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Have questions? Use the questions panel We'll field them as we go and during the Q&A recap at the end of the call

# Cashing In On Your Check Program

A Harland Clarke Webcast Series

# **Today's Presenters**



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# Agenda

- Check writers: The Opportunity
- Maximizing your check program
- Q&A



## We Can Help You

#### Check writers are critical to the profitability of your financial institution

- Better understand your check writers
- Gain maximum revenue from your check program
- Exploit untapped marketing opportunities



### **Who Are Your Best Customers?**

Who has the greatest account loyalty?

Who carries higher account balances?

Who has greater cross-product penetration?

Who has higher investable assets?

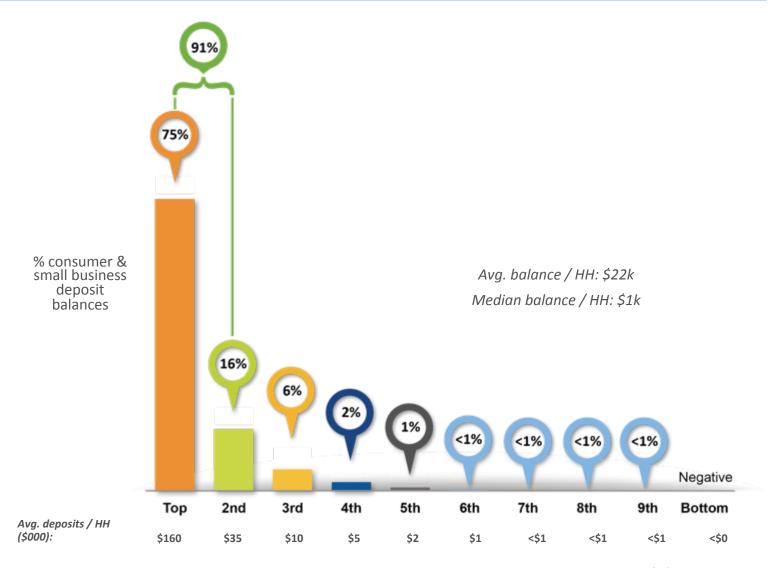
Who considers your financial institution their PFI?



# **Check Writers!**



# 20% of Account Holders Hold 90% of Deposit Balances





### **Check Writers: Your Key to Profitability**

Check writers are more loyal<sup>1</sup>

Check writers carry higher balances<sup>2</sup>

Check writers have more products<sup>3</sup>

Check writers have more investable assets<sup>4</sup>



<sup>1</sup> State of the Check: Consumers Quantitative Report, Javelin Strategy & Research, August 2011.

<sup>2</sup> Nielsen/HC check behavior study, 2014

<sup>3</sup> Harland Clarke/Nielsen, Why You Shouldn't Write Off Check Writers, 2015

<sup>4</sup> State of the Check: Consumers Quantitative Report, Javelin Strategy & Research, August 2011

# **Check Writers are More Loyal**

87%

41%

87% write checks on their primary account <sup>1</sup>

41% have been with their PFI for 10 years or more<sup>2</sup>



### **Check Writers are More Affluent**



**Flourishing Families** 

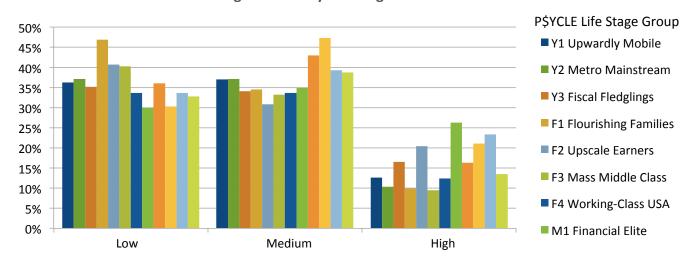


**Upscale Empty Nesters** 



**Financial Elite** 

#### **Check Writing Behavior by Life Stages**





### **Check Writers Own More Products**











Frequent check writers acquire nearly five financial products and services from their PFI – approximately two more services than non-check users<sup>1</sup>

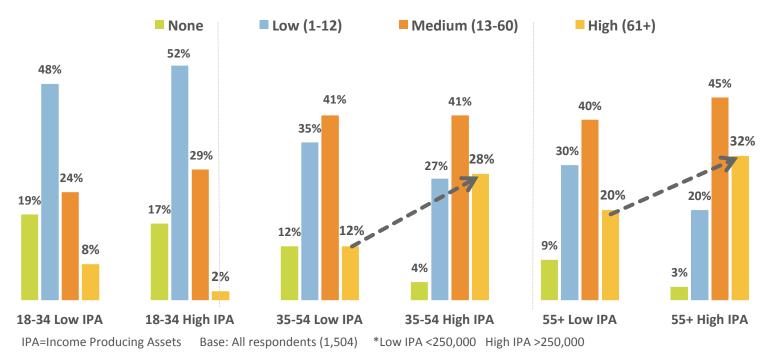
PFI's win approximately 50% of new product sales<sup>2</sup>



# The More Affluent You Are, the More Checks You Write



How many total checks have you written from your primary checking account in the past 12 months?





## **Check Writers are your Most Important Account Holders**



Greater loyalty<sup>1</sup> • Higher balances<sup>2</sup>
More products<sup>3</sup> • More investable assets<sup>4</sup>

And their affluence is more highly correlated to check writing than age



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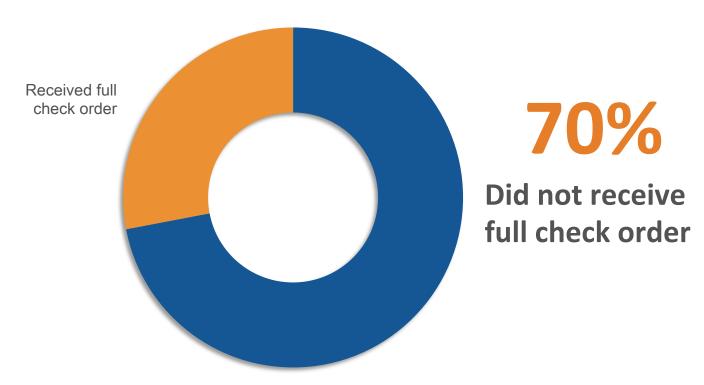


30%



# A 70% Opportunity

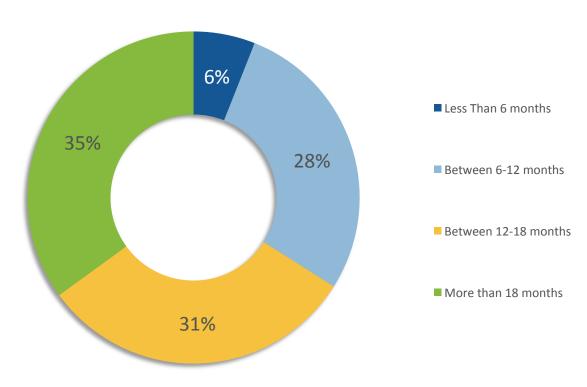






# **And Opportunity at Each Reorder**

#### Consumer Reported Reorder Cycles





# \$1 Million Missed Opportunity?

For illustrative purposes only, using hypothetical assumptions. Your lifetime value will vary.



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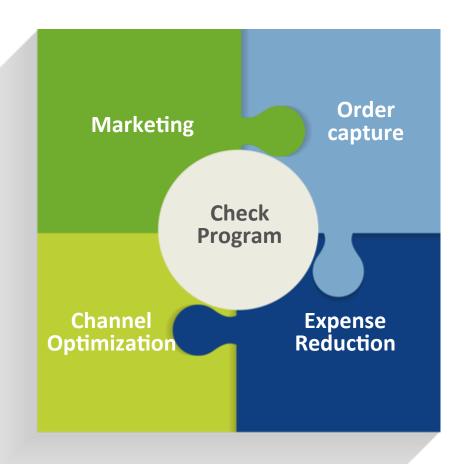
# **And Impressions Lost**



How Can You Achieve Maximum Value From Your Check Program? >>>



# **Your Check Program Performance**





### **Increase New Order Capture Rates**

**TRAINING:** emphasize the importance of check writing in defining primary financial relationships and how critical it is to capture the check order at new account opening

Order capture

**EDUCATION:** educate employees on the benefit of account holders purchasing checks through your financial institution

**ACCOUNT HOLDER EXPERIENCE:** examine your entire account opening process (training, education, experience, welcome kit), including the check ordering process

**INCENTIVES:** incent to reinforce training and ensure new account representatives are motivated to offer and sell checks



### **Reduce Expenses**

Unnecessary waives = lost revenue
Reducing waives improves check program profits
Best-in-class check programs < 5% waives



**ACCOUNT TYPE** ensure account holders are in the correct account type (would they qualify for an account plan with a check benefit?)

**DIRECT CONTACT** facilitate direct contact with Harland Clarke (online and phone/ VRU), where waives are not allowed

**PERFORMANCE** track performance at the branch level

**TRAINING** conduct additional training at bottom-performing branches/regions

**PERIODIC ASSESSMENTS** conduct reviews with your branches to understand why waives are happening and identify opportunities to improve



# **Online Channel Optimization for Reorders**

> > Improves branch efficiency



- > > Outperforms branch channels by \$8.001 in average order value
- > > Open 24/7
- > > Consumer-placed orders are more accurate (fewer errors on check imprint information)



## Migrate Reorders to Online

#### How do we move account holders online for reorders?

- Fully integrate your online banking system with Harland Clarke's check order site
- Promote online order capability on your web site
- Utilize available banner space within online banking
- Use statement messages to promote alternate channels
- Revise wording on teller receipt to include online options
- Create shortcut URL for check ordering www.yourfi.com/orderchecks
- Train your branch staff to sell online ordering as a benefit
- Use in-branch merchandising and other methods to promote online reorders

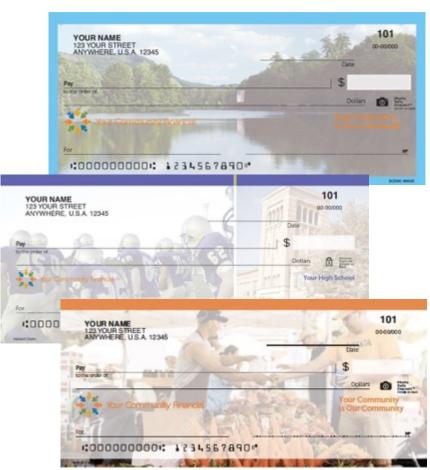
Marketing



# **Custom Checks Strengthen Your Branding**



Boost the impact with color branded logo



Express your community connection with custom scenic designs



### **CheckFolio is Now a Marketing Vehicle**



#### CheckFolio gives you high message visibility

Frequency - every time a check is written / new check pad accessed

Longevity – for the life of the check order

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#### The Bottom Line

**20%** of account holders **drive profitability**<sup>1</sup>

These high value check customers write checks

Embrace the importance of check writers at every level of your organization

Include checks in every account opening



### Q & A Wrap Up

#### Type your question in the questions panel

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