



GET THE MOST OF YOUR MEMBER BENEFITS

We're proud to offer a robust array of benefits ranging from advocacy services that advance your policy priorities to opportunities for boosting organizational capacity.



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ADVANCING EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY NONPROFITS

We understand that membership with The Alliance is an investment for your organization. We take it seriously and we won't stop looking for new ways to assist and support you.

Your membership applies to everybody on your staff. Please share this information broadly to ensure you get the most – individually and organizationally – from your membership.



WHO WE ARE

THE CT COMMUNITY NONPROFIT ALLIANCE

We are the statewide association of community nonprofits in Connecticut. Our mission is to advance excellence in community-based nonprofits through advocacy and capacity building.

We share the passion and purpose behind each and every nonprofit's mission and channel that purpose into a powerful, collective voice. The Alliance leads from a position of strength, representing nonprofits while presenting a united front before the Connecticut state legislature, state and federal agencies, the public and the media.

We advance strategies and public policies that make it possible for nonprofits to thrive as they continue to fulfill their missions.

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PUBLIC POLICY & ADVOCACY

The Alliance is the Collective Voice of Community Nonprofits

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We have the expertise and respected standing that allows policymakers — and the public — to turn to us time and again as a trusted partner representing the nonprofit sector, building important relationships that are vital to assert influence when it matters most.

The Alliance speaks collectively and forcefully, providing members with a consistent presence at the State Capitol and beyond. We advocate to protect critical funding sources and advance initiatives and public policy.

Join us for a member-only, sector-specific Division meetings to guide The Alliance's advocacy and strategy in:

- Children's Services
- Adult Behavioral Health
- Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities
- Arts and Culture
- Community Justice

- The Alliance employs an experienced team of **five registered lobbyists** and consultants who successfully advocate for the priorities of nonprofits,
- **Organizes hundreds of nonprofits and the people they serve** to attend advocacy days, press conferences, and statewide nonprofit rallies,
- Distributes **exclusive and timely budget analyses, legislative updates, fact sheets, talking points, policy research, and more.**
- Helps members advocate by **facilitating meetings and relationship building** between nonprofits and policy makers,
- **Tracks, analyzes, and exclusively distributes analysis** of hundreds of bills throughout the legislative session,
- Provides **public testimony** on bills of importance to nonprofits,
- Encourage member participation in the **Public Policy Committee** to guide the association's policy priorities and strategy

LOCAL FOCUS. NATIONAL CONNECTIONS.

Our mission extends beyond state boundaries and onto the national stage. As members of three national associations, we track national trends that have an impact on local concerns. Our policy staff are in constant contact with our members of Congress, advocating for issues important to our members.

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

For behavioral health providers, membership also includes membership to the National Council for Behavioral Health (NCBH), a national, nonprofit association advocating to advance federal mental health and substance abuse policy.

The full spectrum of NCBH member benefits extends to all our members' staff and board members, including the opportunity to participate in an annual Behavioral Health Hill Day in Washington, DC.



AMERICAN NETWORK OF COMMUNITY OPTIONS AND RESOURCES (ANCOR)

For Intellectual/Developmental Disability providers, membership also includes membership to ANCOR, a national, nonprofit association advocating for policies that help providers of services to people with I/DD.

The full spectrum of ANCOR member benefits extends to all our members' staff and board members, including the opportunity to participate in an annual ANCOR Policy Summit in Washington, DC.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

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We're a Partner and Resource for Nonprofits



EFFECTIVE, AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE TRAININGS

Discounts available for members

We offer members an evolving array of professional development and training opportunities that are effective, affordable and accessible. Our professional development and training program is designed to keep nonprofit leaders and staff at the top of their game and working effectively for the success of their organizations. We have made our programs accessible and affordable by providing different training platforms, including onsite workshops, e-learning, focused conferences, and seminars facilitated by nationally recognized instructors.

ANNUAL NONPROFIT CONFERENCE

With more than 600 attendees, our Annual Nonprofit Conference is an exceptional experience that brings together some of the most innovative voices in the nonprofit sector. This flagship event of The Alliance is recognized each year as the statewide conference by and for community nonprofits. Conference registration is discounted for members of The Alliance.





ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS

MOST TUITION DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS, THEIR STAFF AND FAMILIES

Albertus Magnus College

15% tuition discount for Associate's, Bachelor's or eligible Master's Degrees offered through the Division of Professional and Graduate Studies.

Goodwin College

25% tuition discount in various programs for Business Administration, Human Services, Criminal Justice, Child Studies, and more.

Penn State World Campus

5% tuition discount on tuition costs when admitted to the graduate program for members, their spouses and dependents.

Post University

20% tuition discount when pursuing any certificate, graduate and undergraduate degrees online and on-campus.

Charter Oak State College

10% off tuition for all degree or certificate programs.

University of Bridgeport

10% tuition discount to Alliance members, their spouses, and dependents

Ashford University

20% tuition discount on online degrees, with waived fees for technology and course materials. Discounts offered to Alliance members, spouses, and children.



COST SAVINGS

The Alliance offers a wide variety of cost saving opportunities for nonprofits. Member organizations can save hundreds a year from their membership.

ZOOM

20% DISCOUNT FOR MEMBERS

We are excited to offer 20% off all Zoom subscriptions that are at least one year in length to assist nonprofits who are increasing use of video conferencing platforms to communicate through the COVID-19 crisis and beyond. Audio conferencing is included for toll numbers as part of standard Zoom video conferencing.

GRANTSTATION

89% DISCOUNT FOR MEMBERS

GrantStation is the premiere suite of online grant research resources. Search thousands of profiles of private, government, and international funding opportunities, in addition to using a variety of grants research, writing, and management tools and resources. Available to members for \$75 – an 89% discount off the regular price of \$699.



NONPROFIT JOB BOARD

\$30 FOR MEMBERS, \$130 FOR NON-MEMBERS

The Alliance has Connecticut's only job board exclusively for nonprofit employers and job seekers. Nonprofit employers can recruit for open positions, post your job in front of the most qualified group of nonprofit professionals in the industry, promote your jobs directly to candidates via the Job Flash email, search the resume database to find qualified candidates, and more.



ALLIANCE ALLIES VENDOR PROGRAM

Get the Services and Products Your Nonprofit Needs to be Effective

CONNECTING YOU WITH BUSINESSES THAT SPECIALIZE IN SERVING NONPROFITS

MEMBERS DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE THROUGH MANY VENDORS

The Alliance Allies Program allows nonprofits to take advantage of substantial cost savings through discounts from third-party vendors on goods and services that are vital to strengthening infrastructure and internal capabilities. Alliance Allies bring an understanding of the unique challenges nonprofits face and work closely with us to accommodate those needs for our members.

Through the Allies program, members can fulfill their missions while realizing savings to their bottom lines by taking advantage of the increased buying power that comes with being part of The Alliance.

OFFERING A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES AND PRODUCTS...

- COMMERCIAL INSURANCE
- TELECOMMUNICATIONS
- TECHNOLOGY
- EMPLOYEE BENEFITS
- FOOD AND OFFICE SUPPLIES
- AND MORE!

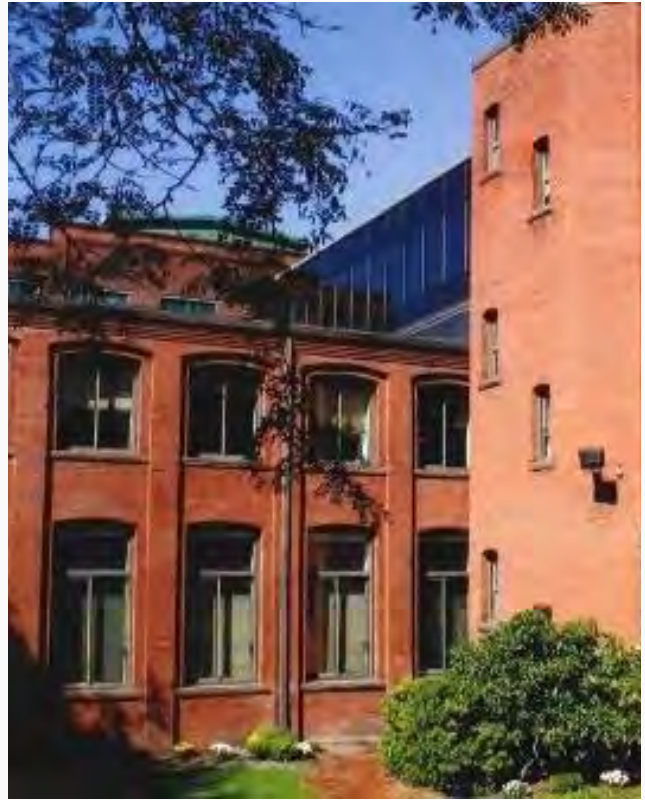


CT NONPROFIT CENTER

OFFICE AND CONFERENCE SPACE TO FIT YOUR NEEDS

The CT Nonprofit Center is home to 27 nonprofit organizations in Hartford and is the second largest nonprofit center in the northeastern United States. The Center is designed to provide opportunities for nonprofits to achieve cost savings while operating in a collaborative environment.

All Alliance members can access multiple conference rooms with state-of-the-art technology at a discounted rate. Whether you're looking for a small conference room for conducting interviews in the heart of Hartford, or looking to host a networking event or annual holiday party for up to 75, the CT Nonprofit Center has the capacity to meet your needs.



PREFERRED PURCHASING PROGRAM

FACILITATING WORK OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Over the past 30 years, the Preferred Purchasing Program has employed thousands of individuals with disabilities in Connecticut. Today, the Alliance holds more than 150 state contracts to supply state agencies with needed products and services. Through this program, people with disabilities are provided with employment, training, wages and benefits in a variety of work settings, including janitorial services, dry cleaning, temporary services, commercial laundry, landscaping, and manufacturing, among others.



EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PROGRAM

To help nonprofits combat rising costs for healthcare and employee benefits, The Alliance has partnered with The Schuster Group to create the Alliance Employee Benefits Program. This program is designed to help nonprofits save money, while offering valued benefit plans. The current portfolio includes proprietary plans specifically built for nonprofits, including:

- Health Insurance / Private Exchange
- Group Dental Insurance
- Group Life and Disability
- Discount Prescriptions
- Retirement Plans [401(k) & 403(b)]
- Telemedicine



Member-Only Benefits

PEER DEVELOPMENT & NONPROFIT NETWORKING

Grow your network by collaborating with nonprofit leaders and others through The Alliance. In addition to our regular Policy meetings and Professional Development and Training Program, we host quarterly networking events around the state, regional public policy information sessions, and an annual nonprofit conference with over 600 attendees where you and your peers can interact with each other in an informal and friendly environment.



MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Introductory Rates Available for New Members



PARTNER

Partners are non-state funded nonprofits that have full access to benefits needed to strengthen organizational capacity. They may not necessarily require advocacy services but are part of the grassroots nonprofit community, attending Lobby and Advocacy Days, collaborating with nonprofit colleagues, and by supporting legislation that benefits the entire nonprofit community in Connecticut.



CHAMPION

Champions are non-state funded nonprofits that want to take an active role in advocacy and want access to The Alliance's policy and advocacy benefits. Champions have a voice at the table, setting The Alliance's annual public policy agenda with membership in the Public Policy Committee. Champions receive all the benefits that Partners receive plus expertise and advice from The Alliance's policy team and registered lobbyists, legislative consulting, as well as exclusive and timely analysis of the state budget, legislative bill tracking, and issue briefs on legislative priorities.



ADVOCATE

All state-funded nonprofits are Advocates at the forefront of the policy fight for increased funding and other legislative priorities. Advocates guide The Alliance's advocacy strategy, and advance nonprofit priorities at the State Capitol alongside The Alliance's experienced public policy team. Advocates have full access to all benefits offered to Partners and Champions. In addition, they receive membership to ANCOR or the National Council of Behavioral Health, and a policy staff person dedicated to their issue who staffs sector-specific Division meetings where members engage with state agency Commissioners and policy-makers.



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