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## Is Your Nonprofit Grant Ready?

The Center for Community Engagement at St. John Fisher College has many resources for Nonprofits. One of them is its email newsletter. Their most recent newsletter identified what you need to do and have to be "Grant ready".

## They include:

- ✓ your IRS exempt letter confirming charitable status,
- ✓ current financial statements (preferably audited)
- ✓ board information
- ✓ funder and key donor information
- ✓ information about your history and key accomplishments as well as your mission statement
- ✓ financial information about the program you are requesting funds for
- ✓ key staff resumes, and brochures, articles testimonials and similar items.

It would be wise to maintain all of these items in an electronic file

The newsletter goes on to explain that it is important to have board leadership buy in, including 100% support at some level.