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OneSource Center Nonprofit News

March 2021

Welcome to OneSource Center's Nonprofit News which includes upcoming events, announcements and other news important to nonprofits in the Greater Cincinnati area.

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Library's MakerSpace a Hidden Gem Creativity Tools at Region's Fingertips

Large vinyl banners are a creative way to artistically display important information, but often production costs can be high. When OneSource Center learned a high quality 5' x 30" vinyl banner could be produced for under \$12 at the Cincinnati Public Library's MakerSpace lab, this knowledge was too good to ignore! COVID-inspired cost savings research led the OneSource Center team to plan a field trip and investigate the vinyl printer/cutter option.

MakerSpace, an artistic treasure-trove of creativity tools located conveniently at the library's downtown Cincinnati location, has a large number of free-to-use options including 3D printers, software, laser cutters, vinyl banner printers and more. Library card holders can truly create almost anything they can imagine. (Small fees assessed for materials used in production of items.)



"We wanted to create a large banner for our office that highlighted the corporate sponsors supporting our work," said Alyson Best, OneSource Center Marketing Manager. "Creating the banner through commercial vendors was costly, but we heard we could make the same banner at the library at minimal cost just by creating the PDF and doing the printing ourselves. We would much rather use those extra funds to support our mission of strengthening nonprofits in our region!" -more-

NLIGC Leadership Development Opportunities Applications Being Accepted

Training leaders to be creative and knowledgeable has never been more important as nonprofits adapt to current times and anticipate unexpected changes ahead. The Nonprofit Leadership Institute of Cincinnati (NLIGC) has highly respected leadership development



programs tailored to the skill level of employees: entry-level, middle management and CEO level.

OneSource Center consultants provide the leadership and teaching for two of the NLIGC programs (ADVANCE and EXCEL.) The programs are lauded as "transformational" with attendees reporting they utilize skills learned every day in the operation of their organizations and in team management.

Program details:

 LEARN "Everybody Leads" is a foundational leadership and skills development program for entry level managers or for employees interested in improving general leadership skills. New sessions occur

quarterly. The Spring Session of LEARN is accepting applications now! Classes are held on Thursdays, April 8 - June 17, 2021.

- ADVANCE focuses on strengthening and developing the management and leadership skills of middle managers or nonprofit supervisors. New sessions occur quarterly. The Spring Session of ADVANCE is currently accepting applications. Sessions are on Tuesdays March 30 – June 8, 2021. Fall sessions will be held on Thursdays, September 16 – December 2, 2021.
- EXCEL is a flagship, nine-month leadership development and skills training
 program for nonprofit executive directors and C-suite executives. EXCEL was
 designed to enrich the management capabilities of those individuals inspired to lead
 nonprofit organizations in the Greater Cincinnati region. The program integrates the
 use of a coaches to personally mentor each class attendee in implementing best
 practices in their organizational leadership. The program begins every fall, with
 applications accepted the previous summer.

Questions? Please visit the NLIGC website or contact John Hauck.

News Nonprofits Can Use

Help Clients Recognize Pandemic Vaccine-Related Scams

The Federal Trade Commission recently issued a new consumer education blog post with the National Association of Attorneys General, offering tips on how to recognize and avoid vaccine-related scams. According to the post, with COVID-19 vaccines in the pipeline, scammers will not be far behind, and people should recognize the red flags of potential scams.

 The article contains a <u>graphic</u>, featured in this article and included in the blog post, that can be captured and printed on 8 1/2 x 11" paper to be posted in public areas or utilized in handouts. Article tips include: -more-



Free Microsoft Excel Training for Nonprofits through June 30

TechSoup is waiving the fee for its "Excel for Nonprofits – Data Management and Reporting with Pivot Tables and More" until June 30, 2021. This 11-hour, eight-track training program is part of the Microsoft Digital Skills Center, a joint partnership that combines Microsoft's product expertise with TechSoup's knowledge of how nonprofits use technology. The information-packed sessions are designed to help nonprofit leaders increase the impact of data with Excel. Click here for more information.

Community Tax Assistance Programs

Multiple tax preparation services are available to



nonprofit clients in the region. Spread the word! Free Tax Assistance is available from the Community Action Agency through April for individuals who qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). All tax preparation is virtual this tax season. More info here.

The Cincinnati Public Library and the United Way have partnered to offer numerous locations for free tax assistance. Call the Library's Virtual Information Center at 513-369-6900, or fill out a brief online survey online to register for tax prep

assistance. More info on all available CPL options here.

- Free Tax Prep, an initiative of United Way of Greater Cincinnati, provides free income tax preparation and filing services to individuals in need. Funded by the IRS and powered by volunteers, the program offers services including preparing and filing taxes on an individual's behalf or supporting people in preparing and filing their taxes. All in-person services have been modified to limit contact and ensure safe distancing. To determine the best free tax prep option, complete a short survey or call 2-1-1- for assistance. More info here.
- Brighton Center in Northern Kentucky offers the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) service in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service and the United Way of Greater Cincinnati, through April 10. The free volunteer income tax assistance is available on Saturdays in Newport, Florence and Grant County. Appointments need to be made due to pandemic restrictions. More information available here.

Collaborating Partner News



Pandemic Legal Brief: What Nonprofit Employers Need to Know

Pro Bono Partners of Ohio recently published an excellent legal brief relating to the pandemic titled <u>"The Covid 19"</u> Vaccine -- What Nonprofit Employers Need to Know." The article highlights that as the COVID-19 vaccine continues to roll out, there are subjects nonprofit leaders need to be knowledgeable about including vaccine accommodations, mandates and best practices.

AFP Scholarship Deadlines Approaching

March 12 is the deadline for several <u>Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP)</u> scholarships:

- Fundamentals of Fundraising Scholarships, which pay the tuition cost for the spring sessions of AFP's Fundraising Master Class on April 15, April 22 and April 29, 2021;
- the Presidential Scholarships which cover a full professional membership to AFP;
- and Young Professional Scholarships which support those newer to a career in the development field.

Grant Information

Find more information and links to these opportunities on the <u>OneSource Calendar</u>

St. Timothy Catholic Church in Union Kentucky will award six grants, with a maximum award up to \$3,000 each, in six designated months in the 2021/2022 fiscal year to Northern Kentucky nonprofit agencies/organizations whose services benefit/serve the disadvantaged and poor in the Northern Kentucky area. Grant deadline March 31.

Zonta Grant. The Zonta Club Cincinnati will award four \$500 grants. Applying organizations/projects must be aligned with the mission, goals and strategies of Zonta International and the ZCC which relates to women and children's health, education and

advocacy. Applications due April 1.

Rotary Foundation of Cincinnati. The Rotary Foundation of Cincinnati provides the funding and resources necessary to support the diverse humanitarian efforts of the Rotary Club of Cincinnati. Its primary goal is to support children, particularly those whose future development is impaired by physical, cultural, emotional, financial and social obstacles. To accomplish this goal, the Rotary Foundation of Cincinnati actively solicits and awards grants to non-profit organizations. Deadline April 9.

Duke Energy Workforce Development and Training Grants. These grants support workforce development programs that address the most pressing skills gaps in local communities. Programs cultivating the energy-sector's future workforce will be given priority in this grant cycle. Programs serving under-represented, low-income or diverse audiences, including women and minorities, will be given preference in this grant cycle. Deadline April 30.

OneSource Center Featured Trainings

Facilities Management Essentials

Date: April 2021 TBD

Facilities management can be "smooth as silk" or "run you through the ringer" as nonprofit leaders make decisions on suppliers, building maintenance and day-to-day physical plant management. Whether renting or owning, there are lots of considerations to manage. OneSource Center's monthly "Building Blocks" sessions are restarting with a webinar in April on facilities management. Joe Hartman from Cushman & Wakefield, one of Cincinnati's largest property management firms, will share information and



money-saving tips for managing your property. Details are still being worked out but look for details to be released soon.

BUILDING BLOCKS BEING HELD VIRTUALLY.

Registration information will be sent soon.

Upcoming Trainings and Events

Visit the <u>OneSource Center Nonprofit Calendar</u> to find upcoming events, training opportunities AND registration information ALL in one place for OneSource Center and community partners.

There are numerous regional webinars of note for the coming months. <u>Check it out!</u>



March 17 GPA "Tips to Tame the Budget Beast"

March 18 LC "The Next Normal: New Ways to Measure Engagement for Impact Webinar"

March 22 CPL "Introduction to Finding Grants "

March 25 CPL "VIRTUAL Grants Research Lab"

March 25 BKD "Life Beyond COVID-19: Nonprofit Strategies..."

March 29 CPL "VIRTUAL Introduction to Proposal Writing"

March 31 OC "Open Shopping Day"

March 31 CPL "VIRTUAL Advanced Funder Research Lab"

April 7 AFP "Powerful Marketing - Fundraising Partnership - Better Together"

April 15 AFP "Fundamentals of Fundraising Spring AFP 2021"

April 15 LC "Turn Data Into Dollars: How to Use Data to Strengthen Organizational Culture and Outcomes"

April 20 TTN "Building Resilience & Cultural Humility"

April 22 AFP "Fundamentals of Fundraising Spring 2021"

April 23 PBPO "COVID-19 Employment Compliance for Nonprofits"

April 27 TTN "Building Resilience & Cultural Humility"

April 28 OC "Open Shopping Day"

April 29 AFP "Fundamentals of Fundraising Spring 2021

Ongoing:

AFP <u>Networking and Knowledge Breakfast</u> - Normally the first Wednesday of the month (check website for exceptions)

PBPO Employment Helpline - First Thursday of the month

NOTES: Association of Fundraising Professionals: AFP; Board Connect: BC; Cincinnati Cares: CC; Cincinnati Public Library; CPL; Grant Professionals Assoc. GPA; Green Umbrella: GU; Interact for Health: IFH; Leadership Council for Nonprofits: LC; OneSource Center: OC; LC; Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio: PBPO; Social Venture Partners: SVP; Tristate Trauma Network: TTN; United Way of Greater Cincinnati: UWGC

Free Webinars for Nonprofits

"Life Beyond COVID-19: Nonprofit Strategies to Survive & Move Forward" facilitated by BKD CPAs & Advisors, Thursday, March 25, 2021, 3 - 4 p.m.

<u>"Foster an Inclusive Culture for Your LGBTQ+ Staff and Partners"</u> facilitated by Candid, Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

"Creative and Innovative Recognition Strategies for Today's Volunteers" hosted by VolunteerMatch, Wednesday March 24, 2021, 2 p.m.

Don't Forget Our Service Offerings

Consulting Services

OneSource volunteers offer <u>consulting services</u> to help with strategic plans, board development, employee coaching, and business solutions.

Training Opportunities

We support your staff development through <u>Building Blocks for Nonprofits</u> half-day seminars and multi-session leadership development programs offered through our partnership in the <u>Nonprofit Leadership Institute of Greater Cincinnati</u>. <u>Custom training</u> is also available.

OneSource Center Shoppers Club -- Furniture and Supplies

Gently used <u>furniture</u> and new <u>retail products</u> are available in our Shoppers Club. <u>Shoppers Club</u> members have everyday access; all other nonprofits are welcome to visit and shop on the last Wednesday of every month (unless otherwise noted.)

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