

MCN Membership for Nonprofit Organizations

Join the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits (MCN) and immediately benefit from the savings and resources we extend to our members. You'll receive discounts on publications, workshops, including the Annual Conference, cost saving programs and more. Our newsletter, Nonprofit News, will provide you with updates on management trends and new resources for the nonprofit sector. You'll also be eligible to save money as cost-savings programs are developed - including banking, director's and officer's liability insurance, employee benefit programs, national nonprofit periodicals, and more. Plus, you'll add your voice to hundreds of nonprofit members on issues that affect us all.

Your nonprofit's dues are based on your organization's annual operating budget:

<i>Your annual operating budget:</i>	<i>Your annual dues:</i>
under \$200,000	\$50
\$200,001 - \$400,000	\$100
\$400,001 - \$700,000	\$200
\$700,001 - \$1,000,000	\$300
\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	\$400
over \$2,000,000	\$500

MCN Member Benefits for Nonprofits

As a member of MCN, your organization will become part of our network of more than 1,500 nonprofit organizations and 8,000 nonprofit leaders in Minnesota. You will receive access to information and resources to help your organization achieve its mission. Below are many of the benefits MCN offers its members.

Information and Publications

- 2 free MCN published resources
- Subscription to Nonprofit News, MCN's quarterly newsletter
- Eligibility to receive the Minnesota Grants Alert electronic newsletter.

Discounts and Cost-savings

- Discounted registration to MCN workshops and training events.
- Cost-saving programs for members, including banking, insurance, and periodicals.
- Unlimited number of free listings on the MCN Job Board
- Discounted rental rates for MCN's Conference Room

Advocacy

- Become part of a network that helps keep Minnesota safe for nonprofits.
- Connect with other organizations in Greater Minnesota with MCN's 3 chapters.

INFORMATION AND PUBLICATIONS

Publications

As a new member, and each year your organization renews its membership, you can choose *two* MCN published resource books to receive free of charge.

Regularly priced up to \$100, these publications serve as great resources for information on fundraising, management, the sector, and more. Members are also able to purchase additional publications at reduced rates.

Newsletter

Nonprofit News is the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits' quarterly newsletter.

Sixteen pages of articles analyze current and emerging trends in the sector, alert

you of upcoming events and opportunities, honor achievements of those within the sector, and inform you of news affecting nonprofits around the state. As part of your organization's membership, multiple staff or volunteers at your organization will receive subscriptions to this valuable information resource.

Electronic Alerts

The *Minnesota Grants Alert* is a monthly electronic development update. Delivered by e-mail or fax, the Minnesota Grants Alert is full of timely news you'll find valuable to your nonprofit's grantseeking activities. Inside, you find information about Minnesota and national foundations and giving programs, new grant programs, guidelines and deadlines, grantmaking personnel changes, fundraising resources, and more. The Minnesota Grants Alert is free to receive, but only available to individuals within member organizations.

DISCOUNTS AND COST-SAVINGS

Workshops and Trainings

MCN educational and training programs are open to all nonprofits, but as a member, your staff and board will pay a reduced member rate for workshops and the Annual Conference. You'll also be invited to special members-only events.

Cost-saving programs

Using the bargaining power of 1,500 members, we've negotiated a growing list of partners and cost-saving programs for MCN members. These partnerships include banking, employee health benefits and retirement plans, magazine subscriptions, nonprofit insurance, and more.

Free Job Board postings

The MCN Job Board receives thousands of hits per day from quality prospective employees. As a member, your organization can place listings at the Job Board

at no charge (regularly priced \$49).

Discount Conference Room rental

Our St. Paul office boasts a high tech conference room with seating for up to 30 people. We make this room available for rent to community groups. MCN members receive first priority on availability and discounts on the rental rates.

ADVOCACY

MCN works on behalf of Minnesota's nonprofits at the state legislature, with city and county governments, and with our congressional delegation. We've lead efforts to defend nonprofits' tax exemption, protect nonprofits' right to engage in public policy, obtain public investment in nonprofit management assistance, and increase charitable giving incentives. MCN also works to help nonprofits prepare for their own legislative action with research and analysis, briefings, alerts, and trainings.

Regional Chapters

Greater Minnesota chapters in the Twin Ports area, Itasca County area, and Beltrami County area aid nonprofits in outstate regions to form coalitions and advocate for regional issues affecting nonprofit organizations.

MCN Events and Workshops 2005

August 2005

MCN Events * Partner Events * Holidays

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2 Starting a Nonprofit St. Paul	3 Insurance Basics for Nonprofits Webinar Building Lists for Voter Participation St. Paul	4	5 Nonprofits & Fundraising Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
8 Nonprofits & HR Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul	9	10	11	12 Nonprofits & Communications Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
15	16	17	18	19
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September 2005

MCN Events * Partner Events * Holidays

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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5 Labor Day - MCN Office Closed	6	7 Contracting Do's, Don'ts & Musts Webinar Session Wrap Up 2005 St. Paul	8 Communicator Workshop Series - Evaluating Communications Strategies Maplewood	9 Nonprofits & Fundraising Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
12 Nonprofits & HR Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul	13	14	15 Philanthropy Leaders Breakfast Series - Jane Kretzman Duluth	16 Nonprofits & Communications Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
19	20	21	22 Grantwriting Clinic St. Paul	23
26	27 Nonprofit Legal and Accountability Conference Minneapolis	28	29 Nonprofit 101 North Conference Duluth	30

October 2005

MCN Events * Partner Events * Holidays

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5 Conducting Effective Performance Appraisals Webinar	6 Communicator Workshop Series - Managing Reputation Maplewood	7 Nonprofits & Fundraising Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
10 Nonprofits & HR Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul Columbus Day	11 Follow the Dollars Duluth and Grand Rapids	12 Follow the Dollars Redwood Falls	13	14 Nonprofits & Communications Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
17	18	19	20	21
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November 2005

MCN Events * Partner Events * Holidays

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2 Staff Screening: What's New and What You Need to Know Webinar	3 MCN Annual Conference St. Paul	4 MCN Annual Conference St. Paul
7	8 Election Day	9	10 Communicator Workshop Series - Expanding Public Awareness Maplewood	11 Nonprofits & Fundraising Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul Veterans' Day
14 Nonprofits & HR Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul	15	16	17 Grantwriting Clinic St. Paul	18 Nonprofits & Communications Brown Bag Lunch St. Paul
21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving - MCN Office Closed	25 MCN Office Closed
28	29	30		