



THE BIG GIG, aka The Nonprofit HUNGER GAMES

What is the Big Gig? The Big Gig is an opportunity for the non-profit community to gather and laugh at ourselves, at each other and at nonprofit norms in general. Stealing ideas from Vu Le's blog <http://nonprofitwithballs.com>, this event will be an opportunity to examine, through laughter, some of the issues nonprofits struggle with in a very real way. Groups will be encouraged to put together short skits or films (5 minutes or less and there will be character limits...CHARACTER LIMITS grant writers, not word limits, and yes it includes spaces). Following the format (stealing ideas) of other San Antonio events like Gridiron, The Big Gig promises to be fun, silly, and an opportunity to gather with your colleagues for a night of "this is so absurd it's hilarious". And The Big Gig supports a great cause, The Nonprofit Council's advocacy efforts, which are focused on educating nonprofit stakeholders about the limits and constraints unnecessarily placed on nonprofits that prevent growth and outcomes. The Big Gig also provides opportunities for participants to raise UNRESTRICTED FUNDS for their organization. See below in the **What's in it for ME?** section.

Where is the Big Gig?

March 5th, 2016

The Josephine Theatre, 339 West Josephine Street in San Antonio

Doors Open at 7:00 PM and the show begins at 8:00 PM

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

Perform: Grab some of your favorite nonprofit friends and plan a skit or film. Next, complete the application and start rehearsing. We will hold a dress rehearsal on March 4th. Please visit <http://nonprofitwithballs.com> to gather ideas for your script. Participation is limited, so sign up right away!

What's in it for ME? The audience will vote for their favorite skit or film with tickets that can be purchased in advance or on the night of the event. The more popular you are, the more ticket votes you receive. Your organization will keep 80% of what you raise. The Nonprofit Council receives the other 20% to cover the cost of the event. It's an easy way to raise those elusive general operating dollars.

Place an AD: You are invited to place an ad in our event program. Contact the Scott at the Non Profit Council for more information on event advertising at scottm@sancouncil.org.

Attend: Big Gig tickets will be available in January of 2016 for the ridiculously low price of \$20.

Where does the money raised go? Ticket and program ad sales for The Big Gig will fund the work of the Nonprofit Council Advocacy Committee. Advocacy resources can be found here: <http://www.sancouncil.org/#!advocacyresources/c24vq>

The Nonprofit Council's mission is to provide one strong, collective voice for the nonprofit sector through advocacy, training, resource sharing and the strength and extensive knowledge of our combined membership.

Contact scottm@sancouncil.org for more information.

BIG APPLICATION

Group Name _____ **Organization** _____

Lead Contact Name _____ **Phone Number** _____

Email Address _____ **Secondary Email** _____

Street Address _____ **City** _____ **ST** _____ **ZIP** _____

Participant Names (Maximum of eight per group)

Skit Name (as it will be listed in the program)

Skit Description (Please describe, in detail, what your skit is about. If possible, attach a script.)

This sheet and a copy of your script should be sent via email to renee_garvens@yahoo.com