



NonProfit
HelpDesk



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SO YOU STARTED A NONPROFIT: NOW WHAT?!

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NONPROFIT HELPDESK

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You Ask, We Answer: NYC Council Discretionary Expense Funding

Tomorrow • 6:30 PM EDT

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Nonprofit Excellence - Top 10 Best Practices for Nonprofit Organizations

Tue, May 27 • 12:00 PM EDT

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Wed, May 28 • 6:30 PM EDT

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Submitting the HHS Prequalification (PQL) Application

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Getting Started with Grants

Tue, Jun 10 • 12:00 PM EDT

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Navigating NYC PASSPort for Nonprofits

Tue, Jun 10 • 6:30 PM EDT

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NYC Council Discretionary Expense Funding: Contracting & Reimbursement

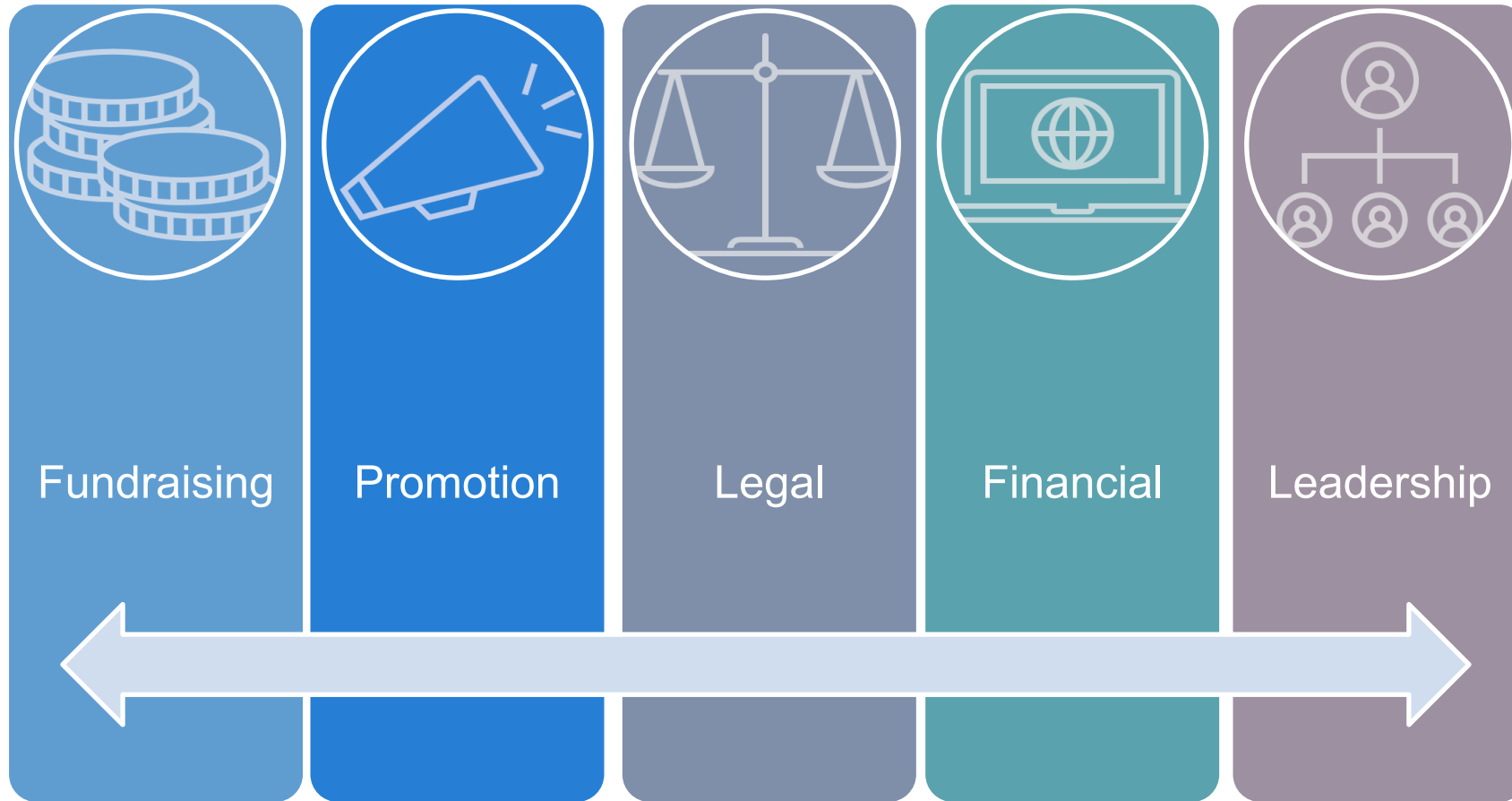
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Tough Love for New Nonprofits



AttractiveStrawberry2397
February 22 · 🌐

Hello!

I've had no luck finding a fiscal sponsor . I've emailed a few companies but it seems like such a hassle.

Our goal is to provide free dental care to underserved communities across the globe. Our first mission will be in Uganda, if we can get funding.

I wanted a fiscal sponsor for my first year as a charity mainly for them to handle the paperwork and receive donations on my behalf.

I plan to have my own 501 but I don't have any board members and it will take months to be approved.

In addition I live/travel between two states so I don't even know where to file. I'm between Louisiana and Florida-equally.

I just want to get the ball rolling and hope I can do my first mission by September. Goal to raise is about \$40k to \$50k.

I have volunteers ready to go, in addition to a clinic in Uganda awaiting our arrival.

Dawn Allison · Follow
April 19 at 9:59 PM · 🌐

Sorry for the long post.. I created a non profit and wanted to open a men's substance abuse residential facility (rehab). I just got my letter for the non profit status (yeah). I intended to bill insurances and my area is small town, below poverty area so the majority of the pts will be Medicaid.. so in working on the licensure (which takes months) I found out that there is a 'probationary period' of 6 months where I won't get reimbursed for those patients (Medicaid/medicate/VA), during that 6 months period NOR ever! So with my region being estimated 85% Medicaid and a mix of commercial/medicare/VA there's not much hope of keeping full and paying all the expenses during that 6 months (roughly \$50,000/month). I did get approved for a business loan that is to buy the facility, renovate it, get IT systems in etc and a little bit of a cushion for the first month or so of expenses but not enough for this! So then I thought maybe I can fin some grants but grants want you to be in business first. Any solution for raising this type of money?

Trudy Johnson · Follow
April 24 at 1:21 PM · 🌐

Good afternoon. I have a very new non profit, its a serving ministry. Serving at risk, shut ins, vets, families and seniors in any capacity available to us. We are serving about 200 meals a day donation from a construction site. I need it badly. This is helping us feed 4 counties of needy people. I need operational funds. Gas is outrageous. Asking people or even myself to contribute is impossible. I myself use 4 tanks of gas a week. And we need coolers a lot and a storage building. Any ideas? Any direction would be wonderful!



Jack_of_all_trades
April 24 at 9:33 PM · 🌐

Hey everyone! I'm just now starting a nonprofit, very new, still haven't applied for my 501(c)3 yet. My question is how do I start to try to get sponsors/ donors/ funding? I am trying to start a program in the county to help mental health get more incorporated in the system with inmates. It's something that's really looked over where I'm from but VERY much needed! I'm kind of getting discouraged because I really don't know where to start. Someone told me I should start for profit then add a nonprofit, but that doesn't make sense to me. Any advice is greatly appreciated and welcomed 😊😭😭!

41 comments



Carmen Lauren
April 24 at 10:05 AM · 🌐

I have a non profit for Domestic Violence women and [children.is](#) Any grants available for that

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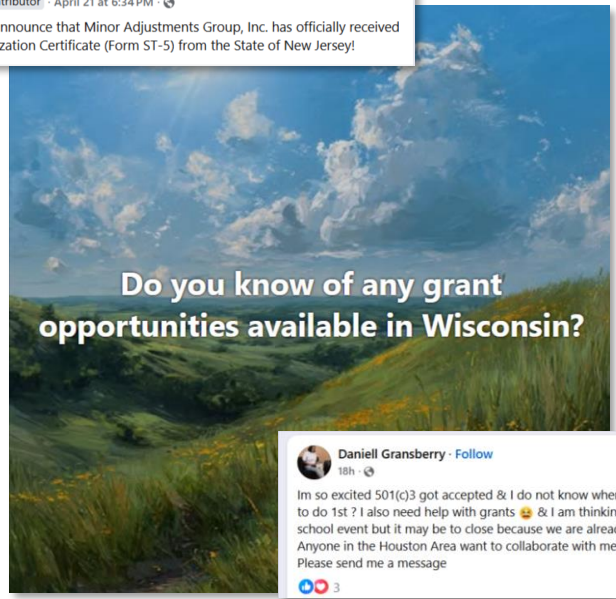
Shelley Williams
We are also in this space - Highly suggest building out programs first. Answer the questions for yourself first. We found a sample application for a grant we were interested in, and are in the process of making sure we can actually answer all of the qu... [See more](#)

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Michael Mickey Williams Jr. · Follow
★ Rising contributor · April 21 at 6:34 PM · 🌐

We are thrilled to announce that Minor Adjustments Group, Inc. has officially received our Exempt Organization Certificate (Form ST-5) from the State of New Jersey!



Tasha Warren
★ Rising contributor · April 24 at 5:38 PM · 🌐

Real question...

Where do you go when you're trying to help kids in your community... but your community not really showing up?

I'm not even saying this to complain... I'm just being honest.

I've been working with kids for years, just doing what I can on my own. Now I'm trying to grow it, reach more kids, do more for them... but I'm realizing I can't do it alone.

and the need is real out here.

I'm not giving up... I'm just asking.

Support • Volunteer • Share | Young Kings & Queens Foundation (Austell area)"

Daniell Gransberry · Follow
18h · 🌐

Im so excited 501(c)3 got accepted & I do not know where to start. Any tips on what to do 1st ? I also need help with grants 😊 & I am thinking about doing a back to school event but it may be to close because we are already at the end of May. Anyone in the Houston Area want to collaborate with me on A Back To School Event ! Please send me a message

3 likes · 11 comments

April McDaniel · Follow
Yesterday at 7:08 AM · 🌐

I've been working by myself on a non profit for almost 2 years now I knew absolutely nothing when I started all I knew is I had a purpose and a mission and a passion for what I was doing and I didn't care how hard it was gonna be I was determined to make a change. I turned my passion into a vision and my vision into a real working system that I am committed to and confident in my mission and strategy however all of that is great but without the knowledge of running a non profit and a team to back me I feel like I'm racing for time and I need advice on my roll and options going forward is anyone else trying to do this on their own and if so how do you teach yourself what you don't know

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A Nonprofit Is Owned by Its Founder

MISTAKE

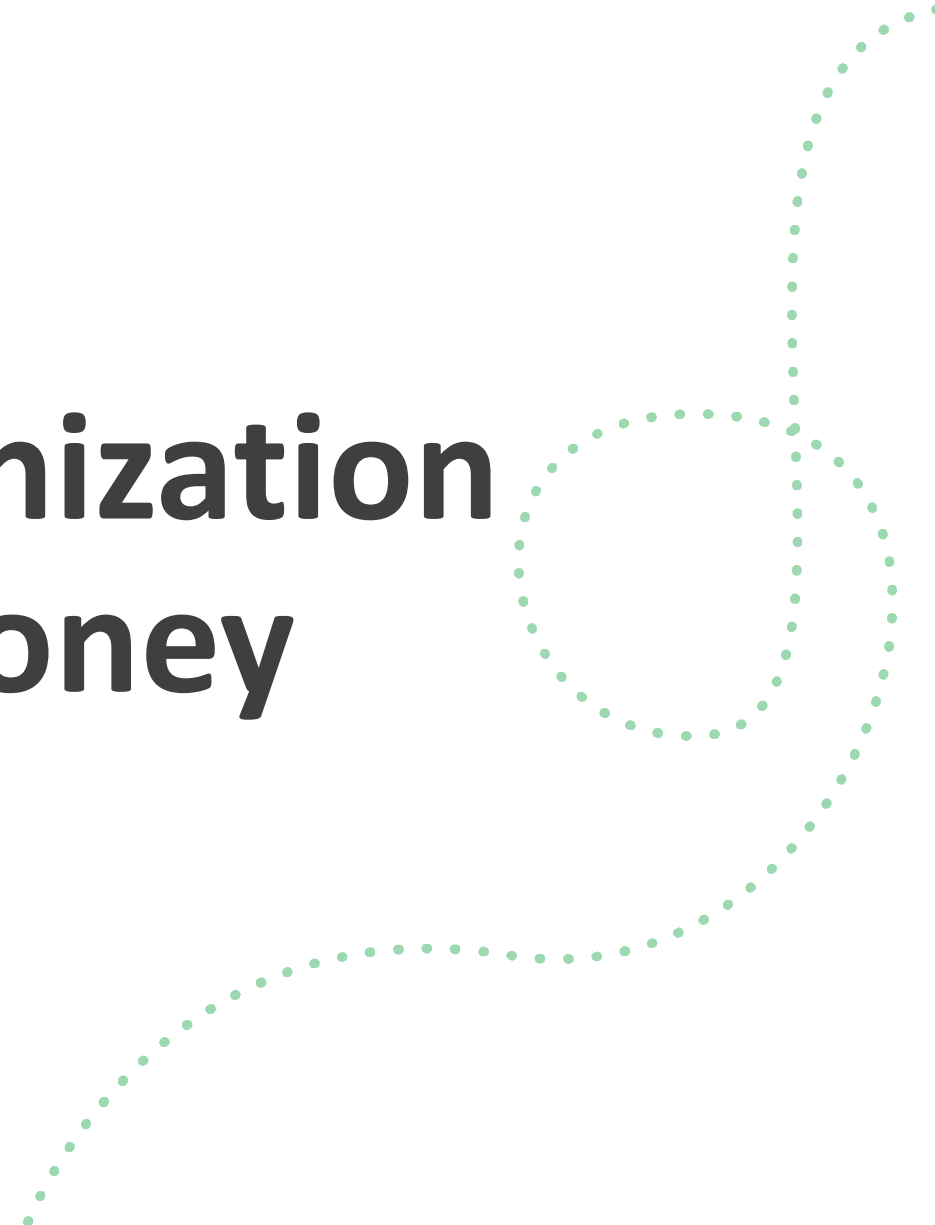
Nonprofit Means No Profit

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A Nonprofit Organization Can't Make Money



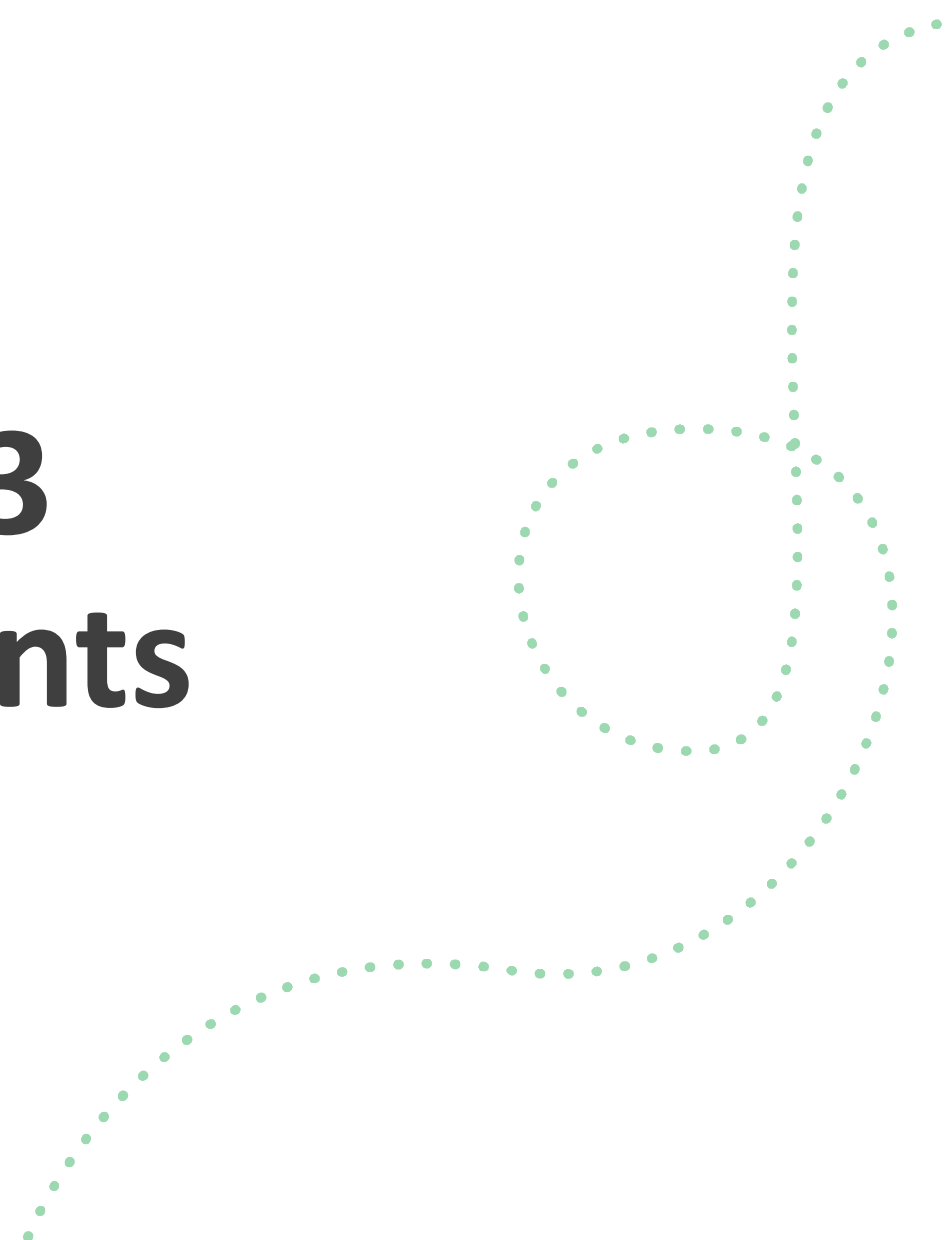
Nonprofit Are Funded by Grants

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The 501(c)3 Gets You Grants



I Will Support My Organization With A Fiscal Sponsor

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My Community Needs My Nonprofit

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**Now
What??**

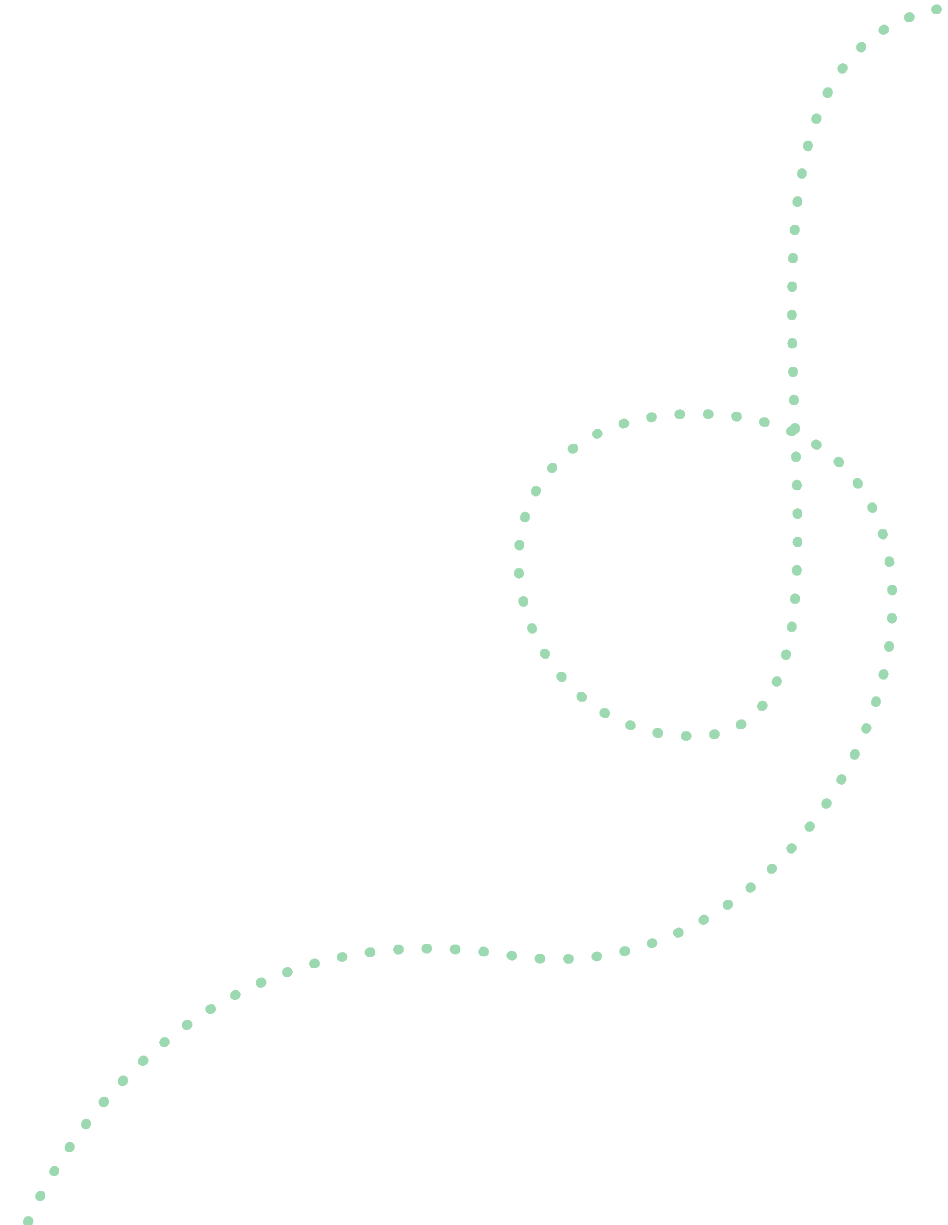


Start Doing the Work

- > Just do it.
- > Learn how to do it well.
- > Make mistakes.
- > Make notes.
- > Measure everything.
- > Collect all data.

Do your research.

- > Who is doing what you want to do?
- > Who are they serving?
- > How do they promote it?
- > Who funds it?
- > What can you learn from them?
- > What can you do better?



**Don't beat
them.**

Join them.

Join them.

Ask Yourself the Hard Questions

- > Are you in competition?
- > Does the community need this?
- > Who is it all for?

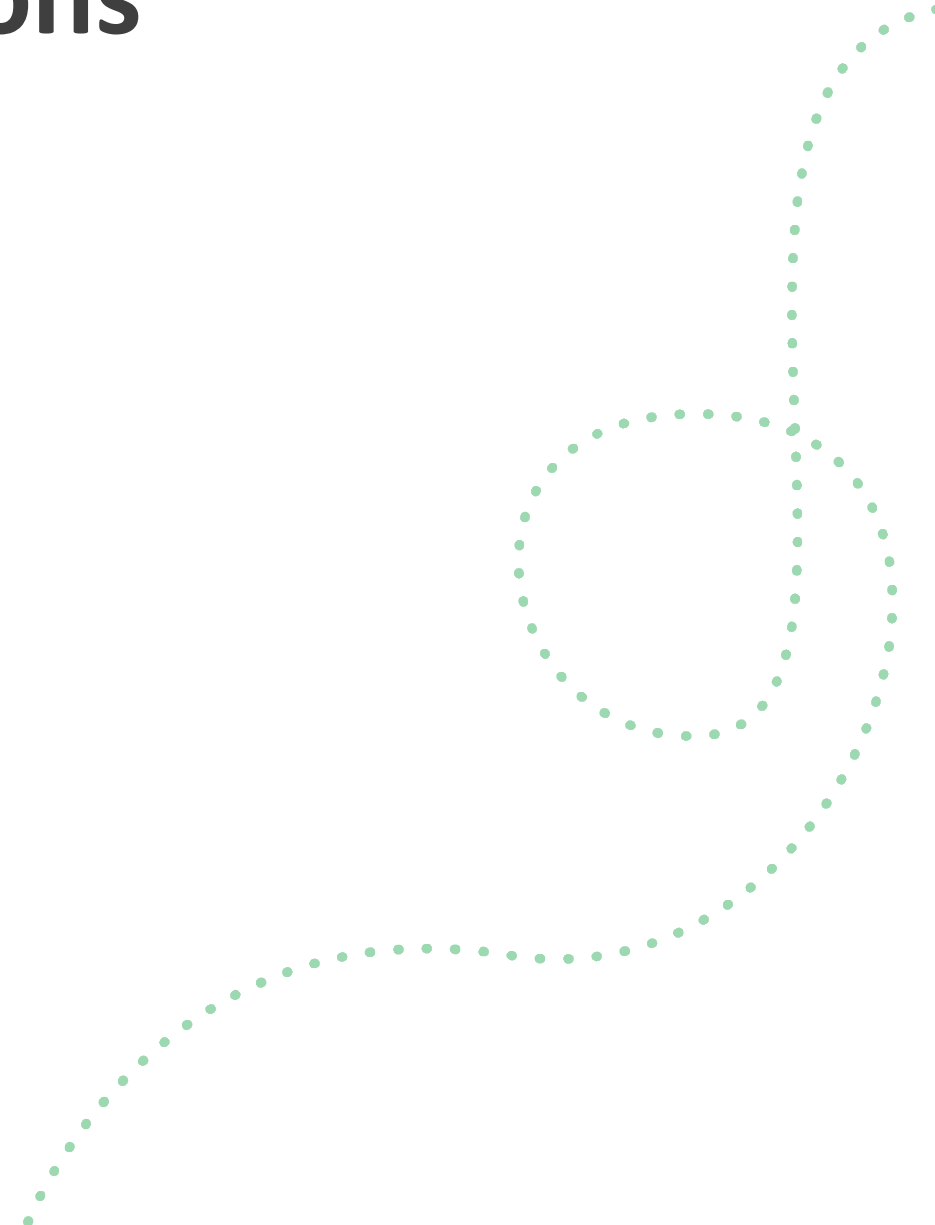
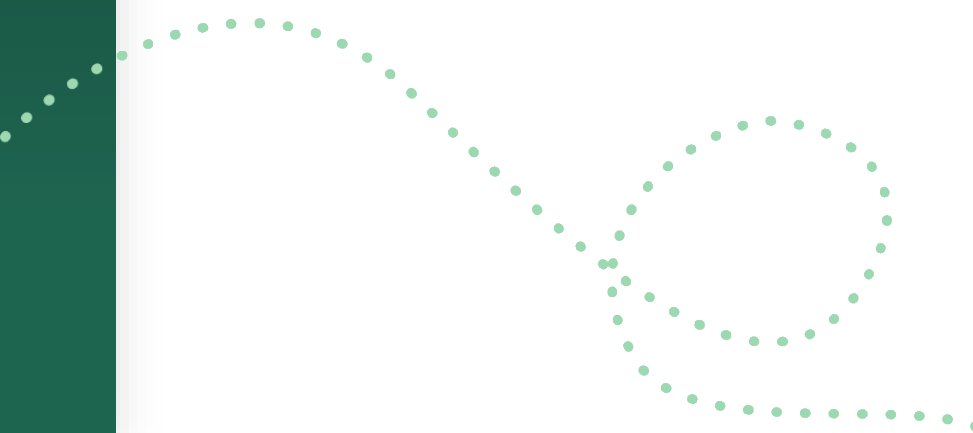


Figure Out Your Funding

- Build a budget
- Focus on individuals
- Develop a communications plan
- Tell your story and ask for help



Get Help.

- Professional Associations
- Social Media Groups
- Pro-bono Advisors
- Strategic Board Placements
- NonProfit HelpDesk

**Stay focused.
Grow slowly.**

What
success
looks like...



Nonprofit Resources and Grant O... ⋮

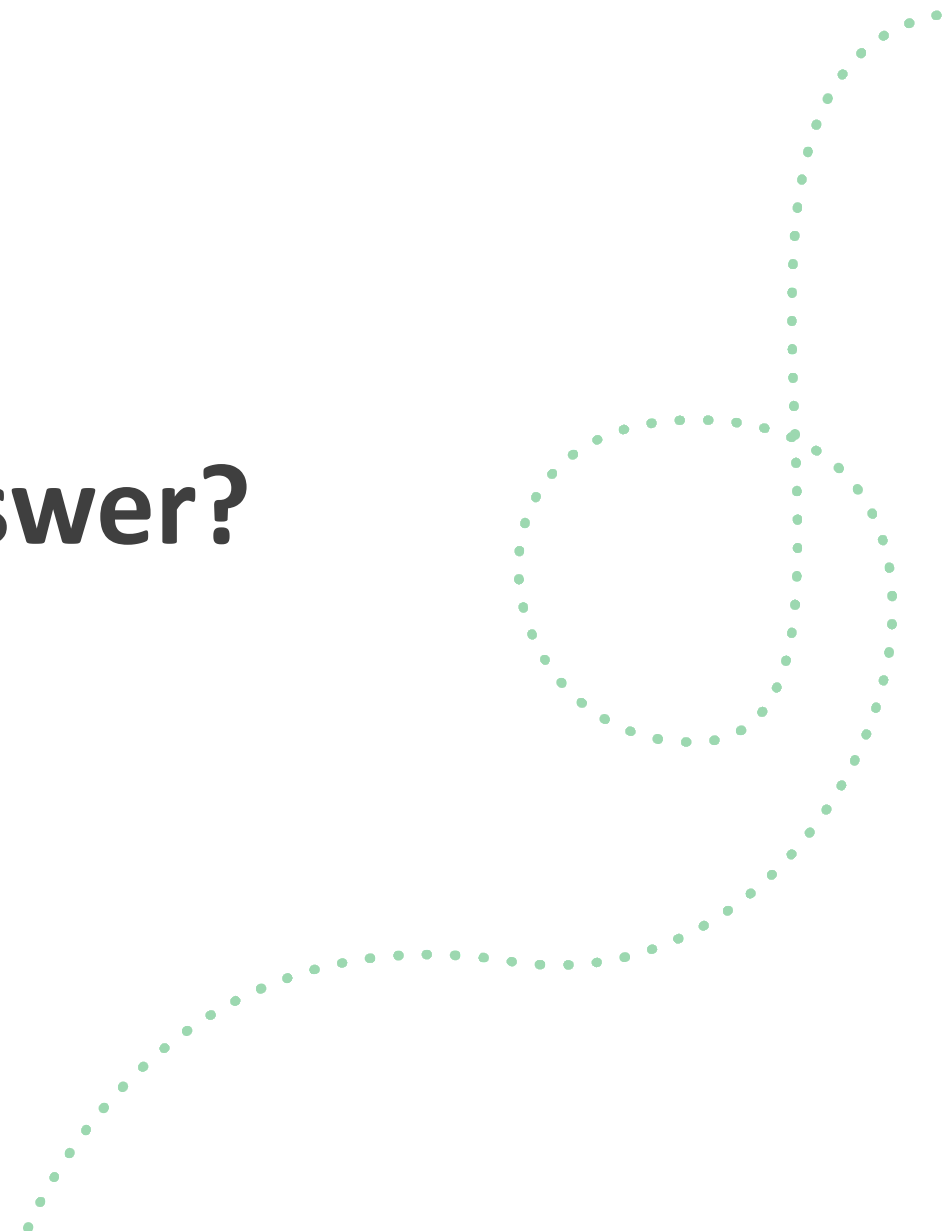
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4Imprint accidentally sent me bags that had my web address wrong. We had done and approved corrections.

I needed the bags for a donation this weekend. So, I didn't fret. I just purchased the "incorrect" domain and pointed it to my website and kept it moving. The corrected bags will be here later this week.



What questions can I answer?





YOUR FEEDBACK
MATTERS!

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FOR A
SURVEY!**