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Do you support effective charities? You can. Use 2020 Nonprofit Analytics from <u>analytics.excellenceingiving.com</u> to assess the percentage of our 40 Performance Standards a charity meets. **Bold Green Titles** below correspond to Nonprofit Analytics fields.



LEADERSHIP

Independence. Nonprofit CEO is neither Board Chair nor has Board Vote Performance Reviews. Annual CEO and Staff Evaluations are practiced Bottleneck. CEO Direct Reports are less than 10 people



Significance?

Lower = Higher risk of mission failure

Turnover. Staff Turnover Rate last year is under 25% (if staff exceeds 10)

Board Policy. Board Size is 5+ independent members with 2+ Annual Meetings, 2+ Committees, and Term Limits Board Composition. Board Gender includes men and women with no Board Members related to the CEO Integrity. Leadership honestly presents 2 or more Weaknesses in the SWOT Analysis besides needing more money



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Deficits. Cumulative **SURPLUS** is greater than cumulative **DEFICIT** for last 4 years Debt Burden. **Total Current Debt** is less than 30% of annual non-GIK **Total Income**

Liquidity. 3-6 months of Cash & Equivalents on Hand are maintained

Reserves. Reserve Coverage exceeds 50% so assets could be liquidated to fund 50% of a year's operations Endowment. Endowment Fund is less than 5 times last year's Program Services + Administrative Expenses Controls. Written Financial Controls limit spending and account for all expenses Audits. Performs annual Independent Financial Audits (if budget exceeds \$2 million)



LEVERAGE

Overhead. Program Services Expenses has higher 3-year growth rate than Administrative Expenses*
Leverage. # of Clients Served has higher 3-year growth rate than Paid Staff and Annual Income*
Economy of Scale. Cost-per-Client Served has decreased in last 3 years: divide Annual Expenses by Clients Served*
Volunteer Ratio. Lowers expenses through use of more Volunteers than Paid Staff
Partnership. Collaborates with multiple Strategic Partners
Fundraising Efficiency. Cost to Raise \$1 is \$0.15 or less



STRATEGY

Accountability. 1-3 Year Plan has measurable goals with specific deadlines
Feasibility. 1-3 Year Plan is realistic based on previous Results and Growth Trends**
Strategic Plan. Up-to-date Board-approved Strategic Plan guides leadership decisions
Organizational Learning. The organization Cut (or Modified) a Program in the last 3 years for bad results
Program Improvements. Recent Program Improvement is a specific and significant upgrade**
Growth Opportunity. Opportunities in the SWOT Analysis are concrete rather than vague or generic**
Locations. Geography of multiple locations is clustered regionally for effective oversight**



IMPACT

Dosage. Length of Primary Client Relationships is enough time to solve The Problem**
Benchmarking. Measures outcomes against benchmarks with 1+ benchmark cited in Results section
Evaluation. Completed independent impact evaluation of program outcomes
KPIs. Staff tracks Key Performance Indicators on internal scorecard
Beneficiary Voice. Surveys beneficiaries about program quality and impact
Big Picture. Scope of the Long-term Vision is realistic and measurable**
Outcomes. Results include lasting improvement from baselines, not just annual activities and one-time events



FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

Donor Concentration. Reliance on Largest Gift is 15% or less of Total Income

Income Growth. Annual Income has increased during the last 3 years

Retention. Donor Retention Rate exceeds the industry average of 47% for \$10+ million charities and 55% for the rest **Acquisition.** # of annual **Donors** has increased during the last 3 years

Self-Sustainability. Earned Revenue has grown enough in the past 3 years to increase the Self-sustainability % Board Contributions. Donation % from Board is 1% or more of annual Cash Donations

- * This standard only applies to nonprofits with budgets larger than \$500,000 or more than 5 years old.
- ** Some standards require a judgment call. Nonprofit evaluation is both an art and a science.
- <-- Use drop-down "Total" menu to the left to select the number of standards with information to evaluate.

