Lake County nonprofit organizations have been challenged with developing an inclusive governance and leadership structure that represents the underserved residents of Lake County.

Diverse representation is sensitive to cultural differences and has a stronger capacity to understand community needs.

To increase representation—education and awareness are critical—the Lake County Community Fund organized a series of four Spanish/English seminars and one nonprofit fair, between October 15, 2022, and June 24, 2023, to cultivate a new generation of leadership in Lake County.

What is a nonprofit, 501 (c)(3), and what does a board of directors do? These and other questions were discussed at the first of four bilingual educational seminars, “Leadville Leads.”

The first seminar “What is a Nonprofit?” was Saturday, October 15th, 2022 at Colorado Mountain College. A nonprofit “fair” was held January 12th, and the second seminar on “Volunteerism” was held March 11th. The two remaining workshops were Finance, May 6th, and Fundraising, June 6th.

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"I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunity you are giving us to learn more about our work. I have learned a lot from this training. It is helpful to do my job more efficiently. I am so very grateful for the time you have put into this. Thank you!"

Luz Escalera
St. George Episcopal church