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

Equipment and Tools to help Nonprofits

Cincinnati ToolBank has moved!

Did you know that Cincinnati ToolBank has more than just tools? Audio visual equipment, tables, tablecloths, chairs, tents and more are also available in their inventory.

Recently relocated to 1682 E. Seymour Avenue in Roselawn between Paddock and Reading Road, the new facility offers enhanced storage capacity for additional donations of tools and equipment. (View a list of needed items here.)

The Cincinnati Community ToolBank, a OneSource Center collaborating partner, is a nonprofit tool lending program that serves charitable organizations by putting high-quality tools in the hands of the volunteers for projects, special events, facility repairs, grounds maintenance, mission trips, senior home repairs and community events. Availability to these tools enhances regional nonprofits in their capacity to serve, facilitating hands-on voluntarism in the greater Cincinnati area and empowering all nonprofits to perform larger, more ambitious, and more frequent service projects in the community. Since opening in 2012, the ToolBank has equipped more than 225,730 volunteers with more than $7.9 million worth of tools and equipment. A list of available tools is available here.

Membership is minimal (based on a nonprofit's annual budget) and once an agency has completed the application process, they can then check out tools online in one-week increments for up to eight weeks at a time for a small handling fee equivalent to 3% of
By housing, maintaining, and lending tools to charitable organizations, the ToolBank enables nonprofit agencies to be more efficient, productive and to complete more skilled volunteer projects.

Call to arrange for a visit of the new facility and spread the word about its availability to nonprofits in the region.

Budgeting for 2020
Training: An Investment in People

$25 and 4 hours can really pay off. This is the cost for just one way to reap rewards in employee satisfaction and retention, not to mention increasing staff skills. Investing in training and development opportunities is an effective way to boost employee satisfaction and retention. Providing employees with opportunities to increase knowledge and develop skills makes them feel valued. It gives them a sense of being recognized for their potential, a sense of being invested in. Remember to include funding for training in your 2020 budget – it will be a great investment! OneSource Center offers several cost-effective training programs. Additional training opportunities from our partners are all included on this central nonprofit training calendar.

**OneSource Center "Building Blocks for Nonprofits" Workshops**
These capacity-building workshops are offered monthly on a variety of topics. Cost is only $25 for members and $35 for non-members if you take advantage of early bird registration discount. The full 2020 schedule will be released shortly; January’s session is on Fundraising. (See related article below.)

**Nonprofit Leadership Institute of Greater Cincinnati (NLIGC)**
OneSource partners with Talbert House in offering these leadership development training programs. NLIGC offers three levels of extended leadership development training for nonprofit leaders and staffs throughout the year. The programs are designed to strengthen and develop management and leadership skills leading to expanded productivity, job happiness and positive impact on the nonprofits they serve. Two class offerings begin in January:

- **ADVANCE** for mid-level supervisors. *The six half-day session program begins Jan. 7, 2020 (Winter program) and March 24, 2020 (Spring program).* More details about ADVANCE are here. Cost: $375 per participant. The training consists of mini lectures, relying on research from experts, along with significant experiential learning, practical exercises and group discussions.

- **LEARN** for supervised employees. *The six half-day session program begins Jan. 9, 2020 (Winter program) and March 26, 2020 (Spring program)* More details about LEARN are here. Cost: $250.00 per participant

A third program, **EXCEL**, designed for executive-level leadership, begins in September 2020 however information and applications are available throughout the year.

**Feedback from an ADVANCE class:**

"This course helped me manage my staff better"

"This course made me more effective in my job"

"Sharing tough situations made me feel that I'm not alone"

"This course was so helpful in being able to evaluate my leadership style"
Have additional questions about NLIGC programs? Contact John Hauck at NLIGC.

BOLD Program
Building Stronger Nonprofit Boards

Interested in strengthening the skills of current board members, or developing an up and coming candidate into the perfect board member? The BOLD Program (Board Orientation & Leadership Development) is designed to help develop community leaders through:

- 6 sessions (with topics like legal responsibilities, fund development, outcome measurements, the nonprofit landscape, board roles and more!)
- Exclusive access to board placement opportunities through BoardConnect (formerly BoardBank) and Cincinnati Cares
- Two events in the spring comprised of 30 participants each
- Networking opportunities to meet leaders in the corporate and nonprofit sectors

Application deadline for the Winter session is Jan. 3. The Winter session runs Thursdays from Thursdays | Feb 6 - Mar 19. For more details, click here.

Grant Information

Find more information and links to these opportunities on the OneSource Calendar

Letters of Intent for Impact 100 are due December 13 at noon. The organization focuses on nonprofits in the Greater Cincinnati Tri-state area. Grants are in the area of culture, environment, family, health and wellness and education.

The application period for the Duke Energy K-12 Education Grant ends on January 31. These grants support programs to address the summer reading loss experienced by rising kindergartners through rising third-graders and programs that advance energy, engineering and environmental education through student programming or teacher professional development.

Upcoming Trainings and Events

Bookmark the OneSource Center combined training calendar to find events, training opportunities AND registration information ALL in one place for OneSource Center and our collaborating partners. (NOTE: PBPO: Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio; AFP: Association of Fundraising Professionals; CPL: Cincinnati Public Library; Interact: Interact for Health, LC: Leadership Council)

December 9 CPL: Introduction to Finding Grants
December 10 Interact: Grant Writing 101: The Basics and a Bit Beyond
December 11 AFP: Small World, Big Money
December 14 CPL: Grant Research Lab
December 16 CPL: Introduction to Proposal Writing
December 18 OneSource Center Open Shopping Day
January 16 OneSource Center: Fundraising Nuts & Bolts
January 29 OneSource Center Open Shopping Day

For details for all opportunities can be found on the OneSource Nonprofit Community
Featured Training
Fundraising Nuts & Bolts to Rev Up Your Development Engine

OneSource Center’s January Building Blocks seminar will help you maximize fundraising success through this timeless course that teaches the tried-and-true practical skills of effective fundraising. Strengthen fundraising abilities by learning proven fund development tools, and draft a specific fundraising plan to grow your organization’s development efforts.

Presenter: As Senior Director of Development at Children, Inc., Jordan Huizenga brings fresh insight and enthusiasm to the development field utilizing current trends, metrics and data to develop donor and fundraising strategies. Jordan brings insightful first-hand understanding of building relationships with funders and supporters and suggestions for consideration to this month’s presentation.

Date: January 16, 2020, 9:00 a.m. - Noon

BUILDING BLOCKS LOCATION CHANGE!
The location of the popular OneSource Center "Building Blocks" seminars is changing in 2020! Beginning in January 2020, the new location will be centrally located at the beautiful TriHealth Baldwin Building at 625 Eden Park Drive on the 12th floor. Workshop sessions will include coffee and hot tea service. (Participants who wish to purchase additional items may visit the building’s 12th floor snack bar, or the lobby café.) Parking is free in the building’s parking lot.

A full calendar of OneSource Center Building Blocks workshops will be available online shortly. Future workshops range from marketing plan development to team building and grant writing. Bookmark it here!

Register

Special thanks to OneSource Center Building Blocks sponsor TriHealth for the generous use of this training facility for nonprofit leadership development.
Family-Friendly Holiday Ideas
Help nonprofit clients spread holiday cheer by suggesting a link to free family activities around the region. Suggestions range from holiday displays to light shows to Christmas parades. The Cincinnati Parent website offers 50 free things to do in Cincinnati on a budget. Check it out!

Don't Forget Our Service Offerings

Consulting Services
OneSource volunteers offer consulting services to help with strategic plans, board development, employee coaching, and business solutions.

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

OneSource Center Furniture Bank/Marketplace
Gently used furniture and new retail products are available in our warehouse. Shopper’s Club Members have everyday access; all other nonprofits are welcome to visit and shop on the last Wednesday of every month.

Contact us or visit our website to learn more!

Meet Our Collaborating Partners

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