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From: kraft.ryan.m@gmail.com on behalf of Ryan Kraft [rmkraft@umich.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 1:05 PM
To: Santoro, Nancy
Subject: Re:

Hello Ms. Santoro,

Thank you for reaching out to me as part of your efforts to control and coordinate the fundraising activities supporting the victims of the Sandy Hook shooting. As perhaps the first fundraiser supporting this effort, I am glad to know that the state government is interested in understanding what's going on at such a granular level. However, due to the way that I engaged in my fundraising activity, I do not have the capability to answer the questions you asked.

The collection site I set up on crowdrise.com is not a unique charity or charitable organization, but rather just a collection point for funds directed to the Sandy Hook PTSA Congress, with EIC 06-6185553. I never received, was in possession of, or had control over any of the funds raised through the crowdrise.com website I set up. All of the funds were received by the crowdrise.com staff and then sent directly to the PTSA. Because the PTSA received the funds directly, I never fell under the 501(c)3 requirements that the PTSA does; thus I am not in a position to answer your questionnaire regarding the charity's fundraising progress and subsequent activities with the funds raised. If you permit the analogy, I was really just a cheerleader for the PTSA who used a website to promote the charity.

One person who may be able to better respond to your inquiry is Jim Accomando, the President of the Connecticut PTSA. His contact information is below:

Jim Accomando
CT PTSA State President
203-281-6617 Office
membership@ctpta.org

If you need any additional information, please let me know at your convenience.

Best regards,

Ryan Kraft

On Tue, Apr 2, 2013 at 8:19 AM, Santoro, Nancy <Nancy.Santoro@ct.gov> wrote:

Mr. Kraft,

Please find attached a questionnaire this office is sending all individuals/organizations that are fundraising on behalf of the Sandy Hook tragedy. Can you please fill this out and return the form to either myself via email or to the address listed below. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Nancy Santoro

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