## SIGNATURE CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR) INITIATIVES

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## What Defines a Signature CSR Initiative?

### WHAT DEFINES A SIGNATURE INITIATIVE?

Long term commitment Significant investment of company resources Aligned with core business strategies ✓ Measurable Meaningful to employees

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# Why a Signature CSR Initiative?

### **EMERGING TRENDS**



Growing **pressure and expectations** from internal and external stakeholders for business to have a positive impact on social and environmental factors.



The **proliferation of social and digital media** gives organizations and individuals' tools to reach large audiences, resulting in faster and increasing scrutiny. At the same time, there is declining trust in of institutions.



Corporate responsibility initiatives are becoming a more important **driver of corporate reputation.** CSR factors make up over 40% of consumers' perception of a company's reputation.

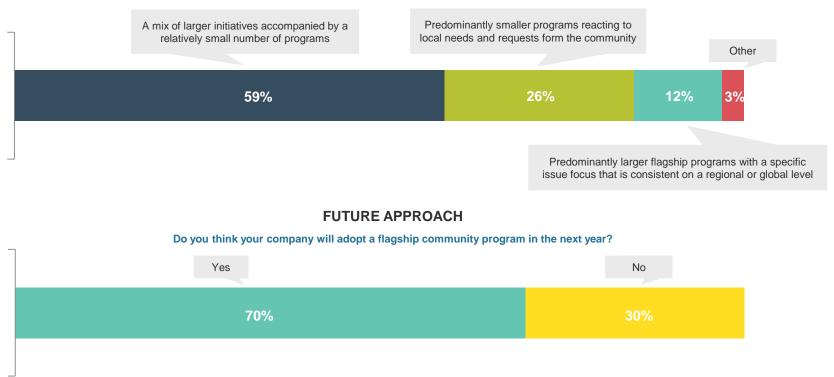


Being a good corporate citizens is defined by **what a company does**, not the **dollars it gives** or what it says about itself.

### THE EVOLUTION TOWARDS SIGNATURE INITIATIVES

#### **CURRENT APPROACH**

#### How would you describe your company's current portfolio of social investment activities?



### WHY A SIGNATURE CSR INITIATIVE?

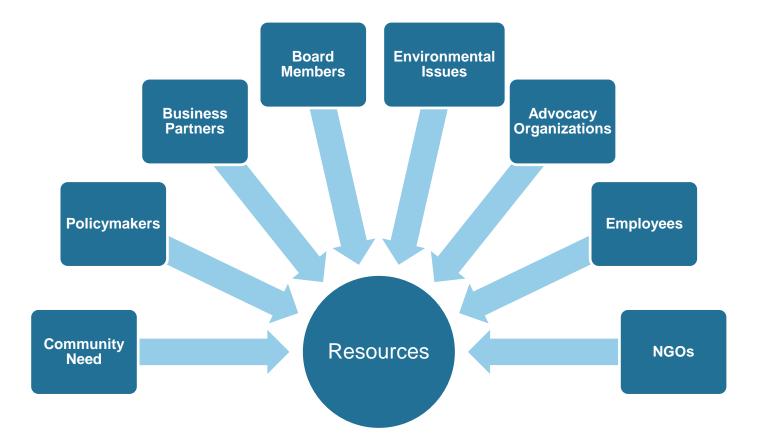


more powerful storytelling

with key stakeholders: employees, costumers, regulators

# How Do You Develop a Signature CSR Initiative?

### **PRESSURE ON RESOURCES**



## Focus

Resources for greater impact

Partnerships Engage relevant nonprofit and community organizations

Signature Initiative

Philanthropy Focus financial resources

> People Leverage employee volunteerism and expertise

Products Bring to bear products, services and broader company resources

#### COMMUNITY NEEDS

## SHARED VALUE



**Good Jobs** 

**Transportation** 

### **School Supplies**

**Technical Training** 

### ALIGNMENT

**Skilled Workers** 

**Regulatory Relief** 

**New Markets** 

**Skilled Workers** 

**Technical Training** 

**Mentors** 

**Health Services** 

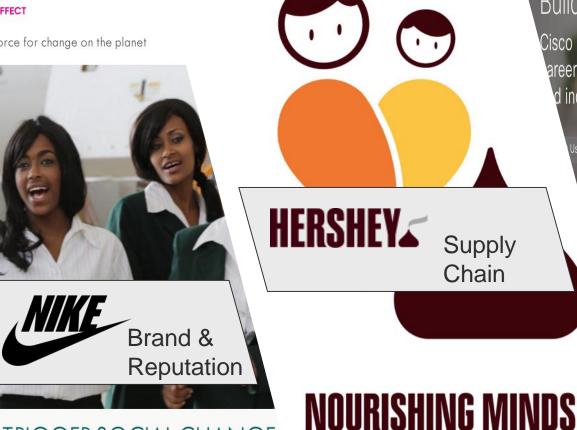
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**Media Coverage** 

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### **MEASUREMENT TRENDS** Shift From Inputs to Impacts

 85% of companies say they measure social outcomes and/or impacts, but only 18% of them have been doing so for more than five years.

 Of the 85%, 25% measure results on all giving; a majority measure results on only a portion of their portfolio.

"We recognize that lasting change requires more than investment. It requires results. That's why we **aim to measure the social impact** of our community investments. **We aim to move away from measuring inputs and outputs alone.**"

- Nike, Inc. Corporate Responsibility Report