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# Grant Opportunities

## 2021-2022

## **New Grant Opportunity**

**ATHENA Progressive Giving Circle**

The Athena Progressive Giving Circle is accepting proposals from nonprofit organizations serving Sarasota and/or Manatee counties for programs working to change one or more of the underlying causes of gender-based violence.

Organizations are encouraged to propose creative programs addressing their understanding of the root causes of gender-based violence. Proposals which address gender-based violence through the lens of intersectionality, recognizing the particular environment faced by women of color, are also welcomed, and proposals which apply best practices in social change methodologies are desirable.

*Note: Grant request cannot exceed \$15,000 for one organization or \$20,000 for a partnership.*

Proposals must be submitted **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 1, 2021**. You can find more information about this opportunity and how to apply in the link below.

[Learn More & Apply for Athena Progressive Circle Grant](#)

Additional questions? Please email Katie Schwabach at [katie@cfsarasota.org](mailto:katie@cfsarasota.org)

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## Animal Welfare Grants

### Application Opens October 5th, 2021

# Animal Welfare Grants



Animal Welfare Grants (\$10,000 - \$50,000) support organizations that serve animals and promote their humane care in Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, and DeSoto Counties. This competitive grant cycle primarily supports emergency medical needs for animals and volunteer program development or growth.

[Animal Welfare Grant Application Opens October 5th, 2021](#)

Additional questions? Please bring them to an upcoming virtual info session with our team! Register at the link below.

[Register for an Animal Welfare Grant Info Session](#)

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For those interested in applying for a grant opportunity but unsure where to begin, we have compiled helpful resources to guide you along the application process:

[Eligibility Requirements](#)

[FAQS](#)

[Grant Reporting](#)

[Press Kit for Grantees](#)

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

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# For New Profiles in THE GIVING PARTNER



## Giving Challenge Deadline for Developing a NEW Profile in The Giving Partner

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!

**The deadline to complete a NEW profile in The Giving Partner to qualify for the 2022 Giving Challenge is January 31, 2022.**

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 The Giving Partner training below to learn everything you need to know about creating a profile in The Giving Partner.

If you're eager to get started, you are welcome to follow the steps outlined in our [Nonprofit Toolkit](#) and complete the application for The Giving Partner.

*If you have any questions, please contact [nonprofits@cfsarasota.org](mailto:nonprofits@cfsarasota.org).*

[Get Started with the Nonprofit Toolkit](#)

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## How To Develop or Update Your Organization's Profile in The Giving Partner *Webinar Opportunity*

Join us to learn more about how to create a new profile, or how to update an existing profile. We'll cover the basics (including plenty of visuals) and have a brief Q&A session at the end. This will be a great opportunity to get familiar with recent enhancements and to start getting your profile in good shape for the 2022 Giving Challenge!

### ***Who Should Attend:***

- Nonprofit partners who are new to The Giving Partner and want to learn how to develop a new profile
- Nonprofit partners with existing profiles in The Giving Partner who might need a refresher on how to make updates or those with new admins

Join us virtually:  
November 15th from 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Register For The Giving Partner Webinar

Please contact the Knowledge & Equity Team at [nonprofits@cfsarasota.org](mailto:nonprofits@cfsarasota.org) with questions about this event. This webinar will be recorded and shared.

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# NEW NEW NEW NEW FEATURES

# THE GIVING PARTNER

## New Enhancements Completed for The Giving Partner

Starting September 8th, our technology partner GiveGab began a significant refresh of The Giving Partner platform, incorporating feedback from nonprofit organizations, donors, and funders to improve the platform's functionality and enhance its value for everyone.

We are pleased to share that **The Giving Partner refresh has concluded and you can now make updates to complete your profile.**

Overall, the deployment went exceedingly well. While things will look familiar, we've added some new fields, eliminated a few fields, and relocated a few fields. There are also a few additional enhancements that will be coming soon; for example, GiveGab will be making some minor formatting and instruction adjustments (info bubbles).

Curious about what exactly has changed? *Follow the link below to read more about our recent enhancements.*

*If you have any questions, please contact [nonprofits@cfsarasota.org](mailto:nonprofits@cfsarasota.org).*

Learn More About Recent Enhancements

Visit The Giving Partner

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[GivingChallenge.org](http://GivingChallenge.org)

## Giving Challenge Updates

### *Key Dates, Impact Testimonials, and More*

With all of the excitement leading up to the 2022 Giving Challenge on April 26 - 27, 2022, there are plenty of dates you'll want to commit to memory. We know it can be overwhelming, so we've created a digital solution. From webinar workshops to nonprofit registration and deadlines, the [Key 2022 Giving Challenge Dates](#) webpage has what you need to keep your calendar up-to-date on all things Giving Challenge.

*Note: This webpage will be continuously updated as new dates for trainings, events, and other opportunities are finalized by the Giving Challenge Team. Please refer to this ongoing resource throughout the year for the latest.*

[Take Note of Key 2022 Giving Challenge Dates](#)

### *The History of the Giving Challenge*

The 2022 Giving Challenge will mark a decade of generosity since the 24-hour give day's inception. Did you know that, since 2012, seven Giving Challenges have raised nearly \$60 million in unrestricted dollars for hundreds of nonprofit organizations? Or that the Giving Challenge wasn't always called the "Giving Challenge?"

You can explore these insights and more on the origins, evolution, and the many partnerships strengthened along the way on the new [Giving Challenge History](#) webpage.

*Visual overviews of each Giving Challenge, as well as infographics with cumulative results from all seven challenges, are available as printable PDFs at the link below.*

[Explore the History of the Giving Challenge](#)

### *Stories and Impact Testimonials from the 2020 Giving Challenge*

Over the last several months, nonprofit organizations have shared stories of impact from the 2020 Giving Challenge.


Thanks to the many quality submissions we received, we're proud to share these Impact Testimonials on our Community Foundation website. You can already

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August 2, 2021  
**Soundbites from El Corazón**

By *Melinda Eddy, Founder, Corazón*

Long before the invention of keybriks, written script and the type press, storytelling was tied to oral

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July 13, 2020  
**3 Reasons the Giving Challenge Wrap-Up is Just the Beginning**

By *Sara Lasswell, MBA, CFE*

2020 defiantly put the "challenge" in Giving Challenge. Even though the year started like many others, it

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June 1, 2020  
**Virtually Unstoppable**

By *Bridget M. Miller*

The Giving Challenge faced its own challenge this year - falling right in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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explore stories that were collected throughout the year.

A new Impact Testimonial submitted by your nonprofit peers will be shared every two weeks.

[Read Impact Testimonials from the 2020 Giving Challenge](#)

*A friendly reminder: Nonprofit News will be your source for the latest about the 2022 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 of Sarasota County website.*



## WEBINAR RECORDING

### Leveraging Peer-to-Peer Fundraising

*During the Giving Challenge & Beyond*

## Leveraging Peer-to-Peer Fundraising: During the Giving Challenge & Beyond

### *Webinar Workshop Recording*

Join GiveGab, the Neuro Challenge Foundation, and Community Foundation staff to learn how to add Peer-to-Peer (P2P) fundraising to enhance your fundraising campaign reach. P2P fundraising allows your biggest supporters to tell their stories of your organization's impact and helps expand your donor network.

#### **What You'll Learn:**

- **Strategies** for building a strong team of fundraisers
- How to attract **new donors and increase engagement** – for both the Giving Challenge as well as throughout the year via The Giving Partner

### Watch the Recording:

[Peer-to-Peer Fundraising Webinar Recording](#)

This webinar was recorded on Tuesday, September 14th, 2021. Email at [givingchallenge@cfsarasota.org](mailto:givingchallenge@cfsarasota.org) with questions about this recording.

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Please note, Peer-to-Peer fundraising for the 2022 Giving Challenge is not yet open. It will open in early 2022. In the meantime, if you would like to utilize your profile in The Giving Partner to create a Peer-to-Peer fundraising campaign, you can find all the information you need in the helpful [Resource Guide](#) linked below.

[Peer-to-Peer Fundraising Resource Guide](#)

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## Nominate Someone Bringing Our Community Together for the 2022 Unity Awards!

With its 12th annual Unity Awards, Sarasota Magazine seeks to honor those members of our community committed to bridging divides across racial, ethnic, religious, sexual orientation, socioeconomic, and physical and mental ability groups.

As cause leaders in our region, you work with outstanding individuals day-in and day-out. Why not nominate someone that has inspired you? Nominees can be from any profession or industry, whether for-profit or nonprofit. They can be young and new to their causes, or experienced executive directors, volunteers or employees. What matters is how they inspire others with their work towards achieving equality and human dignity.

Unity Award winners are exceptional people who bring about change with real results.

**The deadline to nominate is Thursday, September 30, 2021.**

[Share Your Nomination for the 2022 Unity Awards](#)

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## 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.

[Nonprofit Job Bank](#)

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# THE GIVING PARTNER

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