Grant Writing It is a process, not a project.



Blanche Davis Moore Foundation
Second Annual Grant Distribution Meeting
Friday, January 18, 2019, 10:30 a.m.

Congratulations!

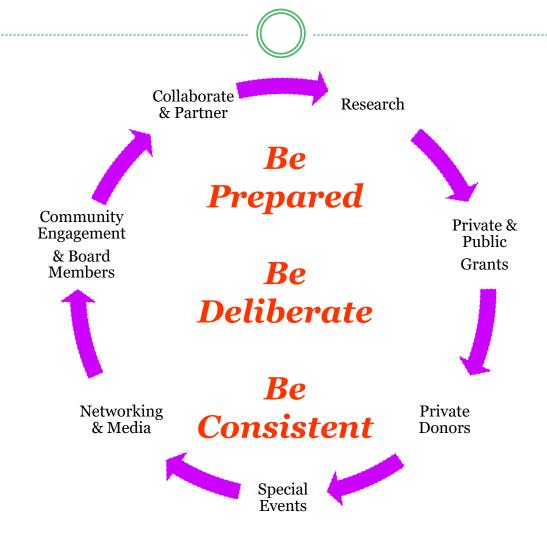
You are ALL winners!



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- Nearly **25 years** of experience.
- Raised **\$80** million from a wide array of sources-U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Health Resources and Services Administration, National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Texas Department of State Health Services, State Energy Conservation Office, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the Federal Home Loan Bank, Texas Veterans Commission, various City governments, and numerous private corporations and foundations.
- Works closely with private, for-profit corporations in responding to requests for proposals and winning multi-million dollar contracts.
- What's in a name?

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Be Prepared

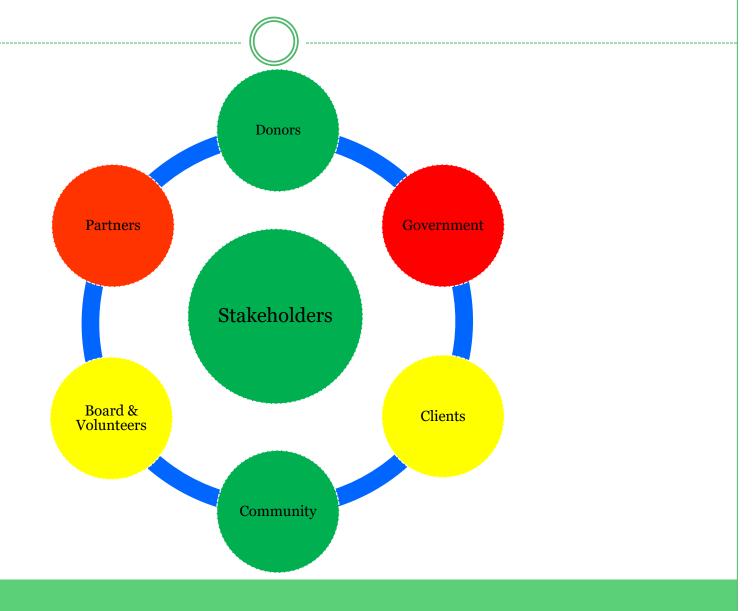


Vision, Mission, Goals, Action Plan

- Vision
 Big Picture
- Mission
 Definition
- Goals/Objectives
 Measurable
- Action Plan Logical steps



Know Your Stakeholders



Identify Specific Needs

- What does the agency need to operate at capacity?
- Wish list of necessary operational and capital needs with associated costs.

- Identify your wants vs. your needs.
- Be reasonable.



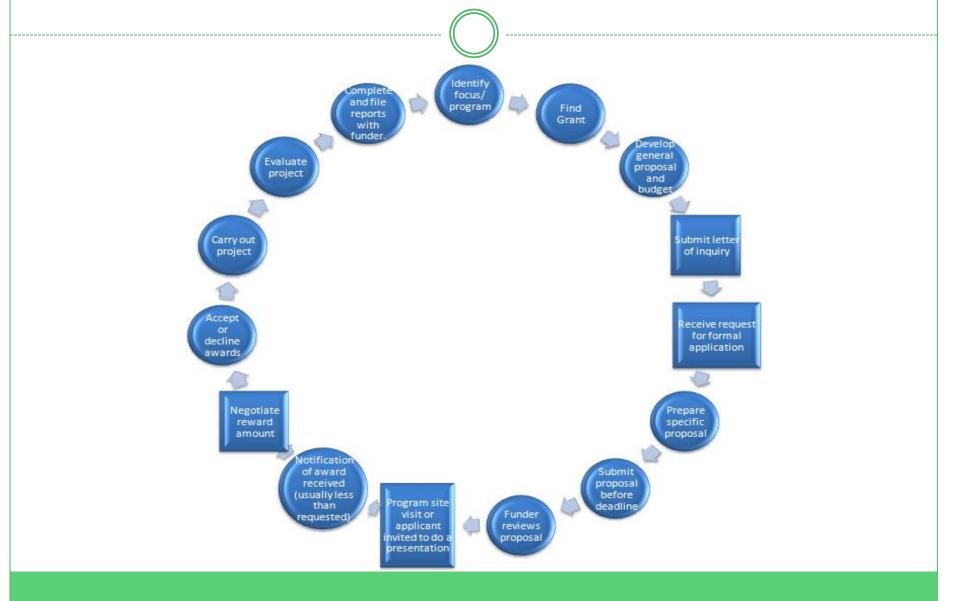
Be Deliberate

<u>de·lib·er·ate</u> [deliberate]

Adjective: done consciously and intentionally.

Synonyms: intentional · calculated · conscious · done on purpose · intended

Lifecycle of a Grant



Organizational Profile

- A. Mission Statement
- B. Goals/Objectives
 SMART Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Timely.
- C. Vision
- D. History of Organization
- E. Current Activities including number served Duplicated vs. unduplicated
- F. Organizational Budget
 Revenue and expenses

Project / Program Profile

- A. Problem Statement / Need
- B. Project Description
- C. Goals / Objectives SMART Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Timely
- D. Work plan
 Timeline/Responsible Party/Action Steps
- E. Evaluation
- F. Project / Program Budget
- G. Architectural Renderings / Photographs / Maps

Support Documentation

- A. Board of Directors

 (officers, name, address and telephone, profession, race, gender)
- B. Key Staff Resumes
- C. Tax Exempt Status
- D. Letters of Support / Cooperative Agreements
- E. Form 990
- F. Audited Financial Statement

It is All in the Details

- Identify project. (operating vs. project/program vs. capital)
- Familiarize yourself with the funder.
- Network with funder, if permitted.
- READ THE INSTRUCTIONS.
- FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS.
- Make an outline.
- Think like a grantor and not like a grantee.

It is All in the Details

- Speak the language of the funder.
- Use consistent terminology.
- Write for a lay reviewer. Do not assume prior knowledge.
- Do not use acronyms.
- Follow logical steps.
- Don't try to be all things to all funders.

Be Consistent



IF YOU ARE PERSISTENT, YOU WILL GET IT.

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Consistency is the Key

- "I want one of those renewal grants."
- Network. Be informed.
- Keep an annual schedule.
- Follow up with reports/progress.
- "A rising tide lifts all boats." John F. Kennedy
- Strengthen your team.
- Write thank you notes.
- Host events.
- People give to people.
- "The whole is greater than the sum of its parts."- Aristotle

Questions and Answers





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