





RALPH M. PARSONS **FOUNDATION**



2025

PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP

PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP helps to strengthen small to medium-sized community-based organizations in Los Angeles County by training their leaders to: 1) plan more effective programs, 2) produce logical and compelling grant proposals, and 3) collaborate more effectively with colleague organizations. Begun in 2008 as a partnership of the Annenberg Foundation, California Community Foundation, and The Grantsmanship Center, PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP rapidly expanded to include Dwight Stuart Youth Fund, The Ralph M. Parsons Foundation and S. Mark Taper Foundation as supporters.

HOW DOES PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP WORK?

The project partners underwrite up to 90 percent of the tuition for eligible nonprofit staff or Board members to attend The Grantsmanship Center's 5-day Grantsmanship Training Program. This very interactive training uses the Center's Listen & Discuss, Do & Review curriculum where participants gain skills and increase knowledge in program planning, proposal writing, finding appropriate funders, working with funders as partners, and reviewing proposals as funders do. The last day of PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP includes a Meet-the-Grantmakers Q&A with foundation representatives.

WHO MAY ATTEND?

Board members or paid staff of organizations based in and serving Los Angeles County with IRS 501(c)(3) public charity status and annual budgets at or below \$14.5 million are eligible. Each unique nonprofit organization may send up to two participants over the lifetime of PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP. Sorry, volunteers and independent consultants are not eligible.

WHAT'S THE COST?

PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP charges only \$200 or \$300 per person, depending on their organization's budget. Paid registration includes tuition, the textbook, Grantsmanship: Program Planning and Proposal Writing, and six months of Alumni Membership benefits. The standard fee for this package is \$1,240 per person (\$1,195 tuition and \$45 textbook + S&H).

Participants who fully engage in the training are eligible to receive a 50% rebate of their fee after they complete follow-up requirements which include submitting a draft proposal for review and completing an online survey six months after class.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS?

Because of the comprehensive nature of this training with many segments building upon one another, as well as the team approach used for a major project, each participant must commit to attend all scheduled online sessions and fully participate in all class assignments. Sorry, participants cannot designate a substitute person for any part of the training.

HOW TO APPLY

Complete and submit this application form along with required documentation. (See page 4 for details.) Only complete applications can be accepted. As soon as your application is approved, you can then submit payment of \$200 or \$300 to reserve your seat. For questions, please contact Ashley Wright, PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP Coordinator, at applications@tgci.com.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

• March 3-7, 2025		Morning online event	Between online events	Afternoon online event	Between online events
• June 2-6, 2025	Mon	9-11am	Exercises, reading & break	1-3pm	Exercises, reading & break
Training is delivered virtually.	Tue	9-11am	Exercises, reading & break	1-3pm	Exercises, reading & break
	Wed	9-11am	Exercises, reading & break	1-3pm	Exercises, reading & break
	Thu	9-11am	Group Work	Group Work	Group Work
	Fri	Group Work	Group Work	1-4:15pm (Class & Funder Panel)	

IMPORTANT: Please plan to dedicate a full week for this class. In addition to the scheduled online events, participants will also work on projects and exercises during the breaks between the online sessions. Approximate total class time is 37 hours.











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PLEASE NOTE: You're officially enrolled in this training only after you have: 1) submitted all required information, 2) submitted payment, and 3) received a confirmation email from The Grantsmanship Center.

APPLICATION FORM

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How long have you work	ked in the nonprofi	t field?		
☐ Less than a year	☐ 1-5 years	☐ 6-10 years	\square 11 or more	years
How long have you work	ked for your organi	zation?		
☐ Less than a year			\square 11 or more	years
How long have you beer	involved in gettin	g grants?		
☐ Less than a year	,		\square 6-10 years \square 11 or more years	
Have you ever been the	only or lead writer	for a grant proposa	al?	
□ No □ Yes If 'yes	s,' about how man	y grant proposals ha	ave you've written?	
Have you ever been the	only or lead writer	for an LOI (Letter o	of Intent or Interest)	?
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Location of the people you serve:		
Number of paid employees in your organization	, including yourself: Num	nber of people served annually:
Select <i>one category</i> below which <i>best</i> describes ☐ Arts, Culture, Humanities ☐ Environmen ☐ Social Services (such as criminal justice, yout	t, Conservation Health Care	☐ Education ng, domestic violence)
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	Individuals or Groups Served by Your Organization	Categories with which You Identify yourself (optional)
Economically disadvantaged		
Youth in foster care system		
Older adults		
Women		
LGBTQ+		
Unhoused		
Migrants		
Immigrants/Asylum seekers/Refugees		
English language learners		
Individuals with disabilities		
African descent/Black/African-American		
Asian/Asian-American		
European descent/White/Caucasian		
Hispanic/Latino		
Indigenous/Native American or Alaska Native		
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander		
Middle Eastern		
Other (please describe)		
Please estimate the percentage of individuals so equitable treatment:%	erved by your organization who are	members of group(s) who have been denied

MORE ABOUT PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP

TUITION

Select one:	\square \$200 per person - fee for organizations with current, annual budgets less than \$750,000
	□ \$300 per person - fee for organizations with current, annual budgets between \$750,000 and \$14.5 million

TRAINING DATES

Please double-check your calendar for schedule conflicts to ensure full commitment for the entire week.

☐ March 3-7, 2025 ☐ June 2-6, 2025

YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING

- This completed PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP Application Form
- Most recent Form 990, Form 990-N (submission confirmation), or copy of your organization's current annual operating budget as approved by the board
- Confirmation that your organization is listed on GuideStar's database (GuideStar)

Once approved, we'll email you instructions to complete your registration and make payment online with a credit card, PayPal, or via check. If you mail a check, please remember that enrollment is only confirmed after payment is received.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

By Email: applications@tgci.com

By USPS: PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP c/o The Grantsmanship Center 305 South Bixel St., Suite 110 Los Angeles, CA 90017

QUESTIONS? Please email Ashley Wright at ashley@tgci.com or applications@tgci.com.

Class size is limited to 24 participants per training program. Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis. To withdraw and receive a refund, you must notify PROJECT GRANTSMANSHIP at least three weeks prior to the start of the training program. In an emergency, you may designate another eligible person to attend in your place prior to the start of training program. Please contact us if you have questions.