Our mission is to serve citizens of the region by accessing resources in support of Region Nine Development Commission, local governments and other community organizations who serve those in need.

Service Area



Who We Help

Since 2003, RNAI has assisted in a vast variety of projects including:

- Arts
- Community
- Disaster Recovery
- Downtown Revitalization
- Parks
- Theatre
- Transportation
- Veterans Awareness
- Youth Activities



Funding Research

RNAI staff can help turn your project idea into a reality. Technical assistance can be provided at any stage, from idea conception to project execution.

Some assistance services that can be provide are:

- Community Profile Research/Baseline Studies
- Proposal Writing
- Grants Research
- Advisory Services
- Identifying and Applying for Funding
- Project Management



Fiscal Sponsor

Looking for donations or applying for grants but do not have a 501(c)(3) status? Partnering with RNAI allows you to solicit tax-deductible dollars under RNAI's tax-exempt status.

How does fiscal sponsorship work?

Using its 501(c)(3) public charity tax status, RNAI can receive and disburse funds for another organization's or group's project. The project must further RNAI's mission to serve the citizens of the nine-county region and enhance the quality of life within a community.

Some instances where an organization or group may partner with RNAI include:

- A new organization that does not have its 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status
- A 501(c)(3) organization that does not have the capacity to manage the financial aspects of a grant
- A collaborative working together on a specific project, but the collaborative is not a legal entity and/or does not have 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status

Grant Forums

RNAI hosts bi-annual Grant Opportunity Forums. Each forum includes different speakers who discuss grant opportunities available within their organization. Bringing the experts to one location allows for direct conversations about local projects.

For upcoming events, visit rndc.org



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