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How to access the power and profitability of pro bono resources Savvy nonprofits use strategic management, marketing, technology, leadership to be competitive. With strapped budgets, many nonprofits cannot afford to pay for these resources. However, businesses are an often overlooked as an effective

source of skilled professionals who can supply the needed skills. This book shares the acclaimed Taproot Foundation's pro bono best practices and shows nonprofit managers to apply them to their own unique challenges in a low-to-no-cost way. The author offers keys to identifying opportunities for using pro bono sources, recruiting pro bono resources, and managing pro bono projects effectively. Reveals how a nonprofit can partner with a global corporation to further their mission in

an effective and low-cost manner Aaron Hurst is the president and founder of the Taproot Foundation who pioneered a new field in community investment and continually breaks new ground through its signature, catalytic programs designed for the emerging global pro bono marketplace Gives nonprofit managers and staff the keys to identifying opportunities for using pro bono resources Taproot's Aaron Hurst offers a hands-on guide to managing and engaging pro bono resources directed at nonprofit organizations.

Fundraising for Nonprofit Board Members AuthorHouse

Step Up! is part inspiration, part education and part how-to. It's fresh approach to equipping nonprofit board members who want practical guidance

presented in an engaging and digestible format. Step Up! imparts the insights that new and tenured board members wish they knew from the get-go. The Second Edition features new and expanded content for a number of key areas including board roles and boundaries, fundraising and strategic planning.

Doing Good Even Better The Nonprofit Board Answer Book

Many nonprofits rely on conventional methods of making and managing money—from donations to cash reserves, endowments, and capital building campaigns—in hopes of securing financial stability for the future. Yet these acquired funds often remain tantalizingly out of reach for day-to-day operations; the balance sheet may look

good, but the actual cash available is often surprisingly low. In order to achieve their missions, nonprofits need to fundamentally change the way they think about money. Richard and Anna Linzer introduce a groundbreaking approach to nonprofit financial management based on cash flow and the use of credit that gives nonprofits the money they need, when they need it while ensuring the long-term financial well-being of the organization. Their revolutionary and effective financial model is explained in clear and understandable terms for decision makers in both large and small nonprofit organizations. "The Linzers are revolutionaries in the nonprofit financial world and leaders should take notice!" --Martha J. Perry, associate executive

director, McCune Foundation "A great book for any board member of a nonprofit organization." --Michael Schlesinger, attorney, author, lecturer, and commentator in the field of taxation "Nonprofits now have a choice: Muddle along from crisis to crisis or follow the advice in this excellent, innovative book." --Irene Y. Namkung, past board president, the Western Arts Alliance, Northwest Folklife, and Oregon Potters' Guild "It's heresy, but it works. The Cash Flow Solution presents solid steps to financial sanity in the nonprofit boardroom." --James A. Kolb, West Sound Academy "From time to time a book makes so much sense you wonder why someone did not write it a long time ago. Richard and Anna Linzer's book "The Cash Flow Solution" is such a book.

The principles are as fundamental and rock-solid as they are innovative. Applying their suggestions could help many troubled organizations survive and thrive. More importantly, the Linzers' insight could lead many nonprofits in coming closer to fulfilling their potential to deal with the many needs of our society." --Mike Pedretti, Artistic Director and President, Movement Theatre International

Owning Up Good Books

We are entering a new era—an era of impact. The largest intergenerational transfer of wealth in history will soon be under way, bringing with it the potential for huge increases in philanthropic funding. Engine of Impact shows how nonprofits can apply the principles of strategic leadership to attract greater

financial support and leverage that funding to maximum effect. As Good to Great author Jim Collins writes in his foreword, this book offers "a detailed roadmap of disciplined thought and action for turning a good nonprofit into one that can achieve great impact at scale." William F. Meehan III and Kim Starkey Jonker identify seven essential components of strategic leadership that set high-achieving organizations apart from the rest of the nonprofit sector. Together, these components form an "engine of impact"—a system that organizations must build, tune, and fuel if they hope to make a real difference in the world. Drawing on decades of teaching, advising, grantmaking, and research, Meehan and Jonker provide an actionable guide that executives, staff,

board members, and donors can use to jumpstart their own performance and to achieve extraordinary results for their organization. Along with setting forth best practices using real-world examples, the authors outline common management challenges faced by nonprofits, showing how these challenges differ from those faced by for-profit businesses in important and often-overlooked ways. By offering crucial insights on the fundamentals of nonprofit management, this book will help leaders equip their organizations to fire on all cylinders and unleash the full potential of the nonprofit sector. Visit www.engineofimpact.org for additional information.

Legal Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards Lioncrest Publishing

This is a guide not only to those preparing for or serving in the role of CDO but also to those charged with selecting, appointing, and supporting CDOs.

Ten Basic Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards John Wiley & Sons

In today's uncertain environment, where nonprofits find themselves grappling with the continued downturn in the economy, the ongoing war on terrorism, government's cutbacks in social services, and a wave of organizational scandals--groups everywhere are straining to keep up with the increased demand for their services while struggling to generate funding. Fundraising in Times of Crisis draws on renowned consultant Kim Klein's more than twenty-five years of

fundraising experience. This much-needed resource shows troubled groups how to identify what is really going on and how to assess the damage. *Fundraising in Times of Crisis* helps executive directors and development professionals of nonprofit organizations plan for both the short and long term and explains how to evaluate the success of their efforts. Checklists, tips, action steps and a wealth of examples walk you through the process of self-assessment and map out a road to recovery. No matter what your particular crisis--the sudden loss of an executive director, a public scandal, a major donor attrition, or a daunting increase in the demand for services--this book will show you how to survive and thrive in tough times.

Hiring on Purpose: How the Y Scouts Method Is Revolutionizing the Search for Leaders BoardSource, Inc.

Nonprofit organizations are increasingly concerned with the need to demonstrate how social justice principles impact every aspect of their work. This is the only textbook to explicitly integrate social justice principles into the management of a nonprofit organization. It provides students with the knowledge and skills required to integrate a social justice value system into their work as effective non-profit leaders. Using practical tips and illustrative case examples, the text explains the structure and processes of nonprofit organizations with a particular emphasis on social justice themes. The book is edited by an interdisciplinary team of prominent

leaders in business, management, and social service, who together run the Fordham Center for Nonprofit Leaders. They have assembled a group of expert authors who provide extensive coverage of the nonprofit leadership field. The book discusses the history of the development of nonprofit management up to the present day. It addresses legal and ethical considerations, organizational planning and staff management, finance, public relations, fundraising, public advocacy and volunteerism, program design and grant development, governance and board development, developing an international nonprofit, information technology, career development, and creating a nonprofit/social entrepreneurship organization. Additional chapters

address quality improvement, mentoring, and proposal writing, Included are plentiful case studies and review questions in each chapter. The text is ideal for students and faculty in social service administration, human service leadership, social work management, public and community health, public administration, and health care administration and management. Key Features: Comprises the only nonprofit management text to integrate social justice themes Edited by an interdisciplinary group of authors representing the social service, social work, management, and nonprofit fields Includes illustrative case studies and review questions in each chapter Offers practical tips for integrating social justice agendas Provides PowerPoint

presentations for instructors

The Nonprofit Board Answer Book John Wiley & Sons

Praise for *Joining a Nonprofit Board* "As an individual who has served on various nonprofit boards, and as the president and CEO of a large nonprofit organization, I can attest to how valuable this book is. Marc Epstein and Warren McFarlan offer insight into the expectations of nonprofit board members, which is extraordinarily beneficial to individuals considering their first nonprofit board and to seasoned professionals already serving on boards." —Gail McGovern, President and CEO, American Red Cross Excerpted from Foreword "This book is a roadmap for the business person who wants to serve on a nonprofit board, and unwittingly

assumes that the approaches that worked so well in the for-profit world can be seamlessly extrapolated to the nonprofit board room." —Roseanna H. Means, M.D., founder and president, Women of Means "A must-read for all new and existing nonprofit board members. It is full of practical advice that will help improve the effectiveness of nonprofit board members and the organizations they serve." —Roger Servison, president emeritus, Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and vice chairman, Boston Symphony Orchestra "What a powerful tool now available for anyone involved with governance of America's nonprofit enterprises. The analysis is cogent and concise, amply supported by real-life examples." —George B. Beitzel, chairman emeritus, Amherst College,

and chairman emeritus, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation "Joining a Nonprofit Board offers practical advice in complementing your business experience with the nuances of nonprofit governance, performance, and management in order to fully achieve the societal mission." —Jeffrey C. Thomson, president and CEO, Institute of Management Accountants "This book will guide you through the differences between for-profit and nonprofit organizations (and boards). It will help you navigate through all the nuances in which nonprofit organizations actually operate on a day-to-day basis."—Elaine Ullian, former president, Boston Medical Center "Joining a Nonprofit Board is a must-read. This book should be required reading and distributed at the opening

board meeting." —Agnes C. Underwood, former head, Garrison Forest School and National Cathedral School; vice president/managing associate, Carney, Sandoe and Associates "A Board needs a unifying and visionary objective—'It must be World Class.' This book successfully shows how to create a World Class Board." —W. Richard Bingham, former chairman, California Academy of Sciences

The Nonprofit Board's Role in Mission, Planning, and Evaluation John Wiley & Sons

"Organized in an easy-to-follow question and answer format, [this book] covers just about every situation you're likely to encounter in nonprofit board governance." --Dust jacket.

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A new framework for helping nonprofit organizations maximize the effectiveness of their boards. Written by noted consultants and researchers attuned to the needs of practitioners, *Governance as Leadership* redefines nonprofit governance. It provides a powerful framework for a new covenant between trustees and executives: more macrogovernance in exchange for less micromanagement. Informed by theories that have transformed the practice of organizational leadership, this book sheds new light on the traditional fiduciary and strategic work of the board and introduces a critical third dimension of effective trusteeship: generative governance. It serves boards as both a resource of fresh approaches to familiar territory and a lucid guide to important

new territory, and provides a road map that leads nonprofit trustees and executives to governance as leadership. *Governance as Leadership* was developed in collaboration with BoardSource, the premier resource for practical information, tools and best practices, training, and leadership development for board members of nonprofit organizations. Through its highly acclaimed programs and services, BoardSource enables organizations to fulfill their missions by helping build effective nonprofit boards and offering credible support in solving tough problems. For the latest in nonprofit governance, visit www.boardsource.org, or call us at 1-800-883-6262.

Ask a Manager John Wiley & Sons

This guidebook to board membership

lays out three broad lines of questioning that every board candidate should explore before saying "yes" or "no" to an invitation to join. The three clusters of questions include (1) those that make or break the opportunity, (2) those that explore the relative hygiene or well being of the board inviting you to join, and (3) those that distinguish merely good boards from the practices of those boards that can be said to be great. The preface provides a pragmatist's view of how to make productive use of this book. The author of the preface is Ken Bloem, a seasoned director, current executive chairman of a private firm, and former CEO in multiple settings, both for-profit and not-for-profit. He speaks from deep experience as both a CEO and an independent director. John Balkcom has

been a longtime advisor to management and boards. He retired in 2000 after 25 years as a management consultant and continues to serve as a corporate director and advisory board member for a number of public and private enterprises. Most recently, he became a member of the governing board of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists. Before John and his wife Carol moved to Denver in 2010, they spent almost 40 years in the Chicago area, from which John traveled to every corner of the US, with trips to New Zealand, South Africa, and Europe from time to time. His work as a consultant and as a board member put him in front of over a thousand board and committee meetings before he stopped to write this book. He served as a partner at Booz, Allen and Hamilton

and at Sibson & Company, from which he retired in 2000."

Nonprofit Management Stanford University Press

Praise for NONPROFIT SUSTAINABILITY

"This is much more than a financial how-to book. It's a nonprofit's guide to empowerment. It demystifies mission impact and financial viability using The Matrix Map to provide strategic options for any organization. A must-read for every nonprofit CEO, CFO, and board member." —Julia A. McClendon, chief executive officer, YWCA Elgin, Illinois

"This book should stay within easy reaching distance and end up completely dog-eared because it walks the reader through a practical but sometimes revelatory process of choosing the right mix of programs for

mission impact and financial sustainability. Its use is a practice in which every nonprofit should engage its board once a year." —Ruth McCambridge, editor in chief, *The Nonprofit Quarterly*

"Up until a few years ago, funding and managing a nonprofit was a bit like undertaking an ocean voyage. Now, it's akin to windsurfing—you must be nimble, prepared to maximize even the slightest breeze, and open to modifying your course at a moment's notice. Innovative executive directors or bold board members who want their organization to be able to ride the big waves of the new American economy must read this book." —Robert L. E. Egger, president, DC Central Kitchen/Campus Kitchens Project/V3 Campaign

"Most nonprofits

struggle to find a long-term sustainable business model that will enable them to deliver impact on their mission. Thanks to Jeanne Bell, Jan Masaoka, and Steve Zimmerman help is now in sight. This book offers practical, concrete steps you can take to develop your own unique path to sustainability without compromising your mission." —Heather McLeod Grant, consultant, Monitor Institute, and author, *Forces for Good: The Six Practices of High-Impact Nonprofits* "At last! An urgently needed framework to prepare leaders to meet head-on the persistent twin challenges of impact and sustainability. This is a practical tool based on good business principles that can bring boards and staff members together to lead their organizations to sustainable futures."

—Nora Silver, adjunct professor and director, Center for Nonprofit and Public Leadership, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley
"Together, Jeanne Bell, Jan Masaoka, and Steve Zimmerman equal wisdom, experience, and know-how on sustainability and lots of other things. Buy, read, and learn from this terrific book!" —Clara Miller, president and CEO, Nonprofit Finance Fund
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Boards That Love Fundraising John Wiley & Sons
"The Storytelling Non-Profit is a portable consultant for fundraisers, communicators and executive directors

who want to tell great stories. In this book, professionals will learn a process for telling a story that inspires and resonates with a target audience."--Back cover.

Fundraising in Times of Crisis Ballantine Books

Designed to help nonprofit board members and senior staff, "The six books address all of the fundamental elements of service common to most boards, including board member responsibilities, how to structure the board in the most efficient manner, and how to accomplish governance work in the spirit of the mission of the organization."--Pg. 2 of Book 1.

Engine of Impact John Wiley & Sons
This trusted handbook for nonprofit board service is newly revised and

includes new case studies and even more tips and ideas from the trenches of nonprofit board work. Doing Good Better is approachable wisdom. Edgar Stoesz has made Doing Good Better a guidebook for both board members of nonprofits, whether new to the task, or highly experienced. First, Stoesz identifies two failings common to many boards of nonprofit organizations that are often overlooked: 1. A board's governance role is very different from the role of management. "Making this distinction requires a reorientation for most board member, because in their day jobs, they are managers or employees." 2. Boards often fail at two matters: a.) preparation of their members, and b.) regular evaluations of their own effectiveness and focus. In

practical, pointedly-written chapters, Stoesz covers: Helping Directors Understand Their Governance Role A Plan to Fulfill the Purpose Reporting Back to the Members Planning Effective Meetings Great Boards Have a Good Fight (occasionally) Working Your Way Through a Crisis Great Boards Celebrate Leaving Right Stoesz deftly interweaves background philosophy, vision, and razor-sharp specific ideas.

"Discussion/Action Questions" conclude many of the chapters. In addition, Stoesz offers a "Board Evaluation Form," a "Director's Self-Evaluation Form," and an outline for the "Executive Director Annual Review."

The Cash Flow Solution John Wiley & Sons

Ah, simplicity. That's not a word usually

voiced in the same breath as "board evaluation." Or conciseness? and clarity? and cogency. Yet all four aptly describe Gayle Gifford's book, *How Are We Doing: A 1-Hour Guide to Evaluating Your Performance as a Nonprofit Board*. Until now, almost all books dealing with board evaluation have had an air of unreality about them. The perplexing graphs, the matrix boxes, the overlong questionnaires. It took only a thumbing through to render a judgment: "My board's going to use this? Get real!" Enter Gayle Gifford. Inhale the fresh air. See the ground break. Watch the clutter clear. Gifford has pioneered an elegantly simple and enjoyable? yes, enjoyable? way for nonprofit boards to evaluate and improve its overall performance. It all comes down to

answering a host of straightforward questions ? questions that, as Graham Greene would say, get to "the heart of the matter." Here is a sampling:-Have we set a goal for the good we want to do?-How well do we know our community?s needs?-Do we know if our programs are having an impact?-Do we ask the right financial questions?-Do we govern and resist the temptation to manage?-Do we recruit the board members we need?-Have we decided the board?s role in fundraising?It doesn?t matter whether the setting is formal, as in a special board meeting, or casual ? the chairperson?s living room. It doesn?t matter whether you have 75 board members or seven.It doesn't matter whether yours is an established institution or a grassroots start-up. All

that matters is that the questions are answered candidly and the responses discussed. It doesn?t get any easier than that.It?s all so refreshing ? the thought of an invigorating discussion taking place, without pretense or pedantry, during which board members reflect on their job, gain a fuller understanding of their organization, explore their strengths and shortcomings, grow more cohesive, sense new potential ? and come away genuinely energized by the process ? and far better equipped to govern.Gifford has done nothing less than transform the way boards will evaluate themselves from this day forward.Oh, the simplicity of it all.
The Little Book of Boards Simon and Schuster
 Written by Robert Zimmerman and Ann

Lehman--leading experts in the field of fundraising and board development--
 Boards That Love Fundraising not only shows that all board members (no matter the level of experience) can learn to raise funds but also provides effective tips to the more experienced fundraisers. This workbook explains your fundraising responsibility as a board member while it: Provides information on board structure and its impact on raising money Outlines the concepts that will empower you to ask for money effectively and fearlessly Describes the wide variety of methods nonprofits use to raise money and the board's role in each area Shows how to recruit board members who can help with fundraising Explores the vital issues of fundraising, planning,

staffing, evaluation, and working with consultants "The book provides tips to help board members overcome the fear of rejection and feel more comfortable asking for support." -- The Chronicle of Philanthropy, May 27, 2004 [The authors exploration of] " ..topics such as how to ask for a substantial gift and motivations for giving are especially effective." -- September 22, 2004, The Foundation Center, Philanthropy News Digest
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seasoned board experience.

Governance as Leadership John Wiley & Sons

THE HANDBOOK OF NONPROFIT GOVERNANCE From BoardSource comes *The Handbook of Nonprofit Governance*. This comprehensive resource explores the overarching question of governance within nonprofit organizations and addresses the roles, structures, and practices of an effective nonprofit. *The Handbook of Nonprofit Governance* covers the topics that are of most importance to those charged with creating and sustaining effective leadership, including building a board; succession planning; policies; financial oversight; fundraising; planning; strategic planning processes; risk management; and evaluation of the

board, CEO, and organization. Praise for *The Handbook of Nonprofit Governance* "This is the first book I've found that covers the topic of governance from A to Z. I know what I'll be assigning the students in my governance class as a textbook next semester!" —TERRIE TEMKIN, founding principal, CoreStrategies for Nonprofits, Inc. "BoardSource has prepared an exceptional resource for nonprofit boards and leaders. This comprehensive volume offers timely and relevant information about board work and governance, including practical tools and resources that will be valuable to all types of nonprofits." —DAVID O. RENZ, chair, department of public affairs; Beth K. Smith/Missouri Chair in Nonprofit Leadership; and director, Midwest Center

for Nonprofit Leadership; University of Missouri, Kansas City "If you are involved in nonprofit organizations, and if you ever have doubts about how they are best run, this is the book for you-and BoardSource is the place to turn." —FISHER HOWE, consultant, Lavender/Howe & Associates, and author, *The Nonprofit Leadership Team BoardSource* (formerly the National Center for Nonprofit Boards) is the premier resource for practical information, tools and best practices, training, and leadership development for board members of nonprofit organizations worldwide. [Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 12th edition](#) Dog Ear Publishing A concise, practical, and timely guide for board members of arts organizations

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