You might have heard we are upgrading The Giving Partner to a new platform - we hope you love the new look! The site will not be available to the public until mid-December, but we are giving nonprofits VIP early access to edit their profiles before the site goes public. See below for instructions based on whether you have an existing profile on TheGivingPartner.org or whether you are interested in creating one.

**Already have a profile in The Giving Partner?**

We hope you were able to watch our webinar for a sneak peek of the upgraded Giving Partner platform. To see a recording of the webinar, [CLICK HERE.](#)

**If you already have a profile in The Giving Partner,** registration for our in-person information sessions is now open! The content of the in-person sessions will be identical to the webinar. Please join us in one of these sessions if you are unable to watch the webinar recording or would prefer to hear from us in person.
If you register for an in-person session please only select **ONE** of the following dates (the sessions are identical).

**DATES & TIMES**

**December 5, 2019**
9:30 am - 11:00 am  
[REGISTER HERE](#)

**December 9, 2019**
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
[REGISTER HERE](#)

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As a reminder, you will receive login information to access your profile in the upgraded Giving Partner next Thursday, November 21.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact [Nonprofits@CFSarasota.org](mailto:Nonprofits@CFSarasota.org) or 941-556-7170.

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**Don't have a profile in The Giving Partner yet?**

Thank you for your interest in creating a profile in The Giving Partner. We hope you were able to watch the webinar for a sneak peek of our upgraded platform.

Having a profile in The Giving Partner is a great way to increase awareness of your organization in our local community. Plus, maintaining a current profile qualifies your organization to apply for grants from the Community Foundation of Sarasota County and participate in the Giving Challenge!

Please be aware that in order to create a profile, your organization **must** have both of the following:

1. **IRS 501(c)(3)** Letter of Determination, and
2. At least one current program with local impact in at least one of the following counties: **Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte or DeSoto**.

If you meet these requirements, we encourage you to attend an **in-person orientation session** to learn everything you need to know about creating a profile in The Giving Partner. Please register for only **one** of the following dates (the sessions are identical):

**DATES & TIMES**

**December 10, 2019**
9:30 am - 11:00 am  
[REGISTER HERE](#)

**December 12, 2019**
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
[REGISTER HERE](#)

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**Important Note:** The deadline to complete a new profile in The Giving Partner in order to qualify for the 2020 Giving Challenge (April 28-29, 2020) is January 31, 2020. Attending one of the above orientation sessions will give you plenty of time to meet this deadline!
Celebrating 40 Years of Community Impact

The Community Foundation of Sarasota County kicked-off its 40th Anniversary at the newly renovated Circus Arts Conservatory on November 6th with a celebration honoring the donors, nonprofit organizations, and local professionals who have partnered with them over the years to create lasting impact across generations.

The celebration featured keynote speaker, Diane McFarlin, Dean of the University of Florida College of Journalism and Communications and former Community Foundation Board Chair, who recognized the Community Foundation's accomplishments, notably the 20th Anniversary of Season of Sharing, a community-wide campaign that empowers neighbors to help neighbors avoid the threat of homelessness.

During the celebration, the Community Foundation retraced its 40 years of community impact, from its founding by the Southwest Florida Estate Planning Council in 1979 to the present.

"Anniversaries are unique moments in an organization's life, pauses that encourage reflection on what has come before and excitement for all that lies ahead," says Roxie Jerde, President and CEO of the Community Foundation of Sarasota County. "For 40 years, the Community Foundation has united people and organizations to create opportunities for families across generations to improve lives and create lasting impact. We look forward to strengthening that legacy for many years to come."

Thank you to everyone who has partnered with us over the years. This anniversary is for all of us, and we're glad you're a part of it.

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.