Building Engagement Through Powerful Storytelling

Engaging stories build connections with your **audience**. Once your audience is engaged they are more likely to become **involved**.

What makes an engaging story?

- People Who are you telling a story about?
- Problems What makes this person unique?
- Solutions How did they overcome the problem?
- Newsworthy events How does the event stand out?
- Visuals What image best illustrates your story?



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Here are a few ways to share a story:

- Photos Select images that make your story come to life
- Newsletter articles Use individual stories to highlight critical issues
- Social media posts Repurpose your stories and images to share on the social web
- Infographics Use data and graphics to make information more visual
- Videos Combine the elements of storytelling to create a moving visual piece
- Press releases Connect to the press and your audience with a well constructed news release

Frame your story by outlining shared **values**, the **problem**, the **solution** and of course, the **action**!



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