THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE INVITES YOU TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN OUR Nonprofit Commonwealth Forums for Women Executive Directors and CEOs

As a business leader, you know the value of building lasting connections, learning from and supporting peers, and challenging yourself to continually grow as a leader. The Commonwealth Institute offers women an opportunity to do this and more through membership, forums, programs and events.

What is the forum?

The forum will give you a chance to discuss the challenges you face as the key decision maker in your organization. This is a difficult time for nonprofits. The Commonwealth Forum creates a safe and confidential, non-competitive environment where you can discuss pressing issues with peers and get the support and guidance you need to move your organization forward. Experts in different aspects of nonprofits will be invited to select sessions to enrich your learning.

The forum will be professionally facilitated by Ann Lindsey, a Commonwealth Institute trusted CEO forum leader and an expert in leadership and team development. The group will meet once a month for half-day sessions at the law firm of Sherin and Lodgen LLP on Federal Street in downtown Boston. Since peer learning is an important component of every forum, we ask all participants to commit for one year. The cost is $1,800 and can be paid on a quarterly basis.

Discussions include such areas as:

- Developing strategies for innovative fundraising and development
- Improving communication to build a more effective board
- Sharing solutions for successful problem solving
- Achieving your mission when the budget is tight

If you are a Nonprofit Executive Director or CEO seeking access to resources and connections, in need of a confidential, supportive advisory board and a safe, interactive environment to discuss your critical issues, this Commonwealth Forum is for you.
Requirements for Membership in the Nonprofit Commonwealth Forum

- Woman Executive Director, CEO or key decision maker in established (minimum three years in operation) nonprofit organization
- Minimum one year commitment to the Forum (Forum is ongoing)
- Passion for growth and learning
- To maximize the effectiveness and composition of the Forum, each member is required to complete an application and phone interview with the Membership Director

Cost and Additional Benefits

- The forum is $1,800 per year, and can be paid in quarterly installments
- The cost includes a general membership in TCI (value $395), granting you free access to our Educational Seminar Series, invitation to members-only events and programs, and discounts to attend Special Programs and Signature Events
- You will receive ongoing access to your forum leader and larger TCI membership community

About the Forum Leader

Ann Lindsey is an organizational effectiveness consultant; she specializes in leadership development, executive team facilitation, executive coaching, women in management, and team development. Ann has more than thirty years of experience working in private and public sector organizations. Ann brings to clients her remarkably fine-tuned intuition about people, systems, and events. Ann is a gifted, passionate teacher and lecturer. She has taught a great many managers how to understand and be effective in difficult organizational environments. Ann was a Professor of Management at Simmons College Graduate School of Management from 1982 until 2000.

About TCI

The Commonwealth Institute (TCI) is a non-profit organization devoted to advancing businesswomen in leadership positions in Massachusetts and Florida. We are ambitious, success-oriented women committed to growing our respective organizations and to supporting each other as we accomplish our individual goals. In short, TCI helps women business leaders become and remain successful.

Join Now

For more information about applying to join this Commonwealth Forum, please contact Lizzie Dunklee, Director of Membership and Marketing at The Commonwealth Institute ldunklee@commonwealthinstitute.org or 617-888-6101.

“The TCI forum has provided me and my organization with great value and proven to be an exceptional resource. Meeting monthly with other non-profit Executive Directors not only contributes to my professional growth as a leader, but has also given me a network of accomplished and knowledgeable colleagues to tap for support and expertise.”

Linda Noonan
Executive Director
Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education

“Leadership is the challenge to be far more than average. My TCI Forum group helps me meet challenges. I recommend the experience to all of you!”

Sylvia Ferrell-Jones
President/CEO
YWCA Boston