

FNA Member Update March 31, 2023

STATE UPDATE

Looking for an update on what has been happening in Session? Join us next week for the April Policy Call!

April Policy Call (Members Only) Thursday, April 6, 4-5PM ET Click here to register.

Fiscal Accountability Bill

This bill (<u>SB 242/HB 955</u>) has passed in the Senate, and will be up for a vote in the House once it is placed on the special order calendar. If you have any questions about this bill or how it may impact your organization, <u>please let us know.</u>

FEDERAL UPDATE

Charitable Act (S. 566)

The number of cosponsors of the <u>Senate bill to establish a universal charitable deduction</u> is growing. Here's the complete list of sponsors/cosponsors: (alpha by state): John Boozman (R-AR), Marco Rubio (R-FL), Raphael Warnock (D-GA), Susan Collins (R-ME), Gary Peters (D-MI), Amy Klobuchar (D-MN), Roger Wicker (R-MS), Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV), Maggie Hasson and Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), James Lankford (R-OK), Tim Scott (R-SC) and Marsha Blackburn (R-TN). Thanks to Senator Rubio for co-sponsoring this legislation.

Interested in how this bill would affect the nonprofit sector? <u>Click here</u> to read an article from the For Purpose Law Group.

ERTC Scam

The Internal Revenue Service has added widely circulating promoter claims involving Employee Retention Tax Credits (ERTC) as a new entry in the annual <u>Dirty Dozen</u> list of tax scams. The IRS is stepping up enforcement action involving these ERTC claims, and the IRS warns, "people considering filing for these claims – only valid during the pandemic for a limited group of

businesses – should be aware they are ultimately responsible for the accuracy of the information on their tax return." The ERTC is <u>still available to charitable nonprofits</u>; the problem the IRS is talking about is scammers harassing employers essentially promising free money.

End of Public Health Emergency

In January, the Biden Administration announced that the <u>declared COVID-19 public health and national emergencies</u> will end on May 11, raising questions about what support systems and programs will and will not continue. This paper provides some answers: <u>Public Health Emergency "Unwinding:" Changes to Medicaid Enrollment and Eligibility.</u>

SURVEY REQUEST

Are Workforce Shortages a Problem for Your Nonprofit?

Nonprofit workforce shortages have been national news for the last several years, but is this still impacting your mission? FNA and the National Council of Nonprofits would like your help in answering that guestion.

Take the Survey.

A survey of the charitable nonprofit sector in late 2021 documented a severe workforce shortage crisis causing unfilled vacancies, long waiting lists of people seeking services, chronic burnout, and other struggles to meet needs in local communities. The survey results led to action to implement solutions at the community, state, and federal levels.

Now, 18 months later, the state of nonprofit employment is unclear. Anecdotally, we hear that problems persist as charitable organizations compete for employees with governments and forprofit entities while also trying to cope with increased demand for services, natural disasters, inflation, and declining revenues. The lack of accurate data makes it hard to manage the situation, much less overcome the growing challenges.

Help tell the charitable nonprofit story today. The results of the confidential survey will drive solutions for this year and beyond.

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GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Yield Giving

DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO APPLY: May 5, 2023

For the first time, Mackenzie Scott has invited organizations to apply for funding. The Yield Giving Open Call is for \$250 million focused on elevating organizations working with people and in places of greatest need in the United States. They seek community-led, community-focused organizations whose explicit purpose is to advance the voices and opportunities of individuals and families of meager or modest means, and groups who have met with discrimination or other systemic obstacles. Before applying, complete the Organizational Readiness Tool and refer to the Open Call Tules to help determine eligibility and to ensure that your organization is a strong fit for the Open Call. Take some time to review the application, which is accessible in PDF form here. Click here for more information.

DEADLINE: May 22, 2023

New Media Ventures is looking to fund early-stage nonprofit organizations and for-profit companies in categories including:

- Emerging media properties & platforms with a culture-first approach;
- Community-based reporting reaching underserved or overlooked audiences;
- Innovative, idea-stage proposals and experiments leveraging media and tech;
- Organizing and advocacy groups developing impactful narratives and communication strategies; and
- Tech tools and platforms driving participation and/or measuring impact.

Florida is one of their target states. Click here for more information.

Clif Family Foundation Operational Support

DEADLINE: June 1, 2023

Theses grants support daily operating costs. Preference is given to applicants that address two or more of the funding priorities at the same time. The priorities are strengthen our food system; enhance equitable community health outcomes; and safeguard our environment and natural resources. Applicants should also demonstrate strong community ties and operate within a clearly defined plan for positive change. Click here for more information.

MEMBER NOTES

Congratulations to FNA member **Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center** for being named a finalist in the Florida Blue Sapphire Awards!

This email is a benefit of your FNA membership.

Have a question about your membership? Not sure how to access your benefits? Schedule a time to virtually meet with Veronica Inberg, FNA's Membership and Programs Coordinator!

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