



Curt Hammond Bio

Curt's career has been a step-by-step journey toward his passion for helping organizations tell their story and building teams that are grounded in service. These steps started professionally by selling rings and yearbooks for a Fortune 500 company. Fun, but not exactly fulfilling.

Curt then pretended to be a graphic designer for a few years but when the technology was moving faster than he was, he decided it was time to hang up the mouse. Already working in the non-profit sector, fundraising was the natural next step in learning how to grow strong and resilient organizations. Through capital campaigns, membership drives and sponsorships, Curt has helped to raise millions of dollars in the social service, education and health sectors.

Once he understood that raising money is a career for patient people, Curt left the comfort of a regular paycheck for the thrill of building a company or two. As a result, Curt wears lots of hats and some of them even fit. At Four Simple Words he is the Chief Learning Officer, passionate about exploring how service can help heal ourselves, our organizations and our communities. When he's not talking or thinking about Service Leadership, Curt is also the Chief Listening Officer at Pearl Street Communications, leading a team of marketing professionals passionate about change-making work. Curt's accountant often reminds him that he volunteers. A lot. No matter the role, Curt has yet to encounter a whiteboard he did not feel an immediate and personal connection with.

A constant work in progress, Curt has a long history and passion for systems change grounded in equity. He has worked with or led hundreds of national and local organizations kicking down walls and empowering leaders and organizations with the clarity and tools they need to lead real change.

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