Come learn about the newly launched **Capacity Commons** – a one-stop shop for all your skills-based volunteering needs. This new online platform provides social sector organizations with the information, tools and network needed to 1) understand how pro bono resources can best support them, 2) obtain skilled volunteer support, and 3) maximize and measure the immediate and long-term impact of pro bono engagement.

In this educational session, you’ll be provided with an introduction to skills-based volunteerism, a live guided tour of the platform, and a series of facilitated exercises that get you started on your pro bono journey. We invite nonprofits of all kinds to join us to understand how to utilize skills-based volunteers to strengthen your operations - whether you are just beginning to explore pro bono or ready to connect with experts.

This session is presented by Common Impact, the creator of Capacity Commons and a national leader in skills-based volunteerism and nonprofit capacity-building.

**Facilitator: Molly Weinstein**

Molly Weinstein leads Common Impact’s Field Building department, which builds out new models and services that accelerate Common Impact’s ability to support communities through strategic skills-based volunteerism. Molly pilots initiatives that direct corporate talent toward focused areas of community need, such as disaster preparedness and the
Molly brings to her role extensive experience in skills-based volunteering program design and management. Prior to assuming her current role, she worked as a Consultant at Common Impact to create, run, and scale pro bono programs that have collectively delivered over 400 capacity-building projects to nonprofits, generating upwards of $3.5 million dollars in value for social sector agencies. Molly has presented on corporate social responsibility strategy and trends at a number of industry conferences including CR Magazine’s Commit Forum, the Points of Light Conference, VolunteerMatch Summit, and the Massachusetts Conference on Volunteerism.

Register Now!

Welcoming, Engaging and Supporting Volunteers with Diverse Abilities

Thursday December 12
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
New England Villages
664 School Street, Pembroke MA 02359

Cost: $15

This session will provide you with the tools needed to welcome, engage and support volunteers with diverse abilities to successfully participate in your program. Start with basic disability etiquette and introduction to diverse abilities. Explore best practices for the intake process, working with group homes/support providers & communication strategies that are found effective in creating or enhancing a culture of inclusion. Finish the session with a review of suggested inclusion strategies & tools that you’ll find are beneficial to ALL volunteers. Work in small groups to solve "inclusion scenarios" by using the learned skills.

Facilitator: Lisa Drennan
Lisa has a 35-year career supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to be active and engaged within their community. At New England Village in Pembroke, MA, she gained experience in working as a Direct Support Worker and eventually as the Director of The Sollar Wellness Center specifically designed for this population.

In 2014, she joined the South Shore YMCA as the first-ever Association Director of Inclusion, creating innovative programs and comprehensive staff trainings to build a culture of inclusion. In 2018 Lisa started her own company, MERGE Inclusion Consulting where she provides comprehensive consultation, staff training and systems implementation to community entities committed to recreation, sport and social program inclusion.

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Service Enterprise Informational Sessions

**Dates and locations: Ongoing!**

**Cost: FREE!**

We are looking for organizations to join our 2020-2021 Service Enterprise Cohorts! Service Enterprise is a transformational training program that enhances an organization’s ability to manage volunteers and advance their mission. This nationally recognized certification is the gold standard in volunteer management, and is proven to increase efficiency and programming across all levels of your organization.

**Learn more about Service Enterprise by visiting our website!**

We currently have Service Enterprise Info Sessions scheduled in the MetroWest and Southcoast regions!

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**United Way of Greater New Bedford**

**Where**
United Way of Greater New Bedford
128 Union Street #105, New Bedford
MA 02740

**When**
Thursday November 7th

**Time**
10:00am-12:00pm

[REGISTER HERE]

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**United Way of Greater Plymouth County**

**Where**
Catholic Charities
169 Court Street, Brockton MA 02302

**When**
Thursday December 12th

**Time**
9:00am-10:00am

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**MetroWest Nonprofit Network**

**Where**
MetroWest Health Foundation
161 Worcester Road, Framingham MA 01701

**When**
Thursday November 14th

**Time**
10:00am-12:00pm

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**Go-To Webinar**

Can’t make it to one of our in-person info sessions? Come join our Online Webinar on October 15th from 10:00am-11:00am!

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