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Workshops & Trainings

Navigating Nonprofit Finance: Strategic Insights for Success

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, October 1, 2024

Nonprofit finance is more than just a compliance and reporting tool. Organizations that understand their finances are in a stronger position to monitor progress, communicate their funding needs, and cover the cost of doing business.



What You'll Learn:

- Essential concepts in financial management
- "Cost-saving measures" may be negatively impacting your organization
- Finance in relation to strategy & compliance

Who Should Attend:

- Executive Directors
- Program Managers who oversee budgets
- Development Staff

[Join Us on Zoom](#)

Unlocking Employee Handbooks: Your Key to Mastery

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM, October 22, 2024

There are many reasons that organizations need a current handbook that employees should read and sign to acknowledge receipt. Some of the most important reasons are to ensure consistent application of organization policies and to help create a structured, fair, and productive work environment.



What You'll Learn:

- What to include and what not to include in an employee handbook
- How to differentiate an employee handbook and a policies and procedures manual
- How a current legally compliant handbook can help protect your organization and the legal risks of not having one

Who Should Attend:

- Executive Directors
- HR Professionals
- Other Leadership Team Members

Join Us In-Person

Space is limited to 50 registrants.



UPCOMING GRANT CYCLES



Athena Giving Circle Grants

Apply by October 10, 2024

Athena Progressive Giving Circle will award up to \$29,750 to support a program for K-5 grade girls that promotes early learning and greater self-reliance, self-esteem, and self-advocacy. Athena is seeking to fund an effective and sustainable project — existing or new, tried-and-true or innovative — that will address young girls and their budding sense of self-worth.

The application is now open with a submission deadline of 5:00pm, Thursday, October 10, 2024.

Apply Today

Capacity Building Grants

Apply by October 15, 2024

Capacity Building grants help improve a nonprofit's ability to fulfill its mission by strengthening its capacity. Capacity strengthening areas include data gathering, evaluation, learning, assessment, advocacy, planning, fundraising, leadership, and emergency needs.

The application deadline for this grant cycle is October 15, 2024. Future grant cycles for the current fiscal year open on the following dates:

- November 1, 2024

- February 1, 2025
- May 1, 2025

Have questions about capacity building grants? Ask our team this Thursday, September 19, at our [virtual information session](#).

[Apply Today](#)

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New Resource Button Added

Lists Disaster Resources in Times of Need

New on The Giving Partner homepage you will find the **Disaster Response & Resources** button. Being prepared and knowing where to seek help after a disaster is essential in the process of moving forward. Our team at the Community Foundation has compiled a list you can use in the event of a weather emergency.



**DISASTER
RESPONSE &
RESOURCES**

EXTERNAL RESOURCES



MCF Grants

Apply by October 1, 2024

Manatee Community Foundation's Grant Cycle 1 is now open for applications. The committee prioritizes grants that serve Manatee County and address needs in the arts, human services, education, animal welfare, environmental stewardship, civic engagement, and health.

The deadline to apply is October 1, 2024. Applicants will know the status of their application by October 31, 2024.

[Learn More](#)



Small & Mighty Grants

Opens October 1, 2024

Three times a year, the William G. and Marie Selby Foundation awards "Small and Mighty" grants.

Organizations with budgets of \$300,000 or less that primarily serve Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte and DeSoto counties can apply.

The third cycle of the year opens October 1, 2024 and closes November 1, 2024.

[Learn More](#)

Nonprofit Job Bank

Whether you're seeking a new nonprofit position or you want to post an open position at our organization, your local resource is the Association of Fundraising Professionals Southwest Florida Chapter's [Job Bank](#), supported by the Community Foundation of Sarasota County.

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Interested in joining the Community Foundation of Sarasota County team? Visit our [Careers Overview and Openings](#) page to see are available positions you can apply for.

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