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### **Commit to Diversity**

An organization's commitment to diversity and inclusion starts with its leadership. If your organization is ready to put policies and practices in place that will ensure diversity throughout all of its levels, a board meeting is the right place to endorse that commitment. American Humanics has drafted a *Diversity and Inclusion Compact* to help nonprofits prioritize and provide resources for their own initiative. Take this document to your board meeting and open the discussion.

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### **BoardSource Leadership Forum**

#### **Informative Presessions You Don't Want to Miss**

##### **Purposeful Boards, Powerful Fundraising**

This practical session begins with a close look at board recruitment, structure, operations, and culture. It then focuses on how to involve board members in effective fundraising. To maximize the benefit of this session, staff members should be accompanied by at least one board member and preferably more.

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##### **Are We There Yet? Being Results-Oriented through Measuring Advancement toward Mission**

Providing oversight without micromanaging is a critical role of every board, and there is now an increased need for accurate quantitative and qualitative data to demonstrate a nonprofit's success. Assessment is fundamental to improving any nonprofit and to soliciting and justifying funding, especially as accountability practices and standards grow more sophisticated.

New user-friendly tools, such as dashboards, can provide boards with clear displays of performance measures to drill down into a more detailed, refined understanding of organizational and program effectiveness. This training will focus on the information that a board needs and appropriate engagement to meet and set goals.

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#### **New Session Just Added**

##### **How to Use the Three Laws of Performance to Produce Extraordinary Results**

Insightful and inspirational, this discussion will encourage you to reconsider how you approach challenges, the language you use, and your expectations about your role and the role of others as you work to transform your organization.

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### Short Survey For Nonprofit Board Members of Color

#### Vital Voices: Lessons Learned from Board Members of Color

As part of our mission to build exceptional nonprofit boards and inspire board service, BoardSource is interested in learning more about the perspectives and experiences of board members of color. If you are a person of color on the board of a nonprofit organization, we would be grateful if you would take our 10-minute survey.

[Go to the Survey](#)

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