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Free Grants Program

The Pennsylvania Department of Aging allocates \$2,000,000 each year for grants to improve the quality of senior centers and to improve membership growth and participation. Over the past four years, 60% of the grants awarded have gone to only 20% of the counties within the Commonwealth. The PDA would like to distribute funds more evenly, but senior centers from about half of the counties never apply for funding.

The National Non-Profit Resource Center was established to help non-profit organizations who have been stuck in a Catch-22 situation: They do not have the revenue to build capacity, and they do not have the capacity to increase revenue. This is where many senior centers find themselves. What we can do for senior centers and Area Agencies on Aging from underrepresented counties is offer a free grant program that creates a strategic plan for centers, builds capacity, increases available activities and programs, increases membership growth and participation, and readies them for more aggressive grants in the future.

This free grant will fund a strategic planning process resulting in new programs and activities, new community partnerships to support those activities, and a plan for future center improvements based on strategic plan with objective, measurable results. This is a plan already reviewed by the PDA and has already been funded in past grant cycles for other centers.

Quite simply, we want to help you grow, give you the tools for future success, and will prepare the grant application for you to achieve these goals. Call us with any questions or for more details.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen A. Forbus
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