

**The Frank H. & Eva B. Buck Foundation and The Solano
Community Foundation Nonprofit Leadership Conference
October 14 and 15, 2010
The Buck Mansion, Vacaville, CA**

Using a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 is very poor and 10 is excellent, the Executive Directors and senior nonprofit leaders rated the overall conference a 9.0 .

96% of the senior nonprofit leaders who participated stated they would recommend this conference to other nonprofit leaders. The other 4 % said they would possibly recommend this conference depending on the director, their role and level of experience.

Qualitative Feedback from the senior nonprofit leaders:

Thank you Tony for helping me find my passion!
Forty years of not knowing and to *finally* have an “ah ha” moment!

Pam, Smartt, Connections for Life

This conference has dramatically broadened and encouraged my plans for my nonprofit enterprise... Thank you. A life-changing experience.

Art Shields, Lifesavers World Inc.

This conference has absolutely influenced my philosophy of leadership. It reminded me of what I've known in the past but had lost site of. I feel empowered to do a better job....I value and appreciate Tony's direct way of communication. His honesty encouraged me to let down my guard with our employees and build better trust.

Edie Thomas, Connections For Life

This conference influenced my outlook on how long I see myself continuing as a nonprofit director. I came here on the verge of burn-out/apathy. Now I'm eager to return to work and start working differently by implementing ideas learned here....

I would definitely recommend this conference to other nonprofit directors. I got more from these two days than all the other workshops/conferences I've ever attended (all put together).

Stephanie Wolf, Solano Community Foundation

This conference met my needs and exceeded my expectations. I cannot recall when another conference has addressed my needs/interests so well and provided so many inspiring and practical ideas.

Michi Gates, North Bay Regional Center

This conference influenced my outlook on how long I see myself continuing as a nonprofit director. I plan to stick it out and to pursue becoming a great leader... I would recommend this to other nonprofit directors without question. Great Content!

Rod Malloy, Mission Solano

This conference has tremendously influenced my philosophy of leadership. I will approach problems and “problem people” differently. I won’t put myself on such a tight timeline; it makes me frantic and it shows, which is not good....This conference certainly helped me with fundraising and marketing ideas. It will help me fully develop my next budget.

Paula Ramsey, Friends of Oakland Parks and Recreation

Two of the most important leadership lessons I learned from this conference were to listen more and speak less and to encourage more personal accountability from staff members. I can do this by helping them to create personal goals and action plans.....You all (this conference) filled my soul with the passion that I had pushed deep within while dealing with “admin”....Thank you!! I am inspired. Looking forward to getting email materials and rolling out new initiatives with staff and board.

Debbi Davis, Children’s Nurturing Project

The conference helped give me some much needed perspective on my role as the ED. It has reinforced the concept of taking care of myself in order to better balance the needs of my clients, board, staff, and volunteers....I thought it was well organized. I like the schedule and the various forms of meetings i.e. large and small group sessions....I would absolutely recommend this conference to other nonprofit directors. It’s a great guide for how to lead your organization more effectively.

Pam Morton, Drawbridge

In my experience, this was one of the few workshops that was informative and executive director friendly.

Cynthia Phillips, 2 B Successful Youth Inc.

Attitude is key when delivering and the CSL team embodies the right one.

Dayton Hughes, DHC/ Developing Human Capital LLC

Some of the most important lessons I took from this conference were around fundraising, leadership style and strategic planning. I left with great tips on how to effectively fundraise. I enjoyed the different examples of effective leadership and how to inspire with passion, be open with empathy, and develop trust. I appreciated the session on how to conduct simple, clear, strategic organization plans.

Jonathon Berkey, Global Education Partnership

I would recommend this conference to other nonprofit directors. It renews your passion!

Kay Bosick, Youth and Family Services

The most important pieces that I believe I got from this conference were *tools*. In our small organization I am generally creating my own tools and trying to pass on information to others. The tools provided have helped me to have not just ideas of what goals to go back with, but tools to implement and examples to share with others....This conference was a good match for what I needed now. It was rejuvenating and a time for refocusing what had become a scattered vision.

Bobbi Gore, Park County Senior Coalition

I would definitely recommend this conference to other nonprofit directors. This is real world information and speaks directly to the nonprofit arena.

Laurie Andres, Children's Nurturing Project