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PRESS RELEASE

Start-up Charity Extends Application Deadline

And they're making life a lot easier for other start-up tax exempts like themselves!

Lanham, MD, April 2016: *The Learners Lab (TLL)* is pleased to announce an extension for its Fiscal Sponsorship Application deadline for 2016. The application cycle has been extended thru the Memorial Day Holiday.

Entities pursuing tax exempt status face up-hill battles and myriad challenges moving to tax exempt status, *TLL* is working to make that process as easy as seamless and painless as is possible by delivering technical assistance and fostering mentor partnerships. Visit www.TheLearnersLab.org/Fiscal-Sponsorship.html for more details and *TLL's* Fiscal Sponsorship Application.

A start-up itself, *The Learners Lab* founder knows quite intimately the uphill battle of launching a start-up and was compelled to help other entities pursuing their tax exempt status or are in the initial/early stages of operations once granted status as a US charity, nonprofit, foundation, association, or other as defined by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Sponsorship term range from 6 months to 2 years, and are open to:

- U.S. Applicants Ready to File for Tax Exempt Status,
- U.S. Applicants Pursuing But Not Ready to File for Tax Exempt Status (starting from scratch),
- U.S. Applicants With a F1023/1024 Application Already Pending Before the IRS, But Needing Additional Assistance, or
- U.S. Applicants Needing Only Grant Processing Services

Awardees receive Mentorship plus customized technical assistance services & supports such as:

- Finance Department and Infrastructure Development
- Financial Management, Grant Administration and Project Accounting
- HR Department and Infrastructure Development
- Industry/Service Specific Policy Development
- Organizational Chart, Governance and Overall Business Unit Development
- Programmatic Development, Professional Development Training Department/Program/Materials
- Technology Department and Infrastructure Development

The Learners Lab received its letter of determination in February 2015 and has been granted tax exempt status under IRS Code 501(c)3. *TLL* is officially recognized by the IRS as a 509(a)(2) Public Charity, with contributions deductible under section 170 of the IRS Code. This designation includes a specific disposition to serve as a Fiscal Sponsor to U.S. entities.

The Learners Lab, Inc. (TLL) a charitable workforce training and fiscal sponsorship resource center. A start-up itself, *TLL* also serves as a fiscal sponsor to other start-ups tax exempt entities. Poised to be the nation's, first centralized professional development resource center, *TLL's* goal is "Training for Everyone."

The Learners Lab facilities will be located in Prince Georges County, Maryland near its current headquarters in Lanham. *TLL* is motivated to remove the cost and accessibility barriers that make career and workforce training an impossible challenge for so many to participate in, and plans to offer training resources in a host of industries supporting a broad spectrum of career, with dedicated facilities focusing on discipline specific and vocational trades such as **Welding, Mechanical Engineering, and Architectural Design.**

Launched the Fall of 2015, *TLL's* current activities surround its **Fiscal Sponsorship Program.** Efforts include securing mentor partnerships, providing grant processing support, and delivering org development technical assistance, and other unique start-up services to its **Fiscal Sponsorship Awardees.**

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