

Non-Profit Resource Guide

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Recommended Books

Forces For Good: The Six Practices of High-Impact Nonprofits (2007)

By Leslie Crutchfield and Heather McLeod Grant

The two authors of this bestselling book spent years interviewing non-profit CEO's to discover what makes a successful non-profit. They focused on twelve organizations, including Teach for America and City Year, and examined six key practices that were critical to their impact. The results are incredible, and this book is a starting point for anyone interested in social entrepreneurship.

How to Manage an Effective Nonprofit Organization: From Writing and Managing Grants to Fundraising, Board Development, and Strategic Planning (2005)

By Michael A. Sand

This is a go-to guide for anyone involved in a non-profit. The author has almost three decades of non-profit management under his belt, and he provides practical advice for a variety of issues: running effective board meetings, maximizing fundraising opportunities, and managing personnel and volunteers.

The Influential Fundraiser: Using the Psychology of Persuasion to Achieve Outstanding Results (2008)

By Bernard Ross and Claire Segal

This brand new book offers a fresh and methodical take on fundraising using concrete techniques. The authors apply cutting edge developments in psychology and neurology to effective fundraising skills, and also outline a model of 5 P's: Passion, Proposal, Preparation, Persuasion, and Persistence.

Momentum: Igniting Social Change in the Connected Age (2007)

By Allison Fine

A captivating take on how social media can foster a more connected level of activism. The author provides tools for using social media to promote social change and uses examples from progressive organizations, such as MoveOn.org and MeetUp.com to illustrate the powerful effect of "connected activism."

The One Page Business Plan for Non-Profit Organizations (2007)

By James T. Horan Jr.

This book is a great resource for executive directors and boards. It provides an effective methodology that includes strategies, action plans, and objectives as well a personal assessment.

ROI For Nonprofits: The New Key to Sustainability (2007)

By T. Ralser

This books helps non-profit executives focus on organizational sustainability and offers proven theories on fundraising. Numerous case studies show how to leverage investors from for-profit sector.

Online Career Resources

CareerLeader

www.careerleader.com

This is a web-based career assessment tool that measures your interests and abilities.

The Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship (CASE)

www.caseatduke.org

A part of Duke University, this site is a great resource for knowledge about social entrepreneurship.

Charity Navigator

www.charitynavigator.org

A great starting point for the non-profit novice, this site details the finances of over 5,000 organizations.

VolunteerMatch

www.volunteermatch.org

An online resource for finding volunteer opportunities worldwide.

Online Guides and Papers

The Bridgespan Group

www.bridgespan.org

Bridgespan's slogan is, "Helping nonprofits and philanthropy achieve breakthrough strategy, leadership, and results," and this non-profit's website does just that. Streamlined and organized, this is a one-stop shop for articles, case studies, and additional resources on every non-profit sector.

GuideStar: The 2008 GuideStar Nonprofit Compensation Report

www.guidestar.org/services/compstudy

This site offers a breakdown of financial data for over 650,000 non-profits. It is also an excellent resource for profiles on organizations and articles on philanthropy.

Idealist: The Idealist Guide to Nonprofit Careers for Sector Switchers

www.idealists.org/en/career/guide/sectorswitcher

The staff of Idealist.org and industry experts wrote this free and informative booklet on how to transition into non-profits. Consider this a crash course in non-profits that includes critical thinking tools for every sector switcher.

Non-Profit News Sources

Blue Avocado

www.blueavocado.org

A non-profit online magazine for community non-profits that emails a newsletter twice a month to subscribers.

The Chronicle of Philanthropy

www.philanthropy.com

The ultimate resource in non-profit news, with everything from national job boards to pod casts.

Harvest Today

www.harvesttoday.org

This site gathers news from over 200 philanthropy websites.

Non-Profit Quarterly

www.nonprofitquarterly.org

This magazine offers an excellent website where you can access all of their articles on non-profit management.

onPhilanthropy

www.onphilanthropy.com

Articles, newsletters, reports, and white papers on non-profits and philanthropy as well as a job board with updated postings.

Philanthropy Journal

www.philanthropyjournal.org

Daily online news source with additional features such as events announcements, a conference calendar, and a popular job board.

Stanford Social Innovation Review

www.ssireview.org

This magazine is part of the Graduate School of Business and offers excellent information on social innovation.

The Non-Profit Times

www.nptimes.com

Leading business journal for non-profits with free access to its archives.

Blogs and Websites

Alltop

www.alltop.com

The ultimate online aggregator, search for topics like fundraising, human rights, or social entrepreneurship and get the most up-to-the-minute news.

Bridgestar

www.bridgestar.org

Bridgestar is the career arm of the Bridgespan Group, where you can access a free non-profit management job board, articles, and tools for pursuing a career in non-profit leadership.

Compasspoint

www.compasspoint.org

This consulting, research, and training organization provides non-profits with management tools, strategies, and resources for leading community change.

Council on Foundations

www.cof.org

This website is an excellent resource for everything for upcoming conferences and job openings, to professional development articles and insights.

Creating the Future!

www.hildygottlieb.com

Written by Hildy Gottlieb, author of the book, *The Pollyanna Principles: Why Nonprofits Have Not Changed the World and How They Can* (2008).

Echoing Green

www.echoinggreen.org

Echoing Green provides seed funding and support to social entrepreneurs, and the website is filled with news and information on social entrepreneurship.

The Fundraising Coach

www.fundraisingcoach.com

This website's founder is Marc A. Pitman, author of the book *Ask Without Fear!* and an expert on successful fundraising.

GuideStar

www.guidestar.org

This is a centralized database of financial information about non-profit organizations, useful for non-profits, donors, media, researchers, and businesses.

Grantmakers Without Borders

www.internationaldonors.org

This is a network of foundations and donors that advocate for global social change, and the website provides a variety of information on social change philanthropy jobs, conferences and workshops to attend, as well as advice for grantseekers and grantmakers.

Leader to Leader Institute

www.pfdf.org

This is the successor to the Peter Drucker Foundation for Nonprofit Management, founded to promote leadership in the nonprofit sector. It has many excellent articles and resources.

New Voices Of Philanthropy

www.newvoicesofphilanthropy.org

This blog is run by Trista Harris, Executive Director of the Headwaters Foundation for Justice, who offers a fresh take on non-profit leadership news.

Non-Profit Leadership 601

www.nonprofitleadership601.blogspot.com

This is written by a non-profit manager and consultant who actively attends conferences and symposiums. She discusses the critical topics addressed, and also blogs about news.

The NonProfit Times Blog

www.nptimes.blogspot.com

The blog for the NonProfit Times with frequent updates on non-profit management news.

Social Entrepreneurship

www.socialentrepreneurship.change.org

This blog is featured on the Change.org website and the author is seriously keyed into newsworthy items. He updates daily and offers a fresh take on social entrepreneurship.

TechSoup

www.techsoup.org

The go-to site for technical information designed specifically for non-profits. It also connects to TechSoup Stock where you can find donated and discounted technology products.

Groups and Associations

Africa Grantmakers

www.africagrantmakers.org

A network of funders who support foundation work and grant making in Africa.

Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy (AAPIP)

www.aapip.org

This is a national membership and philanthropic advocacy organization dedicated to advancing Asian American/Pacific Islander communities.

The Association of Black Foundation Executives (ABFE)

www.abfe.org

Founded by black executives in the 1970s, this organization promotes diverse leadership in philanthropy.

Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP)

www.afpnet.org

AFP is the ultimate resource for development and represents more than 30,000 members in 200 chapters worldwide. Find your local chapter to access news and job openings, or post your resume.

The Association of Small Foundations (ASF)

www.smallfoundations.org

This membership organization provides resources and education for 3,000 foundations that have less than five people on staff.

The Communications Network

www.comnetwork.org

This site focuses on non-profit communications and offers a variety of resources on how to effectively and strategically strengthen foundation and non-profit communicators. It maintains two blogs, including one focused on web 2.0's impact on foundation communications and a PDF publication titled "Are We There Yet? A Communications Evaluation Guide".

Disability Funders Network

www.disabilityfunders.org

This is a national membership and philanthropic advocacy organization that provides resources, news, and job alerts for the disabled.

The Environmental Grantmakers Association (EGA)

www.ega.org

This association of foundations works to strengthen the field of environmental philanthropy.

Funders for Lesbian and Gay Issues

www.lgbtfunders.org

This network of funders works to improve rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) individuals and communities using philanthropic resources.

Hispanics in Philanthropy (HIP)

www.hiponline.org

HIP strives to engage the Latino community by increasing participation and leadership throughout the field of philanthropy.

LinkedIn: Non Profit Professionals Group

www.linkedin.com/groups

LinkedIn has many regional groups that allow non-profit professionals of all levels (full time or part time) to network with each other. It is a way to stay connected between professional conferences and a source of ideas.

The National Council of Nonprofits

www.councilofnonprofits.org

This is a membership-based network of state and regional non-profit associations that serve over 20,000 organizations.

onPhilanthropy: Future Leaders in Philanthropy (FLiP)

www.flip.onphilanthropy.com

FLiP is an online community run by the international philanthropic consulting company Changing Our World, Inc., where people can network and exchange ideas.

Women & Philanthropy

www.womenphil.org

This network of women philanthropists dates back to 1977 and provides members with research, events, and philanthropic services.

National Job Sites

AFP - National

www.afpnet.org

AFP - Austin Chapter

www.afpaustin.org

AFP - Chicago Chapter

www.afpchicago.org

AFP - DC Chapter

www.afpdc.org

AFP - Golden Gate Chapter

www.afp-ggc.org

AFP - Houston Chapter

www.afphouston.org

AFP - Los Angeles

www.afpglac.org

Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy (AAPIP)

www.aapip.org

The Association of Black Foundation Executives (ABFE)

www.abfe.org

Bay Area Edupreneurs

[www.bestdiscussiongroups.com/gr_bayarea-
edupreneurs](http://www.bestdiscussiongroups.com/gr_bayarea-edupreneurs)

Bridgestar

www.bridgestar.org

Craigslist – Nonprofit Sector

www.craigslist.org

Chronicle of Higher Education

www.chronicle.com

Chronicle of Philanthropy

www.careers.philanthropy.com

The Communications Network

www.comnetwork.org

Council on Foundations

www.cof.org

Disability Funders Network

www.disabilityfunders.org

Education Week

www.edweek.org

ExecSearches

www.execsearches.com

Feminist Majority

www.feminist.org

Grantmakers Without Borders

www.internationaldonors.org

HireDiversity

www.hirediversity.com

Hispanics in Philanthropy (HIP)

www.hiponline.org



Idealist

www.idealist.org

LatPro

www.latpro.com

National Urban League

www.nul.org

Net Impact

www.jobs.netimpact.org

Nonprofit Jobs Cooperative

www.nonprofitjobscoop.org

On Philanthropy

www.dotorjobs.com

Opportunity Knocks

www.opportunitynoocs.org

Philanthropy News Digest – The Job Corner

www.foundationcenter.org

Teach for America

www.teachforamerica.org

Work 4 A Good Cause

www.work4agoodcause.com

Workplace Diversity

www.workplacediversity.com

Young Non Profit Professionals

www.ynpn.org