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GPLH Quarterly Newsletter March 2024

UPCOMING GPLH EVENTS

We are excited to let you know about the following programs we have coming up. Mark your calendars and be on the lookout for email invitations for each program. Remember: GPLH members can attend all of our events for FREE. So if you haven't already joined, do so today at [this link](#). If you have any questions, or suggestions for programs you'd like us to offer, please send us an email: info.gplh@gmail.com.

GPLH Connections Calls

Every other month GPLH schedules a ZOOM session which is an open forum discussion. Participants ask questions, get advice from and support one another, share info, and more. This is a "members only" event - all members are welcome!

Our next Connections Call is scheduled for April 11 at 8:30 am. [Learn more here.](#)

Grant Budgets

Thurs., March 7, noon-1pm ~ ZOOM

This program will cover any questions you ever had about grant budgets. Topics will include projects versus programs, cash versus in-kind, match/cost share, overhead and indirect costs, accounting for personnel and volunteer costs, and much more.

[Click here for details and registration.](#)

The NonProfit Audit and 990

This is Part II of the session previously presented by Beth Zolkind, former CFO of The Robin Hood Foundation. Beth spent years educating Program Officers at Robin Hood Foundation about what to look for when evaluating the financial health of nonprofits. The financial picture grantees present is often carefully reviewed. Grant writers might spend their time focusing on the narrative, but inconsistencies or red flags in the accompanying financial documents can easily derail a request for funding.

Date and details coming soon!

GPLH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcing our 2024 Board of Directors

The GPLH Board of Directors is a talented, dedicated group of professionals who volunteer their time to ensure that GPLH is a vibrant and effective organization that brings benefits and enrichment to our members.

We are proud to introduce you to our 2024 GPLH Board of Directors. [Read all about them here.](#)

Become a GPLH Member Today

If you're not yet a member of GPLH...you don't have to miss out on the benefits of membership any longer!

For just \$100/year, members become part of the region's premier grant writing association. Members-only benefits include:

- No-cost access to expert-led educational programs
- A "members-only" archive of past webinars
- Targeted emails with grant writing and consulting job opportunities
- A collegial and helpful group of seasoned grant professionals who share resources and valuable advice on our Connections Calls
- And more!

[Click here to read members' stories and join GPLH today.](#)

Join GPLH!

Member Spotlight

Tamar Jacobson, Foundation Grants Manager at Feeding Westchester, shares why being a GPLH member has been valuable to her and her work:

"I've found my membership in GPLH to be extremely useful and relevant to my work. Having a forum for respectful real-time collaboration where insights and opportunities can be shared has helped me grow professionally. I have applied to new grant opportunities as a result of what I learn in the monthly calls, and learned more about best practices related to government grants, project management and more."

[Join GPLH today.](#)



Seeking Volunteers

A great way to become involved in GPLH and make a real difference is by volunteering to be a **committee member**. The time involved is not great, but the return is.

Our Board and committee members are a supportive group of people who are terrific to work with! It's a great way to get to know other professionals in our field.

We are especially interested in volunteers to help with:

- Fundraising
- Communications/Social media

To learn more, [click here](#) for a brief description of our committees.

Questions? Send us a note at info.GPLH@gmail.com. Or, use [this form](#) to nominate yourself.

Be A GPLH Sponsor

Our Sponsorship Program offers the opportunity to make a difference in the community by helping to fund our programs throughout the year. We offer several different sponsor levels to fit any budget.

Our newest level is Consultant Sponsors: Has GPLH helped you procure clients or provided valuable connections and resources? Are you looking for new ways to get your name out there? Broadcast your business by becoming a GPLH Sponsor.

Consultant Sponsors get their logo and a link to their website on our website home page and sponsor page, and as in each of our quarterly newsletters. At \$150/year, it's good for your business and it's also good for GPLH.

[Click here](#) to learn about ALL of our sponsor levels and to join as a new sponsor today!



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Scholarships

We are pleased to offer scholarships for a one-year membership to GPLH, courtesy of our founder Lydia Howie. [Learn about eligibility and how to apply here.](#)

Are you following us on LinkedIn?

Join our LinkedIn community of grant writing professionals where we share successes, news and upcoming events. [Find our LinkedIn page here.](#)



DID YOU KNOW?

Resources To Help You Find Grants

Did you know that on our website, we have a page filled with a wide range of sites and sources for possible grant funding? Government funding sources; foundation databases, lists and directories; grant alerts you can sign up for; and more.

[Visit the grant seeking resources page on our website.](#)

NEWS YOU CAN USE

2024 Westchester Women's Summit

The Westchester Women's Summit (WWS) is back for its 4th year on **Friday, March 15** at the Sonesta in White Plains. Keynote speaker will be Andrea Navedo, Actress, Producer, Advocate and Author of "Our Otherness Is Our Strength."

WWS is a full day conference that brings together inspiring women to share knowledge, tools, community and wisdom. Attendees will learn from the experts and network with changemakers. The goal is to inspire empowerment to create positive change – in oneself and the greater community. This unique and challenging conference also is a place for self-discovery and growth, where women can support each other in a judgment-free zone.

It is a place to find balance and direction; a place to make and find goals. [Learn more and register here.](#)

Nonprofit Matters – It's Time for Your Nonprofit Check-up

Join Nonprofit Westchester on **March 21** for the launch of the Nonprofit Health Assessment. This new tool will provide your nonprofit with a way to conduct organizational assessments as well as other resources. [Learn more and register here.](#)

RFA Announcement

From NY State Division of Criminal Justice through the Securing Communities Against Hate Crimes Program. **Deadline: May 17 at 12 noon.** This funding will allow organizations at risk of hate crimes or attacks because of their ideology, beliefs or mission to strengthen safety and security for employees and individuals they serve. Eligible organizations may apply for up to \$200,000 to fund improvements to their physical security and cybersecurity. [Learn more here.](#)

2024 Nonprofit Leadership Summit

This year's United Way of Westchester and Putnam Nonprofit Leadership Summit will be held, in person and virtually, on **Tuesday, April 9th**, at the PepsiCo Theater at the Performing Arts Center of SUNY Purchase. Ticket pricing is the same as last year: In-person tickets \$75/person (\$65/person if you order five or more tickets); Virtual-only tickets for \$25/person. Watch for scholarships for much smaller organizations serving traditionally underserved communities and that are led by BIPOC leaders. [Learn more and register here.](#)

NYS Grants Gateway Retired

On January 9, New York State retired the Grants Gateway and moved to the Statewide Financial System (SFS). For more information about the transition and how it might affect you, visit <https://grantsmanagement.ny.gov/transition-SFS>. To log into your account on SFS and check your existing grant profile, visit <https://esupplier.sfs.ny.gov>.



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