



STL Development Affinity Group Meeting
 Date January 16, 2020

Meeting Minutes

Members Attending	Members Absent
Chris Munoz—Our Little Haven Mary Jo O’Connell--- Birthright Carrie Boser-- Birthright Susan Robben St. Louis Ovarian Cancer Awareness Jennifer March Lifewise (formerly Kingdom House) Bev Rombach Independent Consultant Jan Wacker Boys Hope Girls Hope St. Louis	

Topic	Grants, foundations, relationships
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed ways to research foundations. Chris shared information on the Foundation Search Engine that can be paid for by the month. • Discussed the utilization of Interns to do research. Interns can be free and gotten from local college programs, SLU WASHU, UMSL etc. Additionally, BHGHSTL has had good luck with interns from STL YOUTH. They are well trained etc. • We discussed the reduction in funding that has been noted from Stupp foundation. • Discussed the United Way changes and the upcoming informational meeting scheduled for 1/29/20 Rome Group is presenting the United Way Community Investment Launch. For information reach out to: GrantSupport@stl.unitedway.org. • Discussed the need for relations to make any grant work. Board members and major donors often have the connection to open the door. • Please fee free to contact any of the organizations represented in our group to ask about a grant list that they are currently working from.

Topic	Matching Gifts
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefly touched on matching gift programs. Chris at Our Little Haven set up a link for all line donors to click directly to various matching programs that allows donor to immediately complete the process. Visit their website and “borrow” if you like. •

Other Notes & Discussions:

Next Meeting **April 9, 2020 Place to be determined**

Next Meeting Agenda Item(s) **Agenda topic: Events**