



# FNA Member Update

## July 28, 2023

**REGISTER TODAY – only 3 days left of early bird pricing!**

**Join us for the 2023 Nonprofits Count Conference: Impact for Today and Tomorrow!**  
**September 29, 2023**  
**Orlando, Florida**

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.

Sessions include:

- Crisis as a Catalyst for Change, featuring Isaiah M. Oliver, President of the Community Foundation for Northeast Florida
- Collaborations for Greater Impact
- What Nonprofits Should Expect from the 2024 Elections
- Engaging Volunteers Across Generations
- Giving Trends in Florida – what the new research tells us

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.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

**Early bird rates are available until July 31<sup>st</sup>, so don't delay!**

### **STATE UPDATE**

Legislative Priorities – What are yours?

The 2024 Florida Legislative Session will kick off in January, which means we are only a few

months away from the beginning of Interim Committee Meetings. Do you have any priorities, interests, or concerns for the upcoming Session? If so, [please share them with us](#).

## FEDERAL UPDATE

### Streamlining Federal Grants Act Of 2023

The Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee approved and reported out of committee the ***Streamlining Federal Grants Act*** ([S. 2286](#)). The Act directs the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to provide guidance to federal agencies on how they can simplify and streamline their grant application processes and requires agencies to appoint a senior official to develop and implement these plans to improve their grant application and reporting processes. For more information, check out the updated [NCN one-pager on the bill](#).

### Government Shutdown – a Growing Threat

The debt-limit deal between President Biden and Speaker McCarthy was supposed to declare a truce on budget brinkmanship, but actions in the Senate and House demonstrate that chaos continues and a government shutdown in early October is not just possible, but likely. The Fiscal Responsibility Act, the legislation Congress passed to end the debt-limit crisis and enforce the Biden/McCarthy deal, set strict spending limits and timelines. In recent weeks, Senate appropriators have drafted bills that exceed those caps by \$13.7 billion while House appropriators are advancing bills that cut spending in the coming fiscal year by more than \$119 billion. With only 15 working days between now and the end of the fiscal year, a government shutdown is a real threat. This matters to nonprofits because House appropriations bills call for cuts in programs charitable organizations often perform on behalf of governments and several of the bills include controversial provisions and prohibitions that could adversely affect the ability of nonprofits to advance their missions.

## WORKSHOP OPPORTUNITY

Join us for Advocacy 101 on August 10<sup>th</sup>!

Thursday, August 10  
2-3:30PM ET

The interactive training will include:

- Definitions and clarifications about advocacy, lobbying, and the difference between the two
- The value of advocacy
- How to legally advocate and lobby for your organization, your mission, and your community
- Creating your advocacy plan
- A focus on different target audiences, including elected officials and the media
- Practical tips on how to effectively advocate and lobby

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