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**July 2023**

# Grant Opportunities

## 2023-2024

Grant opportunities can help nonprofits fulfill their mission by providing funding for a variety of causes and organizational needs. The Community Foundation of Sarasota County is proud to announce our open call grant opportunities for 2023-24 are now available on our [website](#).

### **Capacity Building Grants**

Capacity Building grants help improve a nonprofit's ability to fulfill its mission by strengthening its capacity. Capacity strengthening areas include fundraising, leadership, communication, evaluation, and emergency needs.

Application reviews begin September 1, November 1, February 1, and April 1.

**Now Accepting Applications for Capacity  
Building Grants**

## Capacity Building Grants

Have additional questions? Bring them to a [virtual info session](#) with our team!



## Programmatic Grants

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Programmatic grants support organizations and programs that provide access to education, health care, or basic human needs for people who face systemic barriers in our community.

Application reviews begin August 1, October 1, December 1, March 1 and May 1.

Now Accepting Applications for  
Programmatic Grants

Have additional questions? Bring them to a [virtual info session](#) with our team!



### Animal Welfare Grants

Animal Welfare grants (up to \$25,000) support organizations that serve animals and promote their humane care. Funding priorities will focus on emergency veterinary treatment for urgent cases or extraordinary medical needs and large equipment purchases, such as X-ray machines, for a clinic.

The application will open on November 1, 2023, and close on December 15, 2023.

Learn More About Animal Welfare Grants

## Animal Welfare Grants



Apply in  
November

Have additional questions? Bring them to the [virtual info session](#) with our team on November 7, 2023!

## Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund Grants



Apply Now

## Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund Grants

Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund grants support the work of organizations with programs in disaster recovery. Grant proposals focused on case management, children & youth services/education, home repair and housing needs, legal services, long term recovery groups and COAD support, mental and behavioral health will receive priority.

The application is now open and will close on August 16. Applicants will be notified of their status by the end of September 2023.

Now Accepting Applications for Suncoast Disaster Recover Fund Grants

Have additional questions? Email [sdrf@cfsarasota.org](mailto:sdrf@cfsarasota.org) to contact our team!

## Athena Giving Circle Grants

The Athena Progressive Giving Circle will award up to \$27,000 to projects that either 1) supports aiding young adult women with special needs, with an emphasis on helping individuals successfully transition to independent living, or 2) addresses the critical social, interpersonal, hygienic, mental health, and life skill needs of homeless women and girls.

The application opens August 4 and closes September 15, 2023.

## Athena Giving Circle Grants

## Learn More about Athena Giving Circle Grants



Have additional questions? Email [impact@cfsarasota.org](mailto:impact@cfsarasota.org) to contact our team!

If you have any questions about available grant opportunities, reach out to [impact@cfsarasota.org](mailto:impact@cfsarasota.org).

## 5 Mental Fitness Tools to Enhance Leadership Resilience and Raise More Money!

2024 Giving Challenge Workshop  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, August 23, 2023

Resilience is a critical factor to your success as a nonprofit leader. Regardless of title, each member of a nonprofit team plays an essential role in building an organization's capacity to serve through fundraising initiatives. Join us, the Community Foundation of Sarasota County and Kristen Lessig-Schenerlein of [Koi Coaching](#), on August 23, 2023, as we host a webinar on tools your team can use to build and strengthen mental fitness as your organization prepares for the 2024 Giving Challenge.

### What You'll Learn:

- Five powerful tools based on research in the fields of:
  1. Positive Psychology
  2. Cognitive Behavior Psychology
  3. Performance Science
  4. Neuroscience
- How to build three core mental muscles that will support your team's thriving
- How to convert challenges into gifts to fuel your empathy and exploration

**Who Should Attend:**

- Nonprofit leaders participating in the Giving Challenge
- Team members active in your campaign planning for the Giving Challenge
- Anyone looking for positive mindset tools to use in their day-to-day life

**Join Us Virtually**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, August 23**

**Sign Up Today**



2024

**GIVING CHALLENGE**  
**Upcoming Training**

**Board Member Recruitment Best Practices:  
Panel Discussion & Mixer**

*2024 Giving Challenge Workshop*  
*5:30 PM - 7:30 PM, September 21, 2023*

Great boards of directors don't just happen; they require a healthy dose of care, thought, intention, and planning. At the most fundamental level, those who serve on a nonprofit's board of directors influence the organization's culture, functionality, and impact. Join Christie Nolan, President & CEO of [Mission Matters Consulting & Coaching Group](#) for a presentation and moderated panel discussion on promising practices in board member recruitment, selection, and engagement. There will be opportunities for individuals seeking board and committee volunteer service to connect with local nonprofit agencies.

**What You'll Learn:**

- Questions to clarify your recruitment goals
- Tools to analyze current board composition
- How to employ effective search strategies
- Ways to cultivate a positive board culture
- How to select the best candidates
- How to prepare new members for success

**Who Should Attend:**

- Community Members interested in nonprofit committee/board service
- Chief Executives
- Board Members

**Join Us In-Person at Harvest House**  
**3650 17th Street, Sarasota, FL 34235**  
**5:30 PM - 7:30 PM, September 21**

**Register to Attend**

Nonprofit News is your source for the 2024 Giving Challenge, including trainings, workshops, and other important updates. If you miss an issue of Nonprofit News, you can [revisit archived editions](#) anytime on the Community Foundation website at [cfsarasota.org](https://cfsarasota.org).

Please contact the Giving Challenge team at [givingchallenge@cfsarasota.org](mailto:givingchallenge@cfsarasota.org) with any questions you may have.

## Nonprofit Job Bank

Whether you're seeking a new nonprofit position or you want to post an open position at your organization, your local resource is the Association of Fundraising Professionals Southwest Florida Chapter's [Job Bank](#), supported by the Community Foundation of Sarasota County.

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