

Wicked Problem-Solving Rounds – Peer Problems Identified

Political Interferences

What are you currently planning/do you have in the works to sustain your TCI work?

- Diversify / identify new sources of income – be creative!
- Match with what people normally pay for
- Link to fees (e.g. SUD funding from septic tank installation)
- Connect sust. convos. with community in focus (will necessarily be connected to the work)
- Supplemental funding
- Project pipeline
- Convening funders
- Grant writer
- Sustainability plan
- Longer-term funding
- Funding beyond current projects
- Projects with the same documentation requirements
- Systematically assessing funding opportunities
- Leveraging one project/round to build capacity for the future (or leverage capacity from the past)
- Group grant writing (leveraging diverse backgrounds)
- Bundle / develop a capital stack (combined resources)
- Leverage stories / shared stories

What questions do you have for each other? What barriers do you need help solving?

- Different funders for different strategies (arms of the monster)
- Be transparent about funding limitations with partners (so partners don't fall off your fiscal cliff)
- RFPs and related deliverables – it's a lot
- Note your resident advisory in the proposal and consider what funding is community partner-friendly
- Non-grant funding, revenues, fees, memberships, etc.
- Zero-based support (no money required in gov. budget – get *them* to ask for money)
- Go to your bank, ask which trusts they oversee – see if they're administrating / sitting on stagnant trusts (it's public record)
- Find partners who know how 'the system' works
- What goes into a Sustainability Plan? (Reach out to Pontiac for template; Reach out to experienced grant writers, like Jackie's colleague here at the conference shudson@publichealthwm.org)
- Coordinate with partner fundraisers (manage overlap / niches)
- Invest in communications (may help with both funders and partners from the community of focus) – we asked, you said...
- There's about to be more competition for the same resources
- May be fewer workers in this space to do the work / work may be dropped
- Likely will just be less money available
- What would it look like to partner with a competitor
- Policy – get in there and change it to make the work more sustainable
- Faith based resources – partner to implement their mission; special offering
- Prioritize
- Big pots of money, e.g.: opioid settlement funds – get access (county/city/state). It's big and growing