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### SAGA Sponsors Community Foundation's Workshop for Nonprofits



**Kill Devil Hills, NC, March 7, 2014** — SAGA and the Outer Banks Community Foundation have partnered to present a free workshop for all Outer Banks nonprofits. The workshop will be held on Tuesday, March 18 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Kill Devil Hills.

“SAGA’s generous support of this workshop has allowed us to offer this training free of charge to all of our local nonprofits,” said Lorelei Costa, Executive Director of the Community Foundation.

“We are thrilled to partner with the Outer Banks Community Foundation to build the capacity and strength of our local, vibrant nonprofit sector,” said Sumit Gupta, CEO of SAGA Construction & Development.

Entitled “The Making of an Effective Nonprofit,” the workshop will be led by Trisha Lester, Vice President of the Center for Nonprofits. Ms. Lester will talk about best practices and organizational issues common to all nonprofits: planning, governance, financial management, fundraising, technology, risk evaluation, public policy, accountability, and much more.

The workshop will conclude with an overview of the Community Foundation’s grants program. Ms. Costa will describe the foundation’s criteria, answer all questions, and offer essential tips for submitting a successful proposal. The Community Foundation’s next grant application deadline is Friday, May 2.

Robert Schiffer from SAGA Community Outreach will present valuable information about that company's new philanthropic program.

Thanks to SAGA's support, the workshop is free for any board or staff member representing an Outer Banks 501(c) 3 nonprofit. However, advance registration is required by March 11, 2014. Nonprofits can register online at the Community Foundation's new website: [www.obcf.org](http://www.obcf.org).

Other workshop sponsors include the Ramada Plaza Hotel, which is donating the meeting space and the breakfast, and the First Colony Inn, which is donating lodging for the workshop instructor.

For more information and to register for free, visit the Community Foundation's new website: [www.obcf.org](http://www.obcf.org).

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Photo Caption: Sumit Gupta, CEO of SAGA Construction & Development, presents a sponsorship check to Lorelei Costa, Executive Director of the Outer Banks Community Foundation, in support of the foundation's free workshop for local nonprofits.