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Each month, UEDA will send out this electronic bulletin to our members, which will include updates on the latest headlines in community and economic development. We will also feature short articles and a list of upcoming events and activities of interest to UEDA members.

MEMBER FEATURE: The Nonprofit Center of Milwaukee

In July, the Nonprofit Center of Milwaukee celebrated their 40th anniversary, appropriately titled “helping you helping others.” The Greater Milwaukee nonprofit community is fortunate to have this valuable resource available, providing a variety of services and educational opportunities that support the work of nonprofit organizations. Over 350 organizations are members of the Nonprofit Center. The organization continues to develop programs and services to support their work.

In particular, the Nonprofit Center of Milwaukee offers a variety of workshops that are geared towards assisting the professional development of nonprofits in financial management, fund development, human resources, technology and other areas. For example, you can subscribe to the *Weekly Workshop Bulletin*, which is sent out electronically each week and lists the learning opportunities available. Or, you can use the services of the newly opened *Finance Center*, or the *Neighborhood Data Center*. You may also post any open positions at your organization on the *Jobs That Serve* website and you will reach those interested in working for a nonprofit. Visit their website at www.nonprofitcentermilwaukee.org for more information all their programs and serves, and how you can get connected!

Upcoming Workshops at the Nonprofit Center: Please RSVP for any of these workshops by calling (414) 344-3933.

Note: Some of these workshops have registration fees, so please inquire about rates.

- **TA Connections** – Tuesday, September 11th from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Get acquainted with the services of the Nonprofit Center of Milwaukee and learn how they can support you in building the capacity of your organization!
- **Creating a Fund Development Plan** – Wednesday, September 12th from 9am to Noon. Learn how to create a fund development plan for your organization, identifying proactive and aggressive strategies for fundraising.
- **Fall 2007 Human Resource Series** – This series will help define key human resource responsibilities critical for effective management and supervision of your employees. The first session starts on Thursday, September 20th and focuses on the recruiting and hiring process. There are three classes total; you can attend one or all three. Call the Nonprofit Center for more information.
- **Accountable Finance: Ensuring Integrity** – Wednesday, October 3rd from 8:30 a.m. to Noon. This half-day session will focus on steps needed to ensure greater accountability and how to utilize practical tools to strengthen the mission of your organization. The featured presenter is Dottie Johnson, Director of Financial Management Services Program of Lumity, now part of the Nonprofit Financial Center.

What is a TIF? How does it support economic development?

These questions and more were addressed on July 24th at the **Tax Increment Finance Practice and Policy Seminar**, sponsored by LISC Milwaukee and the Helen Bader Foundation. Over 100 government employees, attorneys, real estate brokers, private developers and community development organizations attended this one-day seminar to learn about Tax Incremental Financing. The seminar was intended to educate attendees on how TIFs are created, and what policies could be pursued to support future community and economic development initiatives. The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) worked with LISC Milwaukee to bring in development finance experts from around the country to discuss their experience in developing policies and practices for TIFs. CDFA will summarize the discussion and ideas from this seminar in a white paper, to be published in the next few months. Visit www.lisc.org/milwaukee or www.cdfa.net for more information on this seminar and development financing tools.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Wednesday, August 29th** is the **Workforce Development Center Regional Health Care Career Fair**. From 11am to 3pm at the Waukesha County Technical College Gym, more than 40 employers will be there, looking to hire individuals from entry level to professional, part-time to full-time in the health care sector. Contact Staci Eggert-Dziedzic at (262) 695-7882 for more information.
- **Fall 2007 Adult Learning Center Courses** – Starting in September, the Adult Learning Center will be offering a variety of educational programs in the areas of GED/HSED, “Street Law” and using Computers. Call them at (414) 263-5874 for more information on dates and registration.
- **Fall 2007 Housing Law Seminars** – These seminars, presented in various cities around the state by the Tenant Resource Center will benefit anyone who lives in or provides rental housing, or those who work with rental

housing issues. Seminars begin on September 6th in Stevens Point, WI, and on **Tuesday, October 23rd**, they will be in Milwaukee at Independence First 600 W. Virginia Street. For more information on how to register and a complete listing of all dates and locations, call (608) 257-0143 or email office@tenantresourcecenter.org.

- **Saturday, September 8th** is the **Grandparenting Summit: Parenting the Second Time Around**. This one-day event, held at Heartlove Place Ministries, 3229 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive from 8:30am to 2:15pm, and will offer free information, workshops and resources for grandparents who find themselves parenting again. To register, call (866) 448-3611 x6317. Childcare and bus passes are available upon request.
- **October 7 – 13, 2007** is **Money Smart Week Wisconsin!** During this week, over 150 events will be held in the metropolitan Milwaukee area to promote financial literacy and offer services and education to the public. Many of these workshops and opportunities will be FREE. Visit www.moneysmartwi.org for a complete event listing.
- **Saturday, October 13th** “Make Your Money Talk” workshop at WWBIC: **Retirement and Your Financial Future**. Learn how to plan for your financial future by attending this workshops from 10am to Noon at the Ameritech King Commerce Center, 2745 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive.
- **Save the Date!** WWBIC’s Annual Luncheon will be held on **Wednesday, October 24, 2007** at the Midwest Airlines Center. Celebrating 20 years of WWBIC, this event will feature B. Smith as a keynote speaker, host of the lifestyle television show “B. Smith with Style” and has appeared on Oprah, ABC’s Good Morning America, The View and NBC’s Today. Visit www.wwbic.com for more information.

OTHER MEMBER & ISSUE UPDATES

Remember – the launching of the **Wisconsin Nonprofits Association** is just beyond the horizon! Memberships and benefits will be available in September. Stay in touch, help endorse the efforts of this exciting organization and encourage others to visit their website where you can register to receive the latest happenings from the WNA:

www.wisconsinnonprofits.org.

City of Milwaukee Housing Trust Fund Update: At the June Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Advisory Board meeting, the board approved a schedule for the City of Milwaukee’s Request For Proposals (RFP). The RFP will be issued on August 21, 2007, and RFPs are due to the City of Milwaukee’s Community Development Grants Administration office on September 7, 2007. Funding recommendations and approvals will be made in October. Additionally, the Advisory Board established a Finance Subcommittee to continue working on securing ongoing or dedicated funding sources. **Please contact the Mayor and your Common Council member about the importance of continuing to fund the HTF.** Visit www.city.milwaukee.gov to contact them directly; you can also email the Mayor at mayor@miwaukee.gov.

This bulletin is a service for our members. If you would like to know how you can become a UEDA Member, contact us at the phone number below or visit our website’s membership page for details.

If you have a suggestion for an upcoming UEDA Member Bulletin, please contact Kristi Luzar, Program Manager, at Kristi@uedawi.org.

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