

# GROW

A program of the  
NORTH GEORGIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

## 2025 Schedule

**Lunch & Learn** 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**\$25**

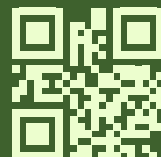
- 1/23/25** **Facts About Donor-Advised Funds That Nonprofits Should Know**  
*Signature FD-Elizabeth Burdette, JD, CAP, Philanthropic Advisor & Wade Hill, CFA, CFP, Partner, Wealth Advisor*
- 2/20/25** **Storytelling for Fundraising & Grant Writing**  
*Cathy Drerup, Nonprofit Consultant*
- 3/20/25** **Increasing Revenue for Nonprofits Through Government Grants & Contracts**  
*Government Contractors Association- Abraham Xiong, National President*
- 4/24/25** **Donor Segmentation & Targeting-Why it Matters in Fundraising**  
*Erik Speakman, Nonprofit Fixers*
- 5/29/25** **Start a Planned Giving Program-With No Staff & No Budget**  
*Scott Sikes, Columns Fundraising*
- 6/26/25** **Marketing Plans: What Are They and Where do you Start?**  
*Toni Dixon, Nonprofit Today*
- 7/17/25** **NGCF Grants Teams Presents on Community Grant App**  
*NGCF Grants Team*
- 8/21/25** **Why Nonprofit Collabs & Partnerships Are Important**  
*Erik Speakman, Nonprofit Fixers*
- 9/25/25** **Social Media: What are the Best Platforms to Invest Your Time & Resources**  
*Toni Dixon, Nonprofit Today*
- 10/23/25** **Writing Your Fundraising Plan to Prepare for Next Year**  
*Scott Sikes, Columns Fundraising*
- 11/13/25** **\*What Does NGCF Do & How Do They Help Nonprofits**  
*Michelle Prater, President & CEO, Margaux Dolenc, VP Nonprofit Engagement*

**\*FREE EVENT!**

**Deeper Dive** 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**\$125**

- 2/27/25** **Grant Writing Workshop for the Beginner Grant Writer**  
*Lainey Buffington, Grant Writer*
- 3/27/25** **Grant Writing Workshop for the Advanced Grant Writer**  
*Lainey Buffington, Grant Writer*
- 5/14/25** **Strategic Generosity Blueprint**  
*Signature FD-Elizabeth Burdette, JD, CAP, Philanthropic Advisor*
- 9/12/25** **Prospective Donor Cultivation & Solicitation Role Play**  
*Columns Fundraising*



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**NGCF Community Room** 340 Jesse Jewell Parkway SE, Suite 600 | Gainesville, Georgia, 30501