

After Your Town Hall Meeting(s)

One of the most important elements of ensuring successful Town Halls and an equally successful 2009 Nonprofit Congress is to retain information gathered at the Town Halls and share new ideas or resources with others across the country.

Your final Town Hall report should include:

- A completed **Town Hall Summary** (See sample on last page of toolkit and examples of last year's results at www.nonprofitcongress.org/townhalls) emailed to eclawson@ncna.org.
- All copies of **evaluations** faxed to 202.962.0321 or mailed to 1101 Vermont Ave, NW, Suite 1002 Washington, DC 20005;
- Roster of attendees (please include e-mail addresses for anyone wishing to receive updates from the Nonprofit Congress).

Thank you for hosting a Town Hall meeting! Please contact us with any questions or feedback on this toolkit or the Town Hall process: Elizabeth Clawson, eclawson@ncna.org, 202.962.0322.

Nonprofit Congress Town Hall Meetings: Utah

Meeting Details

- Host: Utah Nonprofits Association
- Dates: October 25, 2007, and March 4, 2008
- Location: Salt Lake City
- Attendees: 15

First Roundtable: What we're doing to advance the Top Priorities

Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness:

- Arts and cultural interactive statewide website (nowplayingutah.com)
- Shedding the idea of nonprofit competition
- Nonprofit academy through University of Utah

Advocacy & Grassroots Community Activities

- Utah Arts Council—statewide Town Halls
- Community events and calendars on radio stations and websites
- Training to correct misunderstandings regarding lobbying

Public Awareness:

- Volunteer corner in the *Tribune*

Second Roundtable: How our nonprofits are currently collaborating with each other

Elements of success in collaboration:

- Awareness of opportunities, other organizations to collaborate with
- Lack of fear over loss of funding
- Partner with other agencies without threat
- Communication; raising the level of trust
- Someone to start the process
- Examples, case stories, inspirational stories

Third Roundtable: What we need from our state association and the National Council of Nonprofits

State

- Agencies Coming Together (ACT) group meetings
- Develop incentives to partner
- Collaborate with government to achieve government objectives
- Corporate partnerships—"corporate citizenship"

National

- Helpful if the federal government could have examples of best practices
- Nonprofits carrying the load the government can't handle—need support for federal level
- Incentives from funders—increase funding when organizations collaborate
- Loan forgiveness for students who work in sector