

# activating your promoters

HOW SAVVY SELLER/DOERS CREATE OPPORTUNITIES



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You did the hard part!









## Identifying Promoters

CREATING A PROMOTER ISN'T ENOUGH - YOU HAVE TO FIND THEM!

# How likely are you to recommend us to a colleague or peer?







### THE VALUE OF A PROMOTER

Stay Longer

Buy More Services

Cost Less to Serve

ID Ways to Reduce Costs

Bring Us New Clients

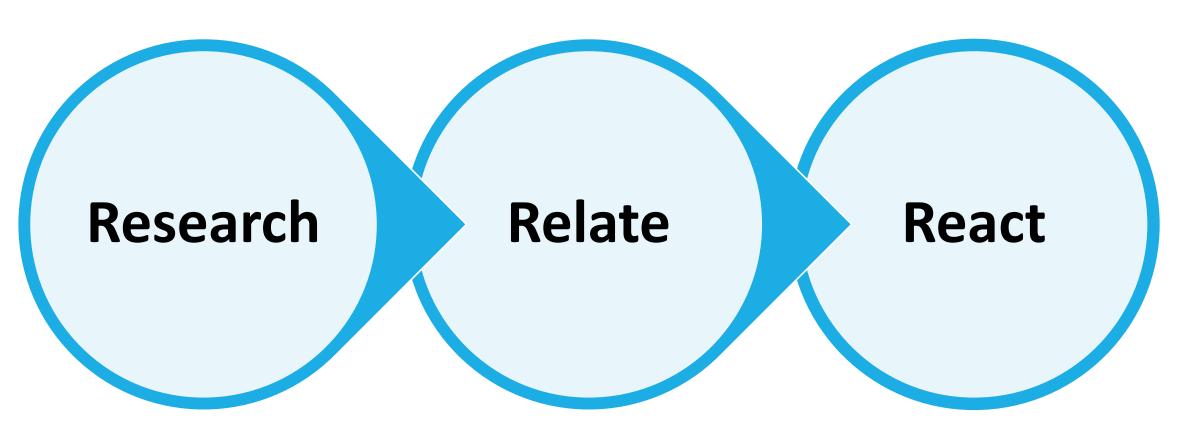
Happy Clients = Happy PM's



## Activating Promoters

THREE STEPS TO GETTING THE REFERRALS YOU WANT







## Research

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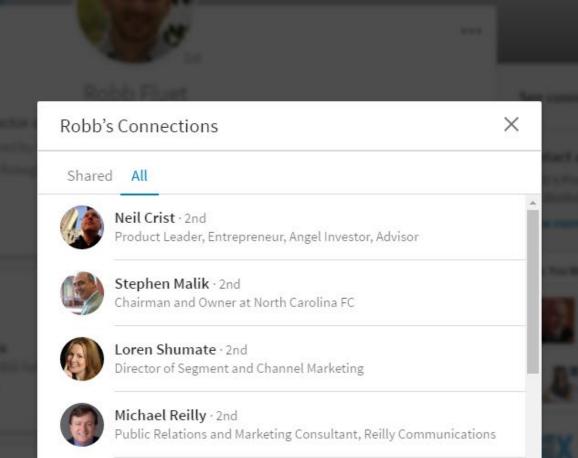
Relate

React









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## Research

Who do you want to meet? How can you help them?

## Relate

Align with the client's needs
Solve TWO problems

## React



## Stage the Meeting



**Show Appreciation** 



**Express Value to Client** 



Generate Hope



Offer Enjoyment

#### **Subject: Project Success Conversation Request**

Dear Client,

Thank you for the opportunity to work with you on [project name.] My team and I have enjoyed the experience, and we're glad to hear from your feedback that you've found success in the project as well.

I would like to schedule a time to **talk about your success**, and what things we are doing specifically that help. It's critical to us that we don't take success for granted, and that we carefully examine how to continue achieving for you in our quest to always improve.

We heard you say that [something positive from their feedback] is **making an impact**, and that's just one area we can investigate.

Could we **perhaps meet for lunch** on [date options], or find a time in your office or via phone to connect?

Thank you very much for helping us be our best,

[Signature]



Value

Hope

Enjoyment





### Client Conversation Guide



Can you tell me more about (what worked so well)?



What about your situation made this outcome good?



Who else in your organization was affected by this?



Discuss how you can repeat this performance and confirm.



Consider probing further:



How else can we help you and your organization?



Can you tell me more about that?



What would an ideal (your type of firm) do that no one does now?



#### Create a Plan

Let the client see your approach to increasing her success



## Helping Two Times

HELP THE CLIENT, THEN HELP THE CLIENT HELP A FRIEND





#### **Referral Conversation Guide**



Recap how you will create more value for the client.

Who else at your firm needs this kind of help?

Do you have any peers in the industry needing this kind of help?

I've really wanted to meet [list 3-5 names]. Do you know them? Do you know of any challenges they're trying to solve right now?

Can you explain

her role to me?

Would you be able to introduce me?

Offer a plan for the intro and stop.





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## React

Show your care Demonstrate your help



## Recap the Meeting (in writing)



Begin with Agreements to Improve Value



**Provide Status on Action Items** 



List Referrals and Method of Introduction



End with "I look forward to your introductions, and reporting back how we've been able to help them too."



### Referral Conversation Guide



Do NOT sell.



What do you know about the project I helped [colleague] on?



How are your projects similar? How are they different?



We helped [colleague] with this problem. Is that one you share?



What other challenges have you faced on your projects?



Share stories of how others (not you) have solved similar problems.



Offer ideas, but not direct help (don't sell).



Done well, the prospect will ask you to help!

"I met with [referral] today – it was a great meeting. Thank you for the introduction. I discovered she's dealing with [challenge]. I think we might be able to help by [suggestion]. I wanted to get your thoughts about that."



#### Ask Your Client for Advice

Keep the client engaged in helping his colleague – you're in this together!



### THE VALUE OF ENGAGEMENT

Invested in Success
Together

Encourages Talk Between Them Shows You Value His Colleagues

Shows You Value Clients' Insights

Proves You Are Focused on Help

Makes Your Client Look & Feel Good!



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## Helping Ten Times

PROVE THIS ONCE, REPEAT IT OVER AND OVER

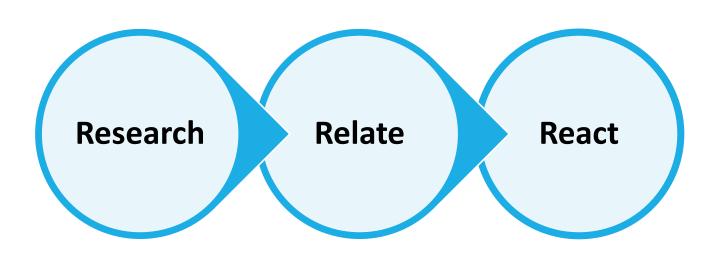




## Tell the Story!



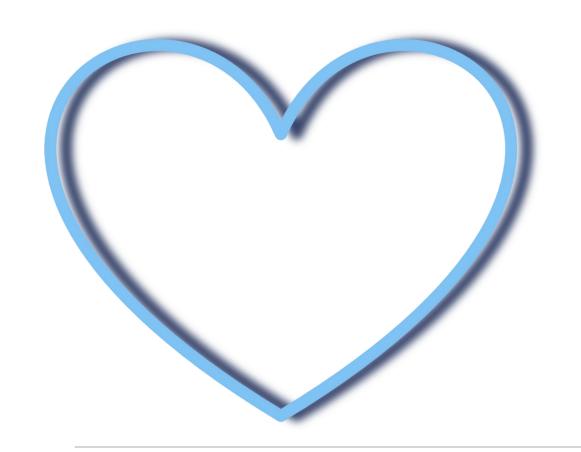




"Who else can I help like I've helped you?"







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