to the current date.
- Amount
- Non-Deductible
- Fund
- Campaign
- Appeal
- Method. Details on various payment methods (for example, Check Date) are not stored as defaults.
- Note
- Soft Credits
- Tribute
- Acknowledgements
- Custom Fields

Click Store as Default Values and then click Save.



# Unlinking a transaction from a payment processor

Allows you to make corrections to a payment that has already been processed.







## **Transaction Reporting**





## **Transaction Report Basics**

Build a report from scratch

Or

Start from a template

Anytime you create a report, you will select from building or using a template.

Many of the templates you see here could be a great starting point for transaction reports you would like to run.



Revenue from individual donors who have given every year from 2019 to 2023

#### Top Donors

Donors ranked by total revenue over the last 2 years

#### Newest Donors

First-time donors from the last 90 days

#### Monthly Donors

Donors with an active recurring gift schedule, or 12+ gifts in the last 365 days

#### A High Potential Donors

Donors with both a high engagement score and a high generosity score

#### Call List Template

Default columns and filters to include in any call list. Just add your own criteria for who to call!

#### LYBUNT

Constituents who gave last fiscal year but not this fiscal year

#### SYBUNT

Constituents who gave some fiscal year but not this fiscal year

#### Downgrades

Constituents who gave less this fiscal year than last fiscal year

#### Household Averages

Average raised this fiscal year and last fiscal year by household

#### **Pledge Reminders**

Pledges with a payment due next

#### One-Time Donors

Constituents who have only given

#### Pledge Details

Outstanding pledges with pledge payments to date

#### **M** Online Donations

Donations received from online

#### # Employer Relationships

Employees grouped by their employer

#### Projected Cash Flow

Pledges and Recurring Donations with projected revenue this fiscal year

#### Year-End Tax Report (Revenue)

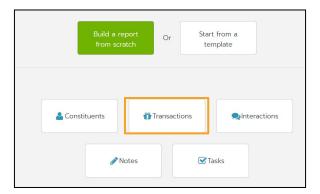
Prior-year revenue gifts from donors who gave at least \$250 total last year

#### Year-End Tax Report (In Kind)

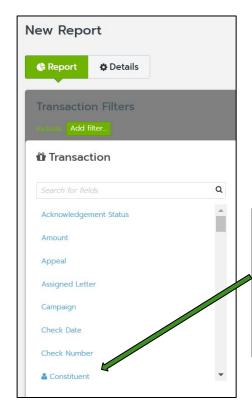
All in kind gifts from the previous calendar year.



### **Transaction Report Basics**



If you build from scratch, you will likely select a Transaction Report. This will give you access to the Transaction Filters.



You are still able to access Constituent Filters in this area as well. Create the filters that hone in on what you want to see.



Let's go into Bloomerang!





## Thanks for joining!

More tools and resources to help you grow.

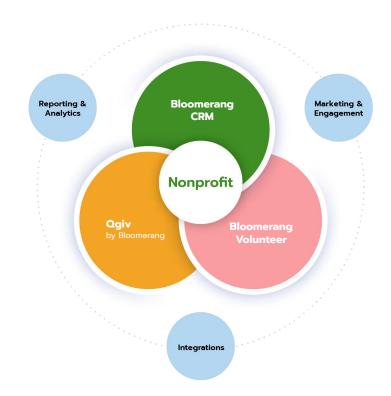
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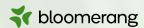






## **Questions?**





## Thank you!

