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This E-Broadcast is a service of the OMG Center for Collaborative Learning as part of the Pew Fund Capacity Building Program. It provides useful resources and information on capacity building topics, as well as information on upcoming deadlines for potential and current Pew Fund Capacity Building awardees.

Resources on financial management and planning

The Pew Fund Capacity Building Program is committed to helping organizations improve their capacity to manage and leverage finances effectively. Assessment, planning, and development of financial systems, as well as skills-building for financial officers can help agencies stabilize and grow their financial operations. Coupled with outcomes data, reliable data on the real costs of operations and service delivery can help organizations strengthen their services in this era of financial limitations. Financial data are also key organizational management tools and essential for fundraising, as are effective fundraising systems. Pew Fund Capacity Building support can be used by organizations for “Financial Management and Planning,” which includes the development of effective reporting systems, streamlining service delivery expenses, initiating entrepreneurial ventures, or strengthening other financial management and fundraising capacities. This E-Broadcast highlights resources available for those considering a capacity building project in this area.

Resources available online:

Basic Guide to Non-Profit Financial Management:

http://www.managementhelp.org/finance/np_fnce/np_fnce.htm

Charities Need Long-Term Fund-Raising Vision:

<http://www.bridgespan.org/LearningCenter/ResourceDetail.aspx?id=6150>

Facing the Financial Crisis: 10 Smart Things Your Board Can Do Now

<http://www.boardsource.org/Spotlight.asp?ID=116.463>

Nonprofit Analysis Toolkit: Six Steps to Finding the True Costs of Programs:

<http://tinyurl.com/2bv5u32>

Outrun the Recession:

http://www.ssireview.org/images/articles/2010WI_FirstPerson_Recession.pdf

Ten Nonprofit Funding Models:

http://www.ssireview.org/pdf/2009SP_Feature_Foster_Kim_Christiansen.pdf

The Nonprofit Starvation Cycle:

http://www.ssireview.org/images/articles/2009FA_feature_Gregory_Howard.pdf

Books:

Bell, Jeanne and Schaffer, Elizabeth. *Financial Leadership for Nonprofit Executives: Guiding Your Organization to Long-term Success*. St. Paul: Fieldstone Alliance, 2005.

Blazek, Jody. *Nonprofit Financial Planning Made Easy*. Hoboken, NJ: Jon Wiley and Sons, 2008.

Dropkin, Murray, Halpin, Jim, and La Touche, Bill. *The Budget-Building Book for Nonprofits: A Step-by-Step Guide for Managers and Boards*. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2007.

Linzer, Richard S. and Linzer, Anna O. *Cash Flow Strategies: Innovation in Nonprofit Financial Management*. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2007.

Upcoming events

Save the date! On July 29th, from 8:30am-12:00pm, the OMG Center will host a panel discussion available to all Pew Fund grantees about working successfully with a consultant to build capacity. Look for registration materials in your email!

Additional information and deadlines

The deadline for proposals for Pew Fund Capacity Building awards has passed. Successful applicants will be notified of their selection for capacity building awards in mid July. The next request for letters of inquiry will be released in September 2010. Check our website for more information: www.omgcenter.org/pcbp.shtml

Interim financial reports for Fall 2009 Pew Fund Capacity Building projects are due August 6th. Final reports for Spring 2009 Pew Fund Capacity Building projects are due August 31st. The financial report form and narrative report guidelines can be found on our website: www.omgcenter.org/pcbp_reporting.shtml

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