The Platform Builder™ Framework

How to Build Your List To Raise Millions In Days

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So, You Want to Raise More Money?

- Do you want to raise millions in days?
- ► Launch a podcast?
- Write a book?
- Do you want to become an influencer?
- ► Thought leader?
- ▶ Do you have a mission?
- ▶ Do you want to change the world?

The Problem

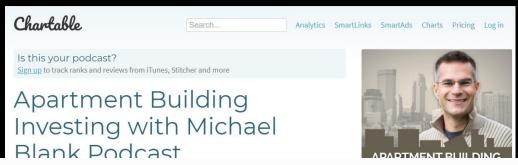
- You have deals but can't raise enough money
- You have a book but can only sell a few copies
- You have a podcast but don't know who your subscribers are
- ► You have an important message but no audience
- ► You have a worthwhile mission but little support
- ► You have NO Platform
- ► You have an INCOMPLETE Platform

The Platform Builder™ Framework

- ▶ How to build your brand to attract the "right" people
- ► How to build your list so you know who's in your tribe
- ► How to serve them so that they become raving fans
- How to lead them so that they change their lives
- ► How to expand your reach to change more lives

Why Should You Listen To Me?

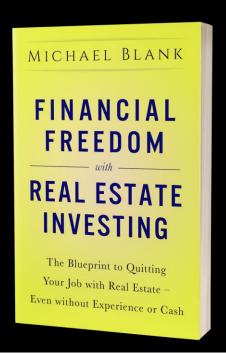
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- Bestselling book
- Live Events with 500+ attendees
- ▶ 25,000+ email subscribers
- ▶ \$43M in Multifamily Real Estate
- ► Raised \$4.1M in 3 days



The Power of the PLATFORM

What's a Platform?

- ► A leveraged way to communicate
- ▶ to attract the right audience
- and create raving fans
- who follow you
- ▶ and change their lives.

What's a Platform for Capital Raisers?

- ► A leveraged way to communicate
- ▶ to attract the right investors
- and create raving fans
- who invest with you
- ► and change their lives.

The Platform Builder™ Framework For Capital Raisers

ACTIVITY OUTCOME Expand Your Reach Millions in Days **Promote** Attract The **Build Your Brand Attract** "Right" Investors Know Who's In Your Tribe **Capture Build Your List** Serve Add Value Raving Fans Lead Ask Them to Invest \$ for Your Deals

Can Do This?

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12 episodes

My name is Reed Starkey and I am documenting my journey towards multifamily investing. I will be interviewing the experts as I grow my team and also documenting my success as well as my setbacks along the way. I hope you will enjoy t more

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SEP 28, 2019

Aaron Katz Shares his journey to over 1500 units! Episode #12

Aaron bought a 90-unit as his first investment in 2011 and hasn't looked back since. As of this recording, he has over 1500 units with 9 syndications and another under contract. I am super excited to have Aaron on the show!



AUG 2, 2019

David Toupin walks us through his first major full-Cycle deal. Episode #11 >

David Toupin is a Top Millennial real estate investor, national speaker, and entrepreneur. As partner and Co-founder of Obsidian Capital, David has acquired over 500 apartment units worth nearly \$40M by the age of 23. Obsidian Capital focuses on acquiring large multifamily assets, and partners



The Biggest Mistakes

- NOT building your list with a lead magnet
- NOT communicating with people afterwards
- NOT building the platform in the right sequence
- Trying to do everything at once
- Striving for perfection
- Overwhelmed by the tech

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The Platform Builder™ Framework Step-By-Step For Capital Raisers

ATTRACT

- Define Your Brand
- ► Create Your Home Base

CAPTURE

Build Your List with a Lead Magnet

SERVE

- Welcome and Indoctrinate
- Produce High-Value (Free) Content

LEAD

- Create a Compelling Product
- Onboard Your Investors
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Expand Your Reach



STEP 1: Define Your Brand

- ► What's your story?
- ► What's your secret sauce?
 - Good/Enjoy/Successes/Others/For/Against
- ▶ Who are you going to serve?
- ► How are you going to serve them?
- ► What's your mission?
- Create a tagline
 - "To help people become financially free with real estate"
- Create a company name, logo and "mood board"

STEP 2: Create Your Home Base

- Set up your One-Page web site
 - Divi theme
 - Why invest in Multifamily?
 - ▶ Why invest with you?
 - About the Team
 - Track Record and Portfolio
 - What Others Are Saying
 - Investment Process / How it Works
 - Call to action

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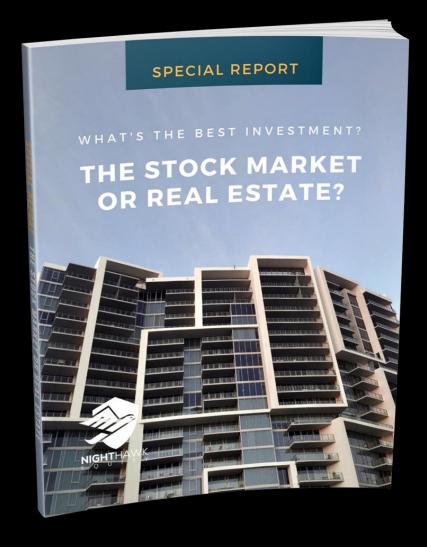


CAPTUREBuild Your List

- ► STEP # 1: Create a Lead Magnet
- STEP # 2: Set up your Email System
- ► STEP # 3: Capture leads via an opt-in form

CAPTURE > Build Your List with a Lead Magnet STEP 1: Create a Lead Magnet

- ▶ Pick a topic and create an outline
- Create the content
 - ► Word or Google Doc
- Produce the content
 - Canva.com
- Upload to your web site



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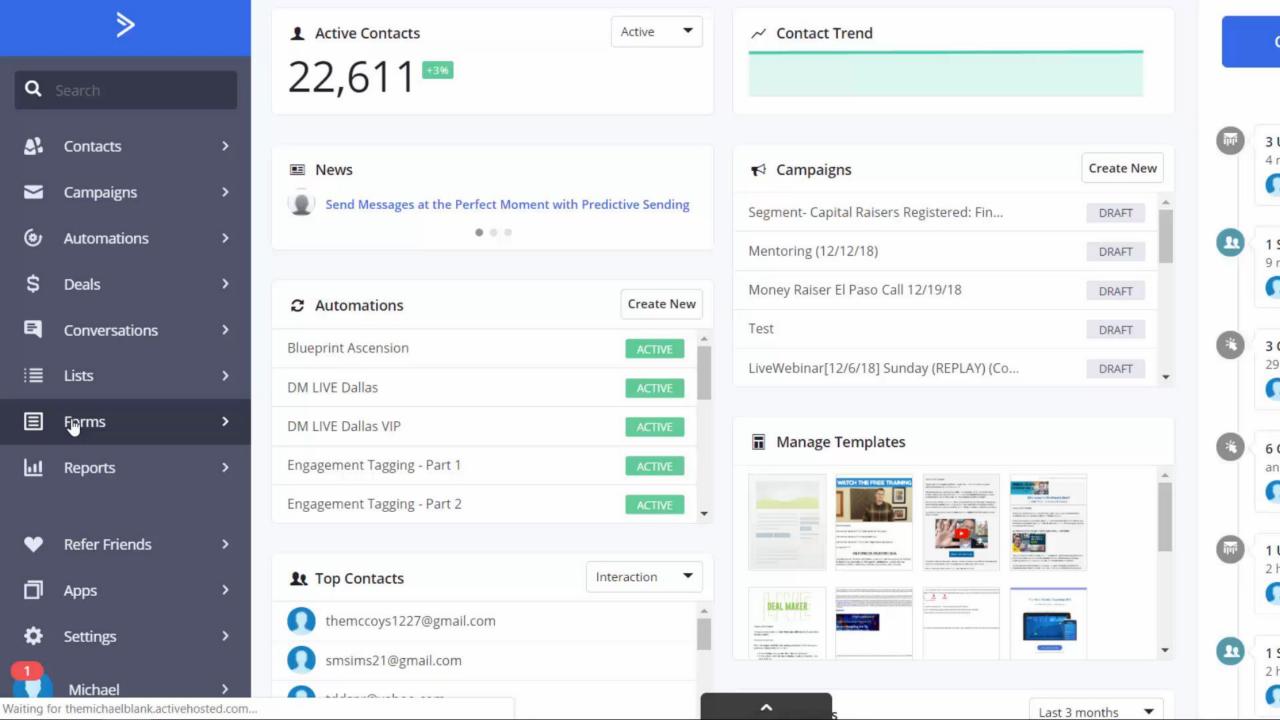
STEP 2: Set Up Your Email System

- ▶ Pick the best email system
 - Constant Contact
 - Mailchimp
 - aWeber
 - ConvertKit
 - ► Active Campaign

CAPTURE > Build Your List with a Lead Magnet STEP 3: Capture Leads via an Opt-In Form

- Create the opt-in form
- Create your download page
- Create your thank-you page
- Embed the form into your download page

► CAUTION: High Tech Ahead!



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STEP 1: Welcome and Indoctrinate New Subscribers

- Create an automated email series
- Welcome!
- ► Who are you?
- ► What's your mission?
- ► What to expect?

SERVE STEP 2: Provide High-Value (Free) Content

- Emails
- ▶ Blog
- Video
- Webinars
- Meetups

Raving Fans

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STEP 1: Create a Compelling Product

- You already have the best financial product on the planet ...
- Multifamily Syndications
 - Cash flow
 - ► Above Average Returns
 - ► Low Risk Profile
 - Extraordinary Tax Benefits

STEP 2: Onboard Your Investors

Must create a "Substantive Relationship" before presenting deals

Don't Break SEC Regulations

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Rules 502(c) and 506(b) under Regulation D

August 3, 2015

David R. Fredrickson, Esq. Chief Counsel Division of Corporation Finance U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F. Street, NE Washington, DC 20549

Re: Citizen VC, Inc.

Dear Mr. Fredrickson:

Our client, Citizen VC, Inc. and its affiliates (collectively, "CitizenVC"), proposes to offer and sell from time to time, without registration, limited liability company interests ("Interests") of special purpose vehicles ("SPVs") established and managed by a wholly owned subsidiary of CitizenVC, Inc. (the "Manager") in order to aggregate investments made by members ("Members") of the CitizenVC online venture capital investment platform (the "Site"). The SPVs invest in seed, early-stage, emerging growth and late-stage private companies, and offer accredited investors the SPVs' Interests in reliance upon the exemption provided pursuant to Rule 506(b) of Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). CitizenVC does not intend to rely on the exemption from registration provided under Rule 506(c), and will not engage in any general solicitation or general advertising. In connection with, and prior to, the offering of the Interests of SPVs, CitizenVC intends to establish pre-existing, substantive relationships with prospective members of the Site in accordance with

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How to Create a "Substantive Relationship" The Cliff Notes

- Complete questionnaire
- Phone call
- Welcome emails
- Encourage site visits and questions
- ► Answer questions online or offline

STEP 2: Onboard Your Investors

- ▶ Join the Club!
- Qualification Form
- ▶ Phone Call
- ► Email(s)
- ▶ Track everything

LEAD STEP 2: Onboard Your Investors (cont'd)

- ▶ Join the Club!
- Qualification Form
- ▶ Phone Call
- ► Email(s)
- Track everything

- ► Link in Email or Web Site
- ► From Your Email System
- Calendly
- Automated Emails
- ► Your Email System

STEP 3: Ask Them to Invest

- Create an Executive Summary
- ► Host a Live Webinar
- ► Get Soft Commits
- ► Sign the Legal Docs
- ▶ Wire the Funds
- Close the Transaction

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- **SEO**
- Guest Blogging
- Podcast Guest
- Start Podcast
- ► Youtube Channel ► Paid Traffic

- Social Media
- Start Meetup
- Speak at Events
- Book

Lead Magnet

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Financial Freedom For Your Investors

Become a Thought Leader

MAKE AN IMPACT

The Platform Builder™ Framework

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Additional Resources

- Book "Platform" by Michael Hyatt
- ▶ Book "Tribes" by Seth Godin
- SmartPassiveIncome.com by Pat Flynn
 - ► The BEST Online Marketing Resource
- Amy Porterfield
 - ▶ List Building, Online Courses
- Digital Marketer > Perpetual Traffic
 - ► Paid Facebook Traffic