

# FNA Member Update August 25, 2023

#### NONPROFITS COUNT CONFERENCE

Just 34 days until the Nonprofits Count Conference! Register today to join us!

2023 Nonprofits Count Conference: Impact for Today and Tomorrow September 29, 2023 Winter Park, Florida Register today!

Nonprofits Count! is FNA's bi-annual gathering that brings the leaders of our state's nonprofits together to discuss advocacy and the state of our sector. Join 125 of your nonprofit peers in Orlando for a full day of networking, learning, discussing, sharing, and planning.

# Session Preview:

# **Engaging Volunteers Across Generations**

According to FNA's Nonprofits Survey, 41% of nonprofits in Florida say they need more volunteers, and 30% are still using fewer volunteers than before the pandemic. So how can nonprofit organizations re-engage former volunteers, or find and engage new ones? The answer to that question may look different for each generation. Join our panelists representing Boomers, Gen Xers, Millenials, and Gen Zers to hear more about the motivations, challenges, and needs of each generation.

# Panelists include:

- Ken Thomas, AARP, Volunteer State President
- · Allishia Bauman, City Year, Senior Vice President and Executive Director
- Patricia McElroy, VyStar Credit Union, Senior Vice President

<u>Click here</u> to read more about this and the other five sessions that will take place at the conference.

The day will be a combination of listening and learning with discussion and interaction. This event is perfect for CEOs, Board members, policy staff, and anyone else who is interested in how public policy, research, and civic engagement affects the nonprofit sector in Florida.

#### STATE UPDATE

## Florida Tax Projections Get \$2.77B Bump

As reported by the News Services of Florida, economists last week added \$2.77 billion to the state's general-revenue tax projections for the current fiscal year and next fiscal year, giving lawmakers more money to work with when developing the state budget. The economists, who serve as the state Revenue Estimating Conference, had included the prospect of a "mild" recession in a forecast earlier this year. But the panel now expects more stability in most economic areas as Florida moves beyond the COVID-19 pandemic. Lawmakers will use the new projections as they put together a fiscal year 2024-2025 budget during the legislative session that will start in January. State fiscal years begin in July. General revenue plays a critical role in funding programs such as education, health care and prisons. The new projections were driven by sales-tax collections and documentary-stamp tax collections on real-estate sales.

# State Budget Requests

Florida House Appropriation Project Request Forms for FY 2024-25 have been released.

- Completed forms must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023
- Submission Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.
- Publication Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2024.
- Attestation Form Submission Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

There are three separate pdf documents - the fillable form for the budget requests, guidance document on the requests, and then the attestation form. You can find all the documents here.

### **FEDERAL UPDATE**

## Committee Investigates Efforts to Politicize Nonprofits

Republican leaders of the House tax committee have published a "request for information" about "political campaign intervention" by 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofits and 501(c)(4) social welfare organizations. The letter alleges that Democratic and progressive groups take advantage of perceived loopholes and the lack of both law enforcement and transparency for donations to funnel billions of dollars into election activities that favor Democrats and oppose Republican candidates. The House Ways and Means Committee letter asks the public to provide answers and evidence related to 10 questions on such topics as the definition of "political campaign intervention" and asking for evidence of groups violating the law on nonpartisanship. The allegations in the Committee's letter, while troubling, tell only part of the story and cast aspersion on legitimate, nonpartisan election-related activities of charitable organizations. Nonprofits and the public are encouraged to read the letter and submit comments to the Committee by Monday, September 4.

#### **GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

TD Ready Challenge
Deadline: September 13

Applications are now open for TD Bank Group's TD Ready Challenge for \$10 million in grants to U.S. or Canadian nonprofit organizations focused on innovative solutions that address systemic

barriers to affordable housing. TD is looking to work alongside organizations that help increase access to permanent and stable housing throughout the transitional process. The TD Ready Challenge, now in its sixth year, is a key component of the Bank's corporate citizenship platform, the TD Ready Commitment, through which it is dedicating \$750 million to drive positive change, nurture progress, and help make the communities TD serves stronger and more inclusive. Click here for more information.

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