

Cloud Call Center enables NoOnProp8.org volunteers to reach thousands of voters

NoOnProp8.org, the group campaigning against the Proposition 8 measure in California, making gay marriage illegal, was started by Equality California (EQCA) in 2008. EQCA has successfully passed more than 45 pieces of civil rights legislation for the LGBT community in the last 10 years and created NoOnProp8.org to launch a movement to sway thousands of voters in California last fall.

Initially, NoOnProp8 had a phone bank of approximately 10,000 volunteers and zero call center infrastructure. They required a solution to organize volunteers who would generate calls to approximately 3 million US voters. Each volunteer had a goal of reaching as many California voters as they could and educating them on the proposition effectively.

NoOnProp8 discovered CallFire's Cloud Call Center, coordinated system efforts, and within three days, NoOnProp8's virtual call center was up and running. Armed with CallFire's Cloud Call Center, volunteers used their own cell phone and laptop from home or local volunteer hub, connected to the CallFire system and began dialing.

CallFire's scalable system not only managed to support the large-scale operation, but it also was executed seamlessly: Approximately 10,000 agents spoke with 641,495 voters, out of the 800,000 dialed in the state of California. The original goal of the campaign was to reach 3 million voters, but it was stopped early.

Ultimately, NoOnProp8.org was defeated, but multiple campaigns against Proposition 8 raised \$43.3 million, becoming the highest-funded campaign on any California state ballot that year and surpassed every campaign in the country in spending except the <u>presidential contest</u>.

Client NoOnProp8.org (EQCA)

Challenges & Goals

- · Organize millions of volunteers
- · Simplify dialing efforts
- Allow for a large scale operation without infrastructure

Solution

Use CallFire's Cloud Call Center to dial hundreds of thousands of US voters and inform them about why they should vote no on Prop 8.

Results

- · Successful execution of dialing
- Initiated call center quickly and effectively
- Potential for future campaigns in 2010

Why CallFire?

CallFire was the only organization that could guarantee over 1000 volunteers could be up and running in a matter of hours, without any infrastructure costs.



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