Communities Rise Capacity Building Services

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What you will learn today:

- Communities Rise Resources for community
- How to access Communities Rise resources



Communities Rise Services: Two sides

Capacity Building Services

Legal Services



Capacity Building Support for Nonprofits

Grant Writing Clinic

- Monthly Clinic
- Meet with Prof.
 Grantwriter
- Up to 60 mins.
- Free consulting
- Next Clinic: Dec 13, 3:30 6pm
- By appointment

Fundraising Clinic

- Quarterly Clinic
- Meet with Fundraising Professional
- up to 1.5 hours
- Free consulting
- Next Clinic: Dec 13, 5:30pm - 6pm
- by appointment

Seattle and or Bellevue CB Cohort

- 9-monthprogram; MarchDec 2022
- One-on-One coaching
- Peer-to-Peer sharing, learning and connection
- Workshops on CB topics identified by cohort
- \$4500 Stipend
- Info session Feb 2022

CR Wellness Series - Monthly

- CR/RVC Wellness
 Series
- BIPOC ED Coalition Wellness Program
 - Healers,
 Wellness,
 Collective
 healing sessions
 - RespiteProgram



Legal Support for Nonprofits and Small Businesses

Monthly Legal Clinic

- Monthly Clinic
- Meet with Attorney
- 1 hour
- Free
- by appointment
- Next Nonprofit Clinic: January 19, 2022; 5-7 pm
- Next Small Bus Clinic: January 12, 2022; 5:30 - 7pm

Covid-19 Clinic

- On-Going Clinic
- Meet with Attorney
- 1 hour
- Free
- by appointment
- On-going scheduled at convenient time for client and attorney

Trainings and Resources

- Webinars on legal topics
 - Upcoming: : New NonprofitAct Dec 2, 12 noon
- Online Resources
 - WA Nonprofit Handbook
 - Starting a Nonprofit Toolkit
- Let's Go Legal Series
- Nonprofit Legal Checklist
- Commercial Lease Toolkit
- Community Collaboration Toolkit



How do nonprofits sign up for Grant Writing, Fundraising or Monthly Legal Clinic?

- Website "Upcoming Events" calendar under "News & Events" tab
 - Instructions and contact information for each clinic



What kind of help will Nonprofits get at our Legal Clinic?

- Nonprofit Tax-Exempt Law
- General Employment questions (furloughs, leaves, layoffs, etc)
- Commercial Leases Lease Amendments/Lease Termination
- Insurance and Risk
- Contracts (non-performance, amendments, etc)
- Intellectual Property (trademarks, copyrights)



Covid-19 Legal Clinic

- What is it:
 - FREE one-on-one consultation with a lawyer by phone or video conference
- Who can come to the clinic:
 - Small Businesses and Nonprofits
 - 50 or less employees
 - Business hurt by Covid-19
 - \$2 million



How do nonprofits or sm. businesses sign up for Covid Legal Clinic?

• Online intake form on the Communities Rise website:

https://communities-rise.org/covid-19-resources/legal-inquiry/

- We are translating into Spanish and Chinese
- We will match with lawyer
- Lawyer will email client to schedule a time to talk
- We expect it will take 3-7 days to get attorney email from time of client request.



What kind of help will businesses get at Covid Legal Clinic?

- Federal Loan/grant programs (CARES Act and Families First Act)
- General Employment questions (furloughs, leaves, layoffs, etc)
- Commercial Leases Lease Amendments/Lease Termination
- Insurance and Risk
- Contracts (non-performance, amendments, etc)
- Bankruptcy, business closure, dissolution
- Nonprofit Tax-Exempt Law
- Other Business Legal questions related to covid-19 issues



Direct Services: Small Business

- Legal services for small businesses include:
 - <u>Income qualifications</u> for small business legal assistance 80% of Median Income
 - Direct services via Small Business Legal Services application, legal work that requires longer time commitment, representation by volunteer attorney



Other Covid Resources

- Smallbizhelpwa.com website
 - Up to date info on Federal (PPP, EIDL, Shuttered Venue) and WA State funding opportunities for small businesses
 - WA Lender List for PPP Loan
 - TA providers
 - Small business centers
 - 501 Commons
- SBA.gov website
- WA Nonprofits –CR Webinars



Thank you!

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