“Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.”

—Maya Angelou
Letter From Peggy Morrison Outon

Do the best you can...

Hello, beloveds...month six of the quarantine...in my mind’s eye, as I look around, I see you in your home offices and in your real offices, wearing masks and socially distant, getting work done, trying with all your might to do the best you can. What have we learned from this triple crisis of public health, racial injustice and economic disaster these last months?

What do we know better?

Here’s a few things I know better...we should not return to normal. The old normal was filled with injustice and inequity...too many people were treated with disrespect and ignored...I know that we have to do better at confronting our own roles in racial injustice. I know we must each examine our hearts and our behavior and not return to the old ways of working and thinking, seductive as that prospect is for our human brains who crave certainty and yearn for normal. Normal does not serve us.

I know that we must advocate for more fairness in technology resources. The digital divide has never gone away. It’s much more potent now as we all need to live big important parts of our lives digitally – and many are closed out of necessities because they lack the necessary technology. As a sector, and as a society, we must speak out, figure out and demand greater access to technological resources. We must do better.

I know we must support our workers on the front line. This morning, as so many mornings of the past few months, I heard an announcement on the radio of a food distribution by the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank. What must it be like right now working for the Food Bank? The press of human hunger on them constantly must be quite a challenge. So many of you have pivoted on your missions, seen and sought to meet the current needs...so many of you are feeding people. How can we help you? What would be truly helpful?

Surely, this is an opportunity for improvement. When my heart hurts as it is hurting now, songs come into my mind. I hear Leonard Cohen singing his song, “Anthem.”

There’s a crack in everything...that’s how the light gets in...

We know better – now we must do better, and if there ever was a group of people who know and do, it’s you, my nonprofit colleagues...it’s you. The opportunity of our life lies before us...we can, must and will do better. I know this to be true. I hope we can help you with the HOW – you’ve got the WHY.

Excelsior, beloveds...ever upward.

Peggy Morrison Outon

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7 Executive Director Huddles
Not like anybody else.

We're part of a university. We live the nonprofit life. We give you the time you need. These are the things that set us apart and are why thousands of organizations have come to trust the Bayer Center for Nonprofit Management at Robert Morris University as a comprehensive resource for education, consulting, coaching, research, and hands-on solutions for every aspect of nonprofit management.

Every one of our solutions is a custom solution.

At the Bayer Center, we build a stronger community by helping to build stronger, more knowledgeable nonprofits. We do this through collaboration, patience and relationships, combined with decades upon decades of diverse success experience.

Our approach to education is to stay on top of what’s happening in the sector, plan for what’s going to happen, listen to you, and offer the ever-adapting menu of classes you see described in this catalog.

Our approach to consulting and coaching is, when time permits and circumstances warrant, to enter into a process that builds mutual trust and respect and long-lasting results. And when time doesn’t permit, to help you deal with crisis in the instant and on the ground.

Our approach to thought leadership is to leverage our role as a Robert Morris University Center of Excellence, and to listen to you — through conversations, surveys, research and community gatherings — to bring together the best thinking on how our sector can most effectively enhance our community.

Your reality is our reality.

Organizations on the front line need realistic solutions. Sometimes that means taking a class. Sometimes it means an in-depth planning process. And sometimes it may mean figuring out how to keep the doors open next month.

In 20 years of service to the nonprofit community, the Bayer Center has completed over 2,200 consulting engagements and educated over 11,500 students. Our consulting clients include human services, arts, faith-based, community development, environmental and educational organizations with budgets ranging from $100,000 or less to more than $50,000,000. Our intensive and customized management, governance, and financial consulting services are designed to educate leaders and have resulted in:

- Higher-functioning governing boards
- Enhanced financial planning and management
- Increased partnerships and strategic alliances
- More effective approaches to fundraising
- Better informed, evidence-based decisions for future directions
- More capable nonprofit leaders and organizations
- Effective management information systems
- Heightened brand awareness
- A strategic approach to decision-making

In short, at the Bayer Center, we work with you: To provide effective and practical management and governance tools, information, education and research that strengthen nonprofit missions and multiply all investments of time, talent and money in regional nonprofit organizations.
GLOBAL LINKS, a Pittsburgh-based nonprofit, is a medical relief and development organization dedicated to supporting health improvement initiatives in resource-poor communities and promoting environmental stewardship in the US healthcare system. Recently celebrating their 30th anniversary, they have focused internally on board development to prepare the organization for many more milestone events. Global Links came to us through BoardsWork! seeking that development through individualized board member matching and an online retreat.

The goals of the engagement were to discuss and work on governance best practice, service growth and prioritization, response to uncertain times, and diversity, equity, and inclusion as a leader in the nonprofit social justice sector.

Their board met on Zoom with one of CCCE’s skilled BoardsWork! facilitators. Joining the meeting was a recently matched member from the program, a passionate and thoughtful FedEx director. Global Links actively participates in all areas of both the Bayer and Covestro Centers, including consulting contracts and class participation, to which BoardsWork! board members receive a discount as part of their engagement.

BLUEPRINTS, a SkillShare program participant, serves as the catalyst to mobilize the resources of the entire community to enable families and individuals to attain the skills, knowledge, motivations, and opportunities to become self-sufficient. As an organization they are proud to change people’s lives, embody the spirit of hope, improve communities, and make America a better place to live. Blueprints has partnered with CCCE for the past two years with teams of skilled consulting partners from local businesses to strengthen their operations.

They’ve been able to improve the management of their annual employee evaluation through use of an electronic performance tool through a previous SkillShare initiative. They also hope this year to develop a financial management report in the form of a dashboard that is visually appealing and informative for board members that would better support decision-making for their programming. The report would be designed to track key indicators and benchmarks related to success in operating an early childhood program.

Blueprints launched their new project in the spring but put progress on hold once the pandemic hit. They are excited to announce, however, that they’ve been able to continue their work with their team and the help of their ESC volunteer project advisor this summer. Program Director Brenda Fronzaglio said, “We are getting back on track with our SkillShare project and started meeting virtually. We appreciate the opportunity to be a part of the program! We are looking forward to having a better way to communicate data and monitor progress.”

BOARD CHAIR CHARLES R. VARGO SAID OF THE PROGRAM...

“Global Links celebrated its 30th anniversary this past year, and we have a relatively new Executive Director who replaced a ‘founding mother’ in this role. Coupling that with the retirement of several veteran board members and the appointment of new directors, it made perfect sense to engage BoardsWork! to facilitate a retreat. While we have done a great deal to formalize roles and responsibilities at the board level, it was the right time to reflect on our roots and constancy to our mission and come to a common understanding of key organizational issues so we could chart our future course. In many ways, our goal for the engagement was a non-traditional approach to a retreat.

Our facilitator did an excellent job of working with us to develop a framework for our retreat. She was very responsive to our unique needs and approach, and she helped us to craft a meaningful agenda to prepare our board to develop its action plan. Our retreat was initially scheduled for March, but with the COVID-19 pandemic, we deferred it until June, assuming we could do it in person at that time. We deferred it again, and ultimately held it as a virtual retreat in August.

While COVID-19 presented Global Links with a number of challenges, it also created a host of new opportunities for us to serve our local community with an expanded domestic program. Our conversations with our facilitator during these deferrals further enabled us to factor the pandemic and our response into our retreat.

Needless to say, we were apprehensive about having such an important activity virtually, rather than in person, because we were sure we would miss something by not being together in a common space. Our facilitator worked with us intently to make sure that our experience would give us what we needed. She was superb and used the background from our many conversations to produce a stimulating retreat experience. BoardsWork! also did a phenomenal job of supporting the technology, which enabled active participation from all our board members, including the effective use of small group chat rooms.

As I reflected on the experience with our Executive Director, Angela Garcia, we believe we were able to successfully achieve our goal to bring the board to the place where we can have the informed discussions we need to plan our actions and strategies going forward.

Thank you BoardsWork! for helping to get us to where we need to be!”

The Covestro Center for Community Engagement can help your nonprofit to thrive through partnership and programming in BoardsWork! and SkillShare. Our seasoned staff and trained ESC volunteers will pinpoint areas of growth and sustainability for you, including new and diverse talent, customized organizational solutions, and strong community relationships.

Contact us today to get started, or visit our website for more information.

Nonprofits can get connected by contacting Jennifer Pease at 412-397-6013 or pease@rmu.edu.
Some of the ways we assist organizations are:

• Analyzing financial performance ratios to identify areas of concern and aid in management decisions
• Clarifying cost allocations to determine how individual programs contribute to the bottom line or require subsidization
• Educating boards on what to monitor in financial reports and how to interpret the data
• Considering financial issues in strategic decision-making

For information about Bayer Center Financial Consulting, call 412-397-6000.

### Designing QuickBooks for Nonprofits

**Tuesday, Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. – noon**

QuickBooks is both inexpensive and functional, making it a good choice for nonprofits. Join us as we teach you to set up and design your QuickBooks system to meet the complex needs of your nonprofit, including: setting up your accounting for grants, restricted funds, programs, and fundraisers. There is a question and answer portion utilizing a live data file to demonstrate and answer specific questions.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Melanie Rutan, Bookminders

**FEE:** $40 each OR take both sessions for $65

### Mining QuickBooks for Nonprofits

**Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 10 a.m. – noon**

QuickBooks has grown to be a powerful, full-featured accounting package with the functionality of packages costing ten times as much. This seminar explores the intricacies of the QuickBooks reporting system and how to extract the information you need from this powerful management information system. There is a question and answer portion utilizing a live data file to demonstrate and answer specific questions.

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### Understanding Accounting Principles Unique to Nonprofit Organizations

**Thursday, Oct. 8 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.**

This class designed for nonprofit board members, Executive Directors, and management, who have a basic understanding of accounting concepts, will focus on the differences in accounting concepts between for-profit and nonprofit organizations. Topics will include recognition of contributions, impact of donor-restrictions to the financial statements, financial statement presentation differences from for-profit entities, timing of recognition of income and expenses, how recent accounting standards are impacting nonprofit financial statements, plus many other topics unique to nonprofit accounting.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Drew Zerick, Sisterson & Co. LLP

**FEE:** $35

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### Fiduciary Responsibility as Board and Finance Committee Members

**Wednesday, Nov. 4 from 10 – 11 a.m.**

If you are a board or finance committee member, you may be considered an investment steward. Investment stewardships are those responsible for managing investments within retirement plans, endowments, and foundations. Over the past few years, stewardships have been facing heightened scrutiny from plan participants, beneficiaries, donors, charitable recipients, and regulators. It is more important than ever for you to fully understand your fiduciary responsibilities. Many investment stewardships do not realize they are fiduciaries and fewer still are truly aware of the full scope of their responsibilities. Join us as we discuss what it means to be a fiduciary and how to implement the best practices as an investment steward to fulfill your obligations of this role.

**INSTRUCTORS:** Jared Henigin and Michael J. Ward, Wealth Management Partners, LLC

**FEE:** $30

### Nonprofit Operation and Financial Presentation Issues in Covid

**Thursday, Nov. 5 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.**

During this time of uncertainty, there are some new disclosures that nonprofits need to consider due to the current environment. Join us for an overview of Covid related operation and financial essentials including:

- Treatment of PPP Loans
- Going Concern
- Loan Modifications
- Contributions
- Connecting with supporters, constituents and donors
- Social Enterprise

**INSTRUCTORS:** Edward Scherer and Joe Delisi, H2R CPA

**FEE:** $35

### Prepping for an Audit Clinic (2-hour minimum)

Do the words financial audit make the hair on the back of your neck rise? Work with one of our volunteers to help make sure you’re tracking your finances well, walk through the audit process, and gather required documentation long before the auditors arrive.
Nonprofit Management CLASSES

Executive Director Huddles
Thursdays, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10 from noon – 1 p.m.

Break down the isolation barrier! This exclusive affinity group for nonprofit EDs and CEOs is a unique monthly forum in which nonprofit chief executives come together to share experiences, challenges, solutions, and best practices. Join us as we deepen connections and build a community of support among participants.

INSTRUCTORS: Wendy Burtner, Nonprofit Consultant
FEE: Free, but RSVP is required

Strategies for Getting Out the Vote
Friday, Sept. 11 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.
The three measures of social capital are volunteering, donating and voting. All three parts are challenging in this tumultuous environment, but of the three it is true that voting is crucial at this time. It is most important that every nonprofit worker needs to be a voter engagement professional this year. These community leaders will share practical and time-tested strategies for voter engagement. Join us for a provocative and useful conversation.

INSTRUCTORS: Peggy Morrison Outon, Bayer Center and Covestro Center (moderator); DeWitt Walton, The Pittsburgh A. Philip Randolph Institute; Hannah Laccop, Greater Pittsburgh Nonprofit Partnership; Kate Kelly, Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania
FEE: Free, but RSVP is required

Executive Director Boot Camp
Tuesday – Thursday, Sept. 15 – 17 from 10 a.m. – noon

ED Boot Camp is a three-day, entry-level webinar series for new executive directors. We will cover the basics of nonprofit management, including: tools and tips for effective leadership, organizational stability, fundraising, financial management, regulatory compliance, and governance. The webinars will be interactive and will draw on the experience of the participants to support and share creativity, learn new strategies, and identify action steps for personal, as well as organizational growth. For experienced nonprofit professionals who are new to the executive director role.

Day 1 – Nonprofit Management
Day 2 – Governance
Day 3 – External Affairs

INSTRUCTORS: Wendy Burtner, Nonprofit Consultant
FEE: $40 per session OR $100 for the whole series

Strategies Toward Equity
Friday, Sept. 18 from 10 – 11 a.m.

Join Anthony G. Robins, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer at Robert Morris University as he shares his insights about creating a more equitable and diverse university. We’ll also have a lively conversation about ways that nonprofits can address bias and create more equity in the communities where your nonprofit has an impact.

INSTRUCTORS: Anthony G. Robins, Robert Morris University; Yvonne Vantlivtsma, Covestro Center
FEE: $30

Does Your Case Statement Make the Grade?
Wednesday, Sept. 23 from 1 – 2 p.m.

One of the essential tools for successful fundraising is the “case for support,” also known as the case statement or statement of need. This sets forth the rationale for your fundraising initiative, whether you’re launching an annual campaign, a major gifts or capital campaign, or raising funds for some other purpose, such as an endowment. Considering its importance, it’s surprising how many nonprofits have difficulty putting the reason or reasons for their fundraising project into words. This webinar will discuss the various components of a case statement and the supporting information necessary to make a compelling case for support to your donor prospects.

INSTRUCTORS: Mark Lynch, Mark J. Lynch and Associates, LLC
FEE: $30

Five Steps to Growing Your Planned Giving Program in 2020
Wednesday, Sept. 23 from 1 – 2 p.m.

Whether you’re brand new to planned giving, or have a thriving program in place, this webinar will provide clear, tactical tips to navigating a year that is both extremely challenging and full of potential. We’ll highlight clear strategies that the country’s savviest nonprofits are using, share marketing templates you can make your own, and demystify one of the most confusing yet powerful types of philanthropy.

INSTRUCTORS: Patrick Schmitt, FreeWill
FEE: $30

Nonprofit isn’t nonprofit management?
At the Bayer Center, we view nonprofit management as a holistic quilt that weaves together diverse and mutually-supporting skills, from governance to fundraising to financial analysis to technology to marketing to forming partnerships and alliances... the list goes on and on. Put them all together and what you have is a strategic approach to decision-making that accounts for human needs and organizational sustainability. The following classes will help you learn the techniques; our coaching and consulting services will help you put them into practice.

Some of the ways we assist organizations are:
- Performing comprehensive organizational assessments
- Facilitating inclusive planning processes that adapt to an evolving definition of needs identified in the course of planning
- Recommending and exploring opportunities for partnerships and collaborations
- Creating fund development plans that reflect donor realities
- Researching and performing environmental scans that clarify the organization’s position within its service and competitive landscape
- Offering professional coaching to nonprofit leaders

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The Challenges and Opportunities in Fundraising During a Pandemic
Friday, Sept. 25 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.
All nonprofits are experiencing the enormous challenges of delivering programs in new and adaptive ways, but even more challenging for many is securing the financial resources to meet the community need. Join us for a thoughtful dialogue between an innovative and resourceful funder and a nonprofit executive who is protecting her mission while pivoting to meeting community need. Come with questions and your own insights. Let’s talk!

INSTRUCTOR: Peggy Morrison Outon, Bayer Center and Covestro Center (moderator); Mary Phan-Gruber, Jefferson Regional Foundation; Angela Garcia, Global Links

Fee: $35

Tools for Identifying Individual Donors
Wednesday, Sept. 30 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.
Everyone’s biggest question in fundraising is, “How do I find individual donors?” While there isn’t a secret place to find a list of individual donor prospects, there are ways to identify prospects by mapping your organization’s networks. We’ll spend the session discussing effective strategies and introducing useful tools your organization can use to identify new individual donors.

INSTRUCTOR: Emma Kieran, Pilot Peak Consulting

Fee: $35

Performance Management: A Year-Round Pursuit
Thursday, Oct. 1 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.
Employees, supervisors, and managers all seem to hate the performance management process equally. It is often time-consuming for supervisors and doesn’t get the expected results. Employees may feel judged or not appreciated. Since feedback and documentation are critical to organizations, how do we make the process work better? Join us for this session on the good, bad, and ugly of performance management as we discuss best practices and some of the key components to better systems. We will also discuss the importance of continuous communication and feedback between employees and their bosses.

INSTRUCTOR: Phyllis Hartman, PGHR Consulting, Inc.

Fee: $35

Conquering Your Donor Database Dragon
Wednesday, Oct. 7 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.
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INSTRUCTOR: Dave Tinker, ACHIEVA

Fee: $35

Board Chair Brainstorm
Mondays, Oct. 12 and Dec. 7 from noon – 1 p.m.
Attention all board chairs: YOU ARE NOT ALONE. Join this elite gathering of board chairs and board presidents for a time of brainstorming and bonding to share stories, challenges and build solutions around the issues involved in being a board chair. We’re in this together, even when we’re apart!

INSTRUCTOR: Dee Delaney, ESC

Fee: Free, but RSVP is required

How to Build Your Brand in Turbulent Times
Tuesday, Oct. 13 from 10 – 11 a.m.
Wow! What a year 2020 is turning out to be! The Covid-19 pandemic is just one of many crises we are all trying to live and work through. While things are reopening in various scattered stages following this first pandemic wave, no one has a clue how the next wave will impact us and how we should compete to win. Designed for leaders and marketers, this seminar will reveal the six key actions nonprofit organizations must take to improve their brand’s chances for success.

INSTRUCTOR: Stephen Wayhart, Brandmill

Fee: $30

Feedback and Difficult Conversations: In-Person and Virtual
Thursday, October 15 from 10 a.m. – noon
Communicating with others is hard enough in-person. In virtual settings, the challenges multiply. In this workshop we’ll address key strategies for good team communications that can be applied both in person and in the virtual environment. We’ll use Zoom interactions and break-out rooms for practice activities and discussions. Come prepared to have your camera “on” and actively participate as we learn and practice together.

INSTRUCTOR: Trina Walker, TUW Strategy

Fee: $40

We Consult!
Have a nonprofit need that classes can’t cover? Bayer Center consultants can work with you to design a custom contract that can help improve team functioning, create or update policies and procedures, fundraise more effectively, develop a more engaged and higher functioning board, and so much more…allowing you to do the work that makes a difference.

During our 20 years of service to the community, we have completed over 2,200 consulting engagements. Our clients include environmental, arts, education, human service, community development, and advocacy organizations with budgets ranging from $100,000 or less to more than $50,000,000.

We customize strategic planning contracts to match many different timelines and levels of complexity. Contact us at 412-397-6000 or bcnm@rmu.edu for more information.
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Putting LinkedIn to Work for Your Organization
Tuesday, Oct. 20 from 10 – 11 a.m.
Get the best strategies for your LinkedIn presence and put LinkedIn to work for your organization. HR professionals and nonprofits consider this ever-growing online platform essential for recruitment and awareness-raising. LinkedIn is also a dynamic platform in which to showcase your organization, experts, and more. Explore ways to support fundraising and marketing for your nonprofit or business. This session provides knowledge for how to create a stellar organizational profile and maximize visibility for your leaders, causes, and stars.
INSTRUCTORS: Lynette Asson, New Place Collaborations and Yvonne Hudson, Quantum Theatre
FEE: $30

Going Virtual with Your Fundraising Event
Wednesday, Oct. 21 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.
Join us for an advantageous conversation with three community leaders who have recently hosted virtual fundraising events: Inclusive Voices and Hotline Ring. One (Inclusive Voices) a time-honored community event based in rich conversation. The other (Hotline Ring) a collaborative event between organizations with aligned missions showcasing a dynamic representation of regional artists, projects, and programs. Though very different in their execution, both required the ability to be creative and adaptive in their planning, and our panelists will be ready to talk about how they managed to make each of their virtual fundraising events a success.
PANELISTS: Vikki Garner, PACE; Joseph Hall, Kelly Strayhorn Theatre; Erin Perry, Legacy Arts Project; Joyce Lewis-Andrews (moderator), Vincentian Charitable Foundation
FEE: $35 each OR $50 for both “Going Virtual” sessions

Going Virtual with Your Volunteer Engagement
Wednesday, Oct. 21 from 1 – 2 p.m.
If you are struggling to find creative ways to keep your volunteer base engaged in your mission while they can’t be there in person, this session is for you. Join us as we explore and discuss strategies for staying connected to your base supporters and also engaging new supporters in meaningful ways from afar.
INSTRUCTOR: Stacy Bodow, Global Links
FEE: $30 each OR $50 for both “Going Virtual” sessions

Leadership Skills for New Supervisors
Thursday, Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. – noon
The purpose of this webinar is to provide an overview of the various roles and functions of a supervisor. Designed for new leaders, we will address some of the key areas of a supervisor’s responsibility, including leading and managing, supporting and motivating, and teaching and developing others. We will also cover the fundamentals of goal setting and planning. Topics include:
1. Overview of key areas of a supervisor’s responsibility
2. Transitioning to Leadership: Issues and Challenges
3. Avoiding Common Mistakes and Pitfalls
4. Managing Your Time: Goal Setting, Planning and Prioritizing
5. Best Bosses: What Type of Leader Do You Want To Be?
6. Managing Performance: Supervising and Developing Others
7. Role Modeling: Identifying Key Professional Behaviors
INSTRUCTOR: Tom Sullivan, Professional Growth Associates
FEE: $40

Executive Coaching
More than just a sympathetic ear, the Bayer Center’s coaching program can help you be more effective at managing others, managing yourself, managing change, and balancing the demands of your professional and private lives. Our coaches can help you achieve a more effective organization and a peaceful night’s sleep! Especially beneficial to those new to supervision and management, coaches help you draw on your own natural wisdom to make better decisions from a place of clarity and confidence.
COST: $500 for each 6-hour coaching engagement. Smaller packages may be negotiated upon request. For more information, please contact Carrie Richards at 412-397-6008 or richardsc@rmu.edu.

Custom Training and Clinics
Like the topic but can’t make the training? Want to bring a set of skills to your entire team? Searching for something that’s not quite a match for what’s in the catalog? Custom training may be just what you’re looking for. We work with you to design and facilitate interactive trainings for groups of 5 to 105 on topics ranging from change management and leadership to communication and customer service. Our extensive experience in conducting workshops can be tailored to your organization’s specific needs. For more information, contact us at 412-397-6000 or bcnm@rmu.edu.
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**Human Resource Guidance for Nonprofits in the Age of COVID-19**

Wednesday, Oct. 28 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Hang on… it is going to be a bumpy ride!!! This webinar will focus on issues with returning employees to the workplace, leave issues due to childcare or quarantine, your obligations under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, and wage and hour concerns when you have employees work from home. If that isn’t enough, we will discuss sending sick employees home, dealing with employees who don’t want to come to work, and learning what OSHA has to say about all of this. And if that isn’t enough, we will throw in some general expectations for cleanliness in the workplace. Can we do all of this in one 90 minute webinar? YES. Please bring questions. Webinars are much more fun with interaction.

INSTRUCTOR: Jim Southworth, Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C.
FEE: $35

**Principles for Emergency Planning**

Thursday, Oct. 29 from 1 – 2:30 p.m.

This webinar covers the consideration and steps needed plan for disasters and emergencies for businesses and nonprofits. Having a plan reduces the impact on employees, property, and operations and allows for business continuity and faster recovery. We will discuss why preparation and planning is essential, creating a plan, identifying mission priorities, employee accountability and safety, incident management tools, creating a communications strategy, emergency preparedness training, and recovery.

INSTRUCTOR: Frank X. Hartle, Robert Morris University
FEE: $35

**Strategic Scenario Planning**

Friday, Nov. 6 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.

A key quality of leadership is the ability to anticipate. Boy, is that true now! A tool that many leaders have employed is scenario planning, which demands that the participants think all the way around the situation or problem they are facing. This kind of thinking is a protection from unpleasant surprise. Join us as we talk to two outstanding community leaders about how they are anticipating the future, creating a variety of scenarios to address it, and flexing when nothing goes the way they thought it would.

INSTRUCTOR: Peggy Morrison Outon, Bayer Center and Covestro Center (moderator); Trisha Gasdon, Macedonia FACE; Josh Whiteside, The Education Partnership
FEE: $35

**Program Design Primer: Creating Fundable, Evaluation-Ready Programs**

Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.

New programs and services are often reactive: the community has a need, or a funder has resources to address a specific challenge. But to be successful, you need a good process, the right people at the table, and a plan for evaluation. This webinar is a primer on designing new programs and revising existing programs to meet community needs. You will learn who to involve in designing and revising programs, how to assess demand and community need, what to do if an existing program is falling short of its goals, and how to build in data and evaluation from the beginning.

INSTRUCTOR: Jon Hoffman, Hoffman Consulting
FEE: $35

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FEE: $35

**Wage & Benefit Survey**

When you’re setting salaries, the Wage & Benefit Survey for Southwestern PA Nonprofit Organizations is the only comprehensive guide in our region. This invaluable tool gives you all the information you need to comply with IRS requirements for setting compensation packages, to remain competitive in your own retention and succession planning, and to develop organization-wide salary charts.

As we prepare to gather data for the 2021 edition, the cost of the 2019 survey will be reduced to $100 for nonprofits with budgets under $2 million, and $150 for nonprofits with budgets over $2 million. Once purchased, the research can be shared with anyone within your organization. Nonprofits who participate in the survey receive the results for free. For more information about how to purchase your copy, visit bcnm.rmu.edu/ProgramsServices/ResearchPublications.

Additionally, we will need your help to gather the new data this coming October. Once again, the survey report will be distributed to participants at no charge. Contact Carrie Tancrair at 412-397-6003 or tancrai@rmu.edu to find out how to participate.

**Applied Research at the Bayer Center**

Based at Robert Morris University, research is second nature to the Bayer Center. We know how important it is to understand the nonprofit world in which we work, and we strive constantly to deepen that understanding for you and for our own work. When we ask you to participate in one of our research projects, please do. Your quiet reflection leads to more effective action for all of us.

And, if you need assistance with research of your own, the Bayer Center for Nonprofit Management at Robert Morris University is here to help.

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**WHAT NOW?**

From the 74% research we found that local nonprofit organizations and individuals are ill-prepared for the pending retirement boom, which resulted in our most recent research project, “What Now?” This research confirms that retirement and succession planning for nonprofit organizations is scarce. How nonprofits respond to this reality will shape the future of the sector. However, despite the dismal statistics, there is optimism for change. We encourage you to continue to follow this journey as we enter the solution-building phase.
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BoardsWork! Board Member Virtual Training
Thursday, Nov. 12 and Nov. 19 from 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Whether you’re a seasoned board member or looking for your first board experience, you’ll learn effective nonprofit governance that will prepare you to be matched with a local nonprofit or enhance your current board service. In these webinars, we’ll cover the full gamut of nonprofit governance including boardmanship, fundraising, financial oversight, planning and technology.

INSTRUCTORS: Peggy Morrison Oston, Bayer Center and Covestro Centers and special guests
FEE: $500 ($400 without matching)

Safety and Health Awareness for Nonprofits
Friday, Nov. 13 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Many nonprofits may have had safety and health injuries and illnesses occur, or losses to their facilities caused by safety deficiencies, but have not been able to adequately address and manage the risks proactively. This webinar is intended to provide basic core information to nonprofit leaders and managers on how to recognize occupational safety and health risks, reduce or eliminate them, and ways to limit their potential to come back. It will introduce simple, easy to use safety survey/checklists to identify potential occupational safety and health problem areas.

Attendees will be introduced to volunteer occupational safety and health professionals to help in reviewing and prioritizing results of self-administered surveys, conducting safety survey assessments and/or to help with risk reduction recommendations where needed.

INSTRUCTORS: Raffie Sessa, Fran Sehn, Tom Blank, and Frank Pokrywka, The American Industrial Hygiene Association, and the American Society of Safety Professionals
FEE: $35

Developing Coaching Skills as a Manager
Tuesday, Nov. 17 from 10 – 11 a.m.

Coaching is one of the key ways to engage employees and help them to reach their full potential. This can mean helping a poor performer improve, helping your best performer be even better, or helping others acquire skills that will give them increased opportunities. Managers know that all the conflicting demands on their time can make it easy to put off the important task of developing employees. However, the most effective managers see developing employees as a key leadership responsibility.

Joel will give you key actions to use when coaching for optimal employee performance.

INSTRUCTOR: Joel Burstein, Keep it Simple Training and Development, LLC
FEE: $30

Understanding Corporate Social Responsibility and Partnering with Companies
Thursday, Nov. 19 from 1 – 2:30 p.m.

Most companies have a corporate social responsibility strategy. That includes partnering with nonprofits in their local community. By understanding a company’s perspective more closely, it will help facilitate building partnerships. This webinar, led by practitioners in the field, will help explain the larger picture of CSR and the importance of the relationships at the local level.

INSTRUCTORS: Stacey Brodak and Lee Ann Wainwright, Waynesburg University and Yvonne VanHaitsma, Covestro Center
FEE: $35

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Board Basics (2-hour minimum)
Are you launching or rebuilding your board? Do you have a number of questions about the basics of board operations (meetings, officers, terms and term limits, key policies and functions, committees, etc.)? Register for this deep dive into board basics, where we’ll answer your most pressing governance questions using a basic board assessment tool, and put your board on a path to success.

Bylaws Clinic
Bylaws are important in directing the board and the organization. Due to recent changes in the 990 legislation, many nonprofits’ bylaws are not in compliance with best practices. During this clinic, we will review your bylaws, give you suggestions for improvements, and guide you on how to discuss these with your board.

Employee Handbook Clinic (2-hour minimum)
Is your employee handbook up to date, and are all the vital elements included? Does its wording comply with wage and hour laws? Is it truly the employee information source that you would like it to be? We can help! During the clinic, we will do a complete review of your handbook and point out the sections that are missing or require revisions.

Governance Clinic
Nonprofit governance is complex and nuanced. Let us help you navigate topics like committee structures or advisory boards; board member recruitment or on-boarding; or the board’s role in fundraising, planning, financial, or HR oversight. Bring your most burning board-governance questions, ask someone with seasoned experience, and leave with some potential next steps. This clinic is ideal for board members and Executive Directors.

HR Clinic
Do your HR policies need to be updated? Is expansion requiring more staff and more new job descriptions? Are you facing layoffs, or do you have a pregnant staffer and no maternity policy? We can help you with these and other issues, including creating better performance appraisals, improving employee relations, and restructuring benefits and compensation.

Marketing Clinic
In this clinic, we’ll review your current marketing strategy and material, and give you advice about where you should focus your energy to align with your mission, customers, and needs.

Nonprofit Start-up Clinic (2-hour minimum)
Thinking of starting a nonprofit? We’ll give you one-on-one guidance with the next steps – whether it is more research, looking into fiscal sponsorship, or reviewing an exemption application. We’ll guide you through different options and the decision-making process.
Creating Effective Social Media Content
Wednesday, Sept. 23 from 10 – 11:30 a.m.

If a tree falls on social media and no one is around to ‘like’ it, does it make a sound? Sometimes a post to social media gets engagement and sometimes it gets crickets. You don’t have to be a digital native to get your message across on social media. This interactive webinar will explore how to create effective social media content through a multi-step process that you can use at your own organization. Come prepared to explore how to tell your agency’s story more effectively through social media.

INSTRUCTOR: Dave Tinker, ACHIEVA
FEE: $35

Using Google Drive and Docs in the Workplace
Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 1 – 3 p.m.

Google Drive is a free, collaborative tool that lets you keep all your work in one place, view different file formats without buying extra software, and access your files from any device. We’ll take a dive into both Google Drive, as well as Google Docs, Google Drive’s equivalent of Microsoft Word.

INSTRUCTOR: Garrett Cooper, BenefitMany
FEE: $40 or $60 for both “Google” sessions

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INSTRUCTOR: Dave Tinker, ACHIEVA
FEE: $35

Using Google Sheets and Slides in the Workplace
Tuesday, Oct. 13 from 1 – 3 p.m.

This productivity webinar features an overview of Google Sheets and Google Slides, the equivalent of Microsoft Office’s Excel and PowerPoint applications. Learn how to use these online versions of these two useful tools in a format that allows users to seamlessly collaborate on projects as a team.

INSTRUCTOR: Garrett Cooper, BenefitMany
FEE: $40 or $60 for both “Google” sessions

Advanced Excel: Hands-on
Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The deeper you go into Excel, the more directions you can pursue. In this full-day, in-person class, we’ll have plenty of time to go beyond the typical functions and into more magic, timesaving techniques you may not have used before. We’ll cover creating links between sheets, text manipulation, pivot tables, advanced formulas and customizing charts beyond the wizard. This session will combine context for techniques, guided practice, and ample time for questions.

INSTRUCTOR: Sara Thurston, Allegheny Department of Human Services
FEE: $125

LOCATION:
The Bayer Center for Nonprofit Management, Robert Morris University, Benjamin Rush Center, 6001University Blvd, Moon Township, PA 15108
Peggy Morrison Outon is the founding Executive Director of the Bayer Center for Nonprofit Management at RMU, and now serves as Assistant Vice President for Community Engagement and Leadership Development at Robert Morris University. She is also the founding Director of the Centers for Effective Nonprofit Management in Austin, Texas, and New Orleans, and the founding board chair of the Alliance for Nonprofit Management. A nationally noted consultant, fundraiser, and trainer, Peggy has worked with more than 1,000 nonprofit clients and with the help of many people, helped organizations raise in excess of $40 million. She served as founding member of the Drucker Foundation’s international training team and as a trainer. She has been an active community volunteer, serving on 33 community boards and countless committees. In August 2006, she was named to the national Nonprofit Times Top 50 for Power and Influence. Peggy has been also recognized locally by several organizations, including the Girl Scouts, Pittsburgh City Council, and was named by the Pittsburgh Business Times as a 2020 Woman of Influence.

Shelby Gracey is Office Coordinator at the Bayer Center for Nonprofit Management at Robert Morris University, responsible for keeping the center’s office functions flowing smoothly. After receiving an A.S. from Lake-Sumter Community College, as well as certification as a professional secretary, she went on to work in healthcare public relations, word processing, and computer support. Shelby is also organist and director of music at Sunset Hills United Presbyterian Church, where she coordinates and plays music for church services, and directs the adult, children’s, and handbell choirs.

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