

# Grant Professionals of Lower Hudson



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## GPLH Quarterly Newsletter March 2023

### 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 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, suggestions for programs you'd like us to offer, or would like to join our program committee, please send us an email: [info.gplh@gmail.com](mailto:info.gplh@gmail.com).

### **Put Your Best Foot Forward: Preparing for Site Visits ~ Thurs., March 9, noon ~ ZOOM**

Whether you are on the organization side, or the funder side, being prepared is the best way to make a site visit successful. This webinar will offer strategies, tactics and best practices. Speaker: Melissa Clark, VP of Community Impact at United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region.

[Click here to register.](#)

### **GPLH Connections Call ~ April 19, 8:30 am ~ ZOOM**

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. All **members** are welcome!

**Our next Connections Call is scheduled for April 19. [Learn more here.](#)**

### **All About Certifications ~ Thurs., June 8 ~ ZOOM**

There are various certifications you can choose to earn as a grant writer: CFRE (Certified Fundraising Executive); GPC (Grant Professional Certification); M/WBE (Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise) Will obtaining these credentials help you be more successful? What are the pros and cons of each? What are the costs? We'll discuss all of these issues in this webinar. **Details and registration coming soon.**

### **Giving Tuesday: Yay or Nay? ~ July (date TDB) ~ ZOOM**

**To be offered in collaboration with [ADO](#), for GPLH and ADO members only.**

Giving Tuesday usually involves the entire fundraising team, including grant writers who are asked to write copy. Are folks finding that it's impactful? Is Giving Tuesday worth the

time and effort grant writers and other staff give? Join us for this peer-led group discussion. ***Details and registration coming soon.***

## **GPLH Announcements**

### **Announcing our 2023 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 announce our 2023 GPLH Board of Directors. [Meet our Board of Directors.](#)

### **Be a GPLH Sponsor**

Our Sponsorship Program offers the opportunity to make a difference in the community by helping to fund our programs and services throughout the year. To show our appreciation, GPLH acknowledges our sponsors through a variety of valuable benefits. ***To learn more about sponsorship, including our different sponsor levels and the benefits they bring, [click here.](#)***

### **Let's Celebrate Our Successes!**

We'd like to share your success stories on [our LinkedIn page](#). This way we can celebrate with you, while offering encouragement and inspiration to our fellow grant writers. **Any time you win a grant and you'd like us to share it on LinkedIn, send an email to GPLH Board Member Laura Newman at [lnewman@neighborslink.org](mailto:lnewman@neighborslink.org).** In your email, include the following info: your name and title; the organization you won the grant for; the amount of the grant; a brief summary of the purpose. We look forward to hearing about your work!

### **GPLH Membership Scholarships Available**

Thanks to our founder Lydia Howie, we have a limited number of one-year membership scholarships for those new to the grant writing field or currently unemployed but seeking work in the field. GPLH membership brings with it many exclusive benefits to enhance your career and grant-writing skills. [Learn more here.](#)

### **Benefits of GPLH Membership: A Personal Perspective**

The best way to understand the value of being a GPLH member is through the stories of members who have benefited from what we have to offer. So, we asked Molly Gibeau-Griffin, LMSW, Foundation Director at Jawonio, to share her personal perspective about what you gain as a GPLH member. [Read Molly's story.](#)

## **Did You Know?**

### **We Have Resources to Help You Gather Data**

One of the useful tools you'll find on our website is a page listing resources offering data that can be very useful when writing your grant proposals. Some resources are local, others are regional or national.

Check out our [data research resources](#). And, if you know of other resources you think we should add, please send us an email: [info.gplh@gmail.com](mailto:info.gplh@gmail.com).

## **News You Can Use**

## 2023 Nonprofit Leadership Summit

United Way of Westchester and Putnam's Annual Nonprofit Leadership Summit will be held in a hybrid capacity on Tuesday, April 4, at The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College in Purchase, NY. Keynote speakers are Asha Curran, founder and CEO of GivingTuesday, and Carla Harris, whose 2018 TedTalk about mentorship has over 4.7 million views. [Learn more here.](#)

### Lessons Learned

No matter how long you've been a grant writer, there can be times when experience teaches you a lesson about something you didn't know. One of the benefits of GPLH membership is that we can share these lessons learned along the way with one another. In this edition of "Lessons Learned," a member shares an important lesson learned the hard way. [Read about Lessons Learned.](#)

### Professional Ethics

In our December 2002 webinar "Ethical Grant Management," in addition to talking about how to make sure you're in alignment with funders requirements, we also broached broader issues related to ethics, fundraising, and grant writing. As a follow up, take a look at the **Grant Professionals Association Code of Ethics**. See what pops out to you! [Download a pdf copy.](#)

### NonProfit Westchester Racial Literacy Guide

NonProfit Westchester has compiled a Racial Literacy Guide, which contains definitions of terms that might be useful while writing grants. [View the guide here.](#)

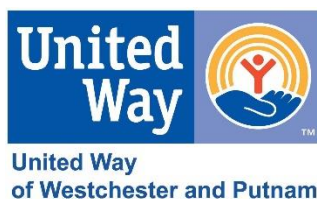
### Free Equipment and Office Furniture for Nonprofits

Green Standards is a project management firm that focuses on sustainability, circular economy and giving back to the community. Through their nonprofit donation program, you can sign up to learn when free office furniture or equipment is available in your area. [Learn more and sign up here.](#)



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