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Magneti called the fundraising efforts “Raise the Barn” in honor of the rural community tradition of a barn raising. A short video was produced to tell the story of Venetucci Farm and the barn. Magneti created a Kickstarter-type website for donations, where each level of giving would be incentivized with a perk. Magneti also enabled “text to give” for mobile donations. The efforts resulted in a celebratory barn raising in April 2014.

Magneti’s marketing efforts resulted in 100% CAPITAL RAISED, over $350k

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Michael Hannigan
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