Give 8/28 Returns August 28, 2023
Registration Opens June 19, 2023

The Young, Black, & Giving Back Institute (YBGB) will host their sixth annual Give 8/28 giving day from August 28, 2023, to August 31, 2023. Give 8/28 promotes financial giving for Black-led and Black-benefiting nonprofits.

Nonprofit registration is currently open. Interested in participating? The Community Foundation of Sarasota County will kickstart the giving with a $250 grant and cover your organization’s $25* registration fee. Read about our support of Black-led local nonprofits from the 2022 campaign.

The Community Foundation would also like to convene the participating organizations in a collaborative effort to come together and host a community mixer during the giving day in August. Please complete this brief survey to let us know your intent to participate.

*This fee helps the YBGB cover costs associated with running this event and supports the Give
State of Florida Nonprofit Economic Impact Report

Listening Session on July 20, 2023

The Florida Nonprofit Alliance commissions an interactive report every year that creates a vibrant picture of the nonprofit sector’s positive economic impact in the State of Florida. Visit the Community Foundation on Thursday, July 20, as staff from the Florida Nonprofit Alliance discuss the data findings for the state and review the economic contributions of nonprofits in our region.

2635 Fruitville Road, Sarasota FL, 34237
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM, July 20

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

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

There is no factor more important to your success as a nonprofit leader than your resilience. Regardless of your title, each member of a nonprofit team plays an essential role in building an
organization's capacity to serve through fundraising initiatives. Join the us, 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 your mental fitness as your organization prepares for the Giving Challenge 2024.

**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]

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As we gear up for the Giving Challenge 2024, we are reflecting on the successes of the past. We are looking to gather testimonials from nonprofit participants about their experience in the 2022 Giving Challenge to share with our community.

**Why Share a Testimonial?**
- Celebrate the contributions of your staff, donors, board and volunteers
- Highlight the impact the funds you raised made throughout the community
- Inspire fellow nonprofit organizations, donors, volunteers, and spark ideas

**What Experiences Can You Highlight in Your Testimonial?**
- Stories about engaging donors, staff, volunteers, and program beneficiaries
- Peer-to-Peer Fundraisers
- Matches and/or Challenges specific to your nonprofit organization
- Successful Nonprofit Partnerships and/or Business Partnerships
- Your Pop-Up Giving Station success
- How your nonprofit organization used your 2022 Giving Challenge funds

[See an Example Testimonial from the 2020 Giving Challenge]

**How to Submit & Helpful Guidelines**
Testimonials will be submitted through our online portal, CommunityForce. Please note that this is not a grant opportunity. Submitting an impact testimonial does not guarantee that your submission will be published. Our Giving Challenge team will notify you in July 2023 if your impact testimonial was selected.
The submission deadline is Friday, June 30th at 5:00 p.m.

Submit your 2022 Giving Challenge Impact Testimonial

If you have any questions about your submission, please contact us at givingchallenge@cfsarasota.org.

A friendly reminder: Nonprofit News is your source for the Giving Challenge 2024, 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.

External Grant Opportunities

Sarasota County

Resilient SRQ

Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Funds

Sarasota County will receive $201.5 million in Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery to support the long term recovery efforts from Hurricane Ian. Funds are used for restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization, and mitigation with a focus on assisting low- to moderate- income persons. Funds must also be used to address an unmet need following the disaster.

Fill out their Resilient SRQ Unmet Needs Survey for Community Organizations to be considered to receive funding from this grant opportunity.

Our Town Grants

Our Town is the National Endowment for the Art’s (NEA) creative placemaking grants program. Through project-based funding, the program supports activities that integrate arts, culture, and design into local efforts that strengthen communities over the long term. Our Town projects engage a wide range of local stakeholders in efforts to advance local economic, physical, and/or social outcomes in communities.

Grants range from $25,000 to $150,000, with a minimum nonfederal cost share/match equal to the grant amount.

Complete the Survey
Learn More Here

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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