



FUTURE READY OREGON WORKFORCE READY GRANTS Round Two: Innovation in Workforce Programs

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS

The Higher Education Coordinating Commission has contracted with the below-named contractors to provide potential applicants coaching and technical assistance through the RFA process. Potential applicants can expect to receive assistance and guidance in determining their eligibility and in preparing their applications from the Technical Assistance Providers. **This service is being made available to all potential applicants at no cost.** To access this service please call or email one of the following options (they are listed alphabetically):

Boules Consulting

Marianne Boules is the founder and owner of Boules Consulting, a full-service social impact firm specializing in the grants cycle. Since her company's founding in 2018, Marianne has helped raise over \$31 million in grants for various agencies, nonprofit organizations, and social enterprises. Marianne has a background in Public Policy and is especially well-versed in writing about economic development and workforce development projects that are innovation-based and integrate racial equity into the design. Specific populations that Marianne has experience with include BIPOC, rural, and low-income populations. Some selected projects that Marianne has worked on includes in the California-based iHub2 program, which was designed to foster BIPOC-founded tech startups while stimulating the state economy, and the NSF Economic Innovation Engine, a \$160 million initiative to catalyze and foster equitable innovation ecosystems around the United States.

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Grassroots NW

Bill Weismann has devoted his professional career as an agent for social change. Beginning as a VISTA Volunteer in rural New Hampshire organizing low-income tenants and designing self-help services, he has worked for five decades with nonprofit organizations and public agencies seeking social justice. He served from 1983 to 1994 as Executive Director of three Oregon statewide citizen action organizations, including Children First for Oregon. His skillset includes grant writing, community collaboration, meeting facilitation, resource development, and program planning. Bill specializes in guiding smaller organizations to the next stage of development. Since 1995 Bill's consulting business, Grassroots NW, has served dozens of diverse clients. Bill is a skilled grantwriter, having secured more than \$30 million in grant awards. Clients include both BIPOC- and women-led organizations, and grassroots groups and public partnerships. Funded workforce development projects include ones led by Oregon Tradeswomen, Urban League of Portland and Clackamas Workforce Partnership.

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Next Level Nonprofit Consulting LLC

Ann Craig and Lynn Egli, managing partners of Next Level Nonprofit Consulting, will be providing direct, personal technical assistance to applicants. **Coaching Experience:** We have provided Technical Assistance to over 50 Workforce Ready applicants during Workforce Ready Round One 2022 initial cycle. **Expertise:** We are hands-on, nonprofit practitioners with years of experience in forming, growing, funding and operational management of nonprofits and educational institutions. Our technical experience is especially strong in grant writing/management, financial/budget planning, operations, and board governance. Our nonprofit sector experience is especially strong in youth, disabilities, rural communities, and higher education. **Oregon-based:** Ann lives in Portland. In addition to consulting Ann is the executive director of \$3M youth services nonprofit in Corvallis. Ann has been very successful over the past 15 years in writing large federal, state and foundation grants. Lynn lives in Eugene has founded and grown several new nonprofits and serves on multiple nonprofit boards.

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Nonprofit Success Group

At Nonprofit Success Group we work collaboratively with you (nonprofits and funders) to dismantle the barriers faced by your organizations, teams and leaders doing mission-driven work. We bring hands-on experience in capacity-building, designing, managing and evaluating programs, and creating giving programs. We have submitted private and public grants that have raised over \$20 million in the past few years. Your team brings passion for the work and the ability to support your community in unique ways. Our team comes from diverse communities and life experiences that we share with you and the communities you serve. You are a nonprofit of any size and age seeking to successfully build and/or expand your grant writing, reporting and overall fund development skills. You may also be interested in creating supports and structures that your agency can use again and again to develop successful proposals (knowledge library, trackers, procedures). Together we share a vision of nonprofit excellence that moves missions forward, creates and maintains strong operations, and fills teams with joy.

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Se Puede

Andrés (he/they) provides culturally-responsive consulting through Se Puede PDX. They work alongside individuals and organizations looking to create an equitable social impact. His work has included program design and evaluation, procurement, grant scoring and evaluation, federal grant administration, and grant writing. Their roles have included



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working in government, nonprofit administration, and consulting. Andrés' experience, with dozens of nonprofits and government jurisdictions, has focused on the application of an equity lens across their work and centering lived experience in program delivery. Andrés leverages his identities, as a queer Latinx business owner and the child of a single mom - a nurse (RN) who immigrated from Perú, in his commitment to co-creation and collaborative thought partnership. He's a longtime Oregonian with a Master of Urban and Regional Planning, and has a long history of working with culturally specific organizations in Oregon including APANO, NAYA, Imagine Black, PCUN, Latino Network, and the Urban League of Portland.

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Wisdom Consulting

Jennifer Wisdom is a psychologist, author, consultant, and speaker. She has worked with complex health care, government, and educational environments for 25 years, including serving active duty in the U.S. military, working with non-profit service delivery programs, and as faculty in higher education. She works with nonprofit agencies, research institutions, and universities to help demystify the grant proposal process. Recent research clients include National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, the Veterans Health Administration, and Columbia University. She has a PhD in Clinical Psychology from The George Washington University in Washington, DC, and a Master's of Public Health in Epidemiology and Biostatistics from Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, Oregon. She is an intrepid adventurer based in New York City and Portland, Oregon.

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