# "The Seven Faces of Philanthropy"

#### The Communitarian (26%) - "Doing Good Makes Good Sense"

- Give because it is good for the community, good for me
- Success tied to success of community
- Look for professionalism/business-like operations
- Focus on results rather than plans for the future
- Expect recognition

### The Devout (21%) - "Doing Good is God's Will"

- Philanthropy is obligation tied to spiritual development
- Resist the idea of philanthropy as exchange
- Support for religious causes, outreach, mission work
- Act of faith in the cause/institution
- Expect attention but egalitarian perspective

# The Investor (15%) - "Doing Good is Good Business"

- One eye on the cause and the other on tax benefits
- Estate planning for the future of family
- Think of giving and investing in the same terms
- Look for good returns on their donation
- Philanthropy is a business relationship

### The Socialite (11%) - "Doing Good is Fun"

- Attracted to social circle, entertainment and doing good
- Motivated by creativity and demands of event planning
- See themselves as fund raisers, not donors
- Philanthropy as social exchange expect attention

#### The Repayer (10%) - "Doing Good in Return"

- Constituents first and donors second
- Life changing experience education or health
- Benefit first and then are philanthropic gratitude
- Tightly focused giving to few nonprofits
- Emphasis is on results and on the beneficiaries

# The Altruist (9%) - "Doing Good Feels Right"

- The genuine selfless donor lone philanthropist
- Focus on social causes, the elderly and poor
- Giving is internally motivated moral imperative
- Resent and disparage those who seek benefits
- Focus on personal integrity of staff not results

#### The Dynast (8%) - "Doing Good is a Family Tradition"

- Wealth is inherited or family business
- Philanthropy product of early childhood socialization
- Generational differences in institutions supported
- Seek creativity in charitable work independence
- Most careful and selective of philanthropists

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