

Professional Developmental for Volunteer Engagement Professionals

- ▶ Find a mentor
 - Could be local or on-line, formal or in-formal (GRAVA offers a Peer Mentoring as well as it's an ALIVE membership benefit)
- ▶ Join your local AVA – GRAVA!
 - Greater Richmond Association for Volunteer Administration (greaterrichmondava.com)
- ▶ Join On-line Communities
 - ALIVE - Association of Leaders in Volunteer Engagement (volunteeralive.org) – well worth the \$50 membership!
 - VolunteerPro with Tobi Johnson (volpro.net) – FB group is “VolunteerPro Insiders”
 - Facebook & LinkedIn – just type in “Volunteer” and multiple options (globally) will appear!
- ▶ Stay current (Articles – Blogs (** guest blogs) – Newsletters – Podcasts – Resources – Webinars*)
 - Community Foundation Connect VA (learningcenter-connectva.talentlms.com)*
 - Engage (engagejournal.org)
 - Energize, Inc. Monthly Hot Topics (energizeinc.com)
 - Rob Jackson Consulting, Ltd. (robjacksonconsulting.com)
 - Sterling Volunteers – formerly Verified Volunteers (sterlingvolunteers.com) *
 - Time & Talent podcast hosted by Jennifer Bennett & Tobi Johnson (timeandtalentpod.com)
 - Track it Forward (trackitforward.com)
 - Twenty Hats with Elisa Kosarin (twentyhats.com) **
 - Volunteer Commons (volunteercommons.com)
 - Volunteer Fairfax (volunteerfairfax.org) *
 - Volunteer Hub (volunteerhub.com)
 - VolunteerMatch (volunteermatch.org) *
 - Volunteer Now & Texas Volunteer Management Conference (TVMC) (volnow.org) *
 - Volunteer Plain Talk with Meridian Swift (volunteerplaintalk.com)
 - VolunteerPro with Tobi Johnson (volpro.net) *
 - Volunteer Success (volunteersuccess.com) **
 - VQ Volunteer Strategies with Beth Steinhorn (vqstrategies.com) *
 - Wild Apricot (wildapricot.com) *
- ▶ Attend Trainings & Conferences
 - Emerging Nonprofit Leaders Program – Community Foundation/ConnectVA (ConnectVA.org)
 - GRAVA Conference (1 day) – held in July
 - Points of Light Conference (multi-day) – held in June, national so moves locations every year
 - Virginia Volunteerism & Service Conference (multi-day) – held in May
 - Volunteer Management Training Series – HandsOn Greater Richmond (handsonva.org/vmts)
- ▶ Strive for Certification
 - Certification in Nonprofit Management (various schools)
 - Certification in Volunteer Administration (CVA) from CCVA (cvacert.org)
 - Great FB study group is VMPC Members Certification Page
 - University of Texas Volunteer & Community Resource Management (hts.unt.edu/volunteer-and-community-resource-management-certificate)