

Course Syllabus FUND: Creating and Managing Fundraising Plans: Produce Ownership and Results

Week 1. Fundraising Fundamentals

In Week 1 we will identify the internal infrastructure needed for successful fundraising management in a nonprofit organization and the landscape of current challenges that are both internal and external forces affecting the success of any fundraising effort.

Week 2. Sources and Strategies for Generating Revenue and Support: An Overview

In Week 2 we will explore the expansive range of funding sources and strategies available to nonprofits today, with strong emphasis on the importance of fund diversification.

Week 3. Preparing a Fund Development Plan

In Week 3 we will focus on how to create a fundraising plan with strategies and measurable outcomes.

Week 4. From Planning to Implementation: Managing the Unexpected

In Week 4 we will go from the point of having a plan in place to managing the implementation process, especially as unexpected developments arise. Our discussion will address the significance of a risk management plan for a nonprofit's overall sustainability as well as the importance of building strong donor relationships in the prevention and mitigation of unexpected fundraising developments.

Week 5. Ethics, Accountability, and Transparency: Your Fundraising Plan in the Public Eye

In Week 5 we will take a look at several monitoring Web sites that rate charities for the public's scrutiny. Make sure you know what your organization looks like in the public eye.