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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 for building capacity

Increasing organizational capacity is critically important to the delivery of health and human services, yet finding funds to support such work can be challenging. Over the past five years, the Pew Fund Capacity Building Program has responded to this need among area nonprofits by awarding over 100 capacity building grants. This E-Broadcast provides some additional resources and tools for locating opportunities to fund or offset the costs of projects that build nonprofit capacity.

Resources available online:

Connelly Foundation—provides grants toward costs associated with programs, direct services, general operations, and capital projects
<http://www.connellyfdn.org/>

Grants for Capacity Building, Management & Technical Assistance (available for purchase)
http://foundationcenter.org/marketplace/catalog/product_downloadable.jhtml?id=prod2360006

Regional Foundation Center
<http://libwww.freelibrary.org/rfc/>

TechSoup—a great resource for donated and deeply discounted technology products
<http://www.techsoup.org/stock/gettingstarted/default.asp>

The Foundation Center's Proposal Writing Short Course
<http://foundationcenter.org/getstarted/tutorials/shortcourse/index.html>

The Philadelphia Foundation: Organizational Effectiveness and General Operating Support Grants
<https://www.philafound.org/tabid/237/Default.aspx>

Writing Proposals for Capacity Building
<http://www.tgci.com/magazine/Writing%20Proposals%20for%20Capacity%20Building.pdf>

Journal articles:

Boice, Jacklyn P. "Better Building Blocks." *Advancing Philanthropy*, Vol. 50 (June 2005). p. 16-19.

Millesen, Judith L.; Bies, L. (2007) "Nonprofit capacity building: who is doing what for whom and to what end?". *Journal for Nonprofit Management*, Vol. 11 (2007). p. 18-27.

Upcoming events

Friday, November 12, 2010—"Demystifying the Consulting Process," A Free Workshop Presented by the Nonprofit Center and Philadelphia Foundation:
<http://www.eventbrite.com/event/916644709>

Save the date! On the morning of Thursday, December 2nd, OMG will host its third Pew Fund Capacity Building workshop of the year. Be on the lookout for more information soon!

Additional information

The deadline for letters of inquiry (LOI) to apply for a Pew Fund Capacity Building award has passed. Applicants have been notified of their selection to submit a full proposal. Proposals are due Friday, November 12th, by 5:00 PM. If you missed this opportunity, the next announcement for LOIs will be released in March 2011. Check our website for more information: www.omgcenter.org/pcbp.shtml

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www.omgcenter.org/pcbp_res.shtml#ebroadcasts