3rd Annual Crime Stoppers USA
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CRIME STOPPERS U·S·A

Financial Compliance:
Responsibilities Maintenance, Monitoring & Controls

Presented by:

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Course Objectives

- Discuss typical financial year cycle
- Understanding and interpreting basic statistics and financial statements
- Ability to identify and monitor best practices basic financial targets
- Understanding the organization's financial risks
- Facilitating the strategic plan into a financial plan (budget)

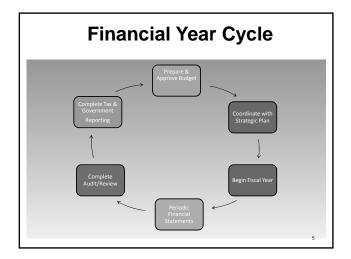
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Overview of Presentation

- Discuss course objectives
- Instruction and Demonstration of Principles, Controls and Skills
- Group Debriefing of Applications
- Other topics from attendees

Course Objectives - Cont'd

- IRS risks and responsibilities
- Compliance for Crime Stoppers programs
- Internal Controls for programs
- Understanding financial fiduciary responsibilities



Statistics Cont'd

- Graph and trend statistics for the program
- Develop statistical relationships and trend
- Compared to national and international benchmarks, if available
- This information is invaluable when preparing marketing materials, dealing with the media and promoting your program in the community and with law enforcement

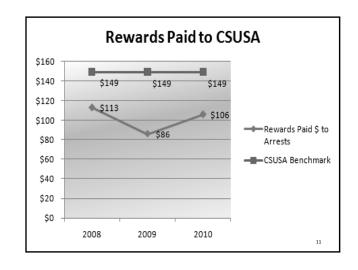
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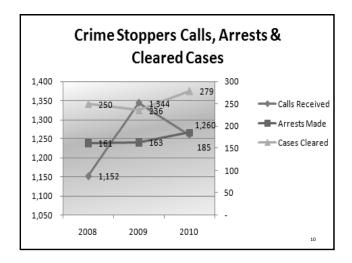
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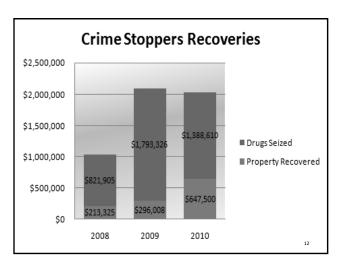
- Maintain minimum statistics as per Crime Stoppers requirements
 - Arrests made
 - Cases cleared
 - Rewards paid
 - Property recovered
 - Drugs seized
- Any additional statistic your organization may have for the program, such as calls received

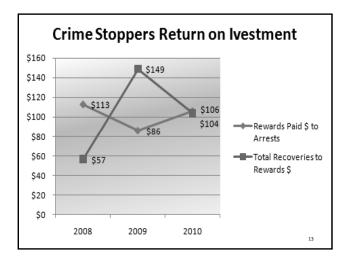
	Crime Stoppers Statistics			
		2008	2009	2010
1	Calls Received	1,152	1,344	1,260
2	Arrests Made	161	163	185
3	Cases Cleared	250	236	279
4	Rewards Paid #	87	72	98
5	Rewards Paid \$	\$18,270	\$14,040	\$19,600
6	Property Recovered	\$213,325	\$296,008	\$647,500
7	Drugs Seized	\$821,905	\$1,793,326	\$1,388,610
8	Total Property and Drugs	\$1,035,230	\$2,089,334	\$2,036,110
	1 Required Reporting Statisti	8		

	Crime Stoppers Statistics					
		2008	2009	2010	CSUSA	Calculation
9	Calls per Day	5.2	6.1	5.7		L1/220
10	Arrests to Calls Received	14.0%	12.1%	14.7%		L2/L1
11	Cases Cleared to Arrests	1.55	1.45	1.51	1.687	L3/L2
12	Rewards Paid # to Arrests	54.0%	44.2%	53.0%		L4/L2
13	Reward \$ to Reward #	\$210	\$195	\$200		L5/L4
14	Rewards Paid \$ to Arrests	\$113	\$86	\$106	\$149	L5/L2
15	Property Recovered to Arrests	\$1,325	\$1,816	\$3,500	\$2,230	L6/L2
16	Drugs Seized to Arrests	\$5,105	\$11,002	\$7,506	\$6,514	L7/L2
17	Total Recoveries to Arrests	\$6,430	\$12,818	\$11,006	\$8,744	L8/L2
18	Total Recoveries to Rewards \$	\$57	\$149	\$104	\$59	L8/L5
	CSUSA Benchmark	\$149	\$149	\$149		9









Income/Operating Statement

- Reflects the financial activities of the organization for a period of time
- Periodic report summarizing the receipts received and disbursements made for the organization
- Activity can be reported in month and year to date
- May include comparison to budget or previous year to date

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Financial Statements

- Income Statement or Operating Statement
- Balance Sheet
- Purpose of Budget
- Annual Audit or Review of Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

- Report that provides the financial accumulation of funds, investments and property called assets
- Identifies amounts owed and outstanding debt as liabilities
- The net of the assets less liabilities is termed as net assets in tax exempt, charitable organizations

	Crime Stoppers				
	Operating Statement				
	For the Fiscal Year Ended December	31, 2010			
		Actual	Budget	Variance	% Variance
1	Revenues and Support:				
2	Individual Contributions	5,600	4,000	1,600	40.0%
3	Corporate Contributions	9,600	10,000	(400)	-4.0%
4	Court Ordered Restitution	5,400	6,000	(600)	-10.0%
5	Fund Raising Events	21,000	20,000	1,000	5.0%
6	Total Revenues and Support	41,600	40,000	1,600	4.0%
7	Expenses:				
8	Rewards	19,600	18,000	(1,600)	-8.9%
9	Marketing/Promotional	5,700	4,000	(1,700)	-42.5%
10	Administrative Costs	2,980	3,000	20	0.7%
11	Fund Raising Expenses	10,120	9,000	(1,120)	-12.4%
12	Insurance	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
13	Miscellaneous	3,600	2,000	(1,600)	-80.0%
14	Total Expenses	43,000	37,000	(6,000)	-16.2%
15	Changed in Unrestricted Net Assets	(1,400)	3,000	(4,400)	-146.7%
16	Unrestricted Net Assets - 1/1/10	21,260	21,260		
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17	Unrestricted Net Assets - 12/31/10	19,860	24,260		

	Crime Stoppers		
	Balance Sheet		
	December 31, 2010		
		2010	2009
	Assets		
1	Current Assets		
2	Cash	3,205	3,70
3	Investments	16,655	17,56
4	Total Current Assets	19,860	21,26
	Liabilities and Net Assets		
5	Net Assets - Unrestricted	19,860	21,26

	Crime Stoppers				
	Operating Statement				
	For the Fiscal Year Ended December	31, 2010			
		2010	2009	Variance	% Variance
1	Revenues and Support:				
2	Individual Contributions	5,600	3,700	1,900	51.4%
3	Corporate Contributions	9,600	10,700	(1,100)	-10.3%
4	Court Ordered Restitution	5,400	6,500	(1,100)	-16.9%
5	Fund Raising Events	21,000	19,000	2,000	10.5%
6	Total Revenues and Support	41,600	39,900	1,700	4.3%
7	Expenses:				
8	Rewards	19,G00	14,040	(5,560)	-39.6%
9	Marketing/Promotional	5,700	3,800	(1,900)	-50.0%
10	Administrative Costs	2,980	2,400	(580)	-24.2%
11	Fund Raising Expenses	10,120	9,600	(520)	-5.4%
12	Insurance	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
13	Miscellaneous	3,600	1,900	(1,700)	-89.5%
14	Total Expenses	43,000	32,740	(10,260)	-31.3%
15	Changed in Unrestricted Net Assets	(1,400)	7,160	(8,560)	-119.6%
16	Unrestricted Net Assets - 1/1/10	21,260	14,100		
17	Unrestricted Net Assets - 12/31/10	19,860	21,260		18

Calculate Days Cash on Hand

- A measurable liquidity ratio.
- Identifies amount of time, in days or months, the organization can sustain expenses without incoming funds.
- Calculation:
 - Cash from all sources (Balance Sheet)
 - Divided by (Annual Expenses (Operating Statement) divided by 12 months)

1. Calculate Average Expenses Per Month

	Crime Stoppers		
	Operating Statement		
	For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2010		
		Actual	
7	Expenses:		
8	Rewards	19,600	
9	Marketing/Promotional	5,700	
10	Administrative Costs	2,980	
11	Fund Raising Expenses	10,120	
12	Insurance	1,000	
13	Miscellaneous	3,600	
14	Total Expenses	43,000	
	Divide by 12 Months	12	
	Average Expenses per Month	3,583.33	

Establish an Investment Policy

- Set of guidelines approved by the board establishing general parameters for investable funds.
- Understand risks and rewards of various investment instruments.
- Board should periodically review, revise and update investment instruments.

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2. Calculate Cash on Hand, In Months

	Crime Stoppers	
	Balance Sheet	
	December 31, 2007	
		2010
	Assets	
1	Current Assets	
2	Cash	3,205
3	Investments	16,655
	Total Cash, All Sources	19,860
	Divide by Average Expenses per Mo	3,583.33
	Cash on Hand, In Months	5.

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Determine Appropriate Investment Capacity

- Based on calculation of months cash on hand
- Maintain a cash balance that is acceptable to the board for current cash requirements
 - May want to consider an additional cushion
- Remainder may be investable portion of funds
- Keep in mind any large cash requirements that may be upcoming, such as equipment or large fundraising campaigns

Translate Strategic Plan Goals into Financial Objectives

- Review, the organizational strategic plan and identify any financial objectives.
- Translate financial objectives into individual budget goals.
- Incorporate the budget goals into the annual budget.

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Development of Annual Budget

- Statistics
 - Estimate volume goal calls, number of rewards
- Revenue
 - Forecast revenue sources such as donations, grants, court ordered, investment earnings
- Disbursements
 - Forecast expenses to achieve revenue goals.
 - Identify expenses to support program, such as rewards and administrative costs

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Purpose of Budget

- A financial plan or roadmap.
- Construct guidelines against which to measure outcomes.
- Generally covers 12 months.
- Periodically review, revise and update.
- Budget may be approved at beginning of fiscal year, allowing for orderly payment of expenses

Crime Stoppers USA
Budget Package
Fiscal Year 2011

Committee:

FY 11 Revenue Projections

Revenue Area Event or Source of Revenue Timing Amount

1. \$
2. \$
3. \$
4. \$
5. \$
Submitted by:
Date:

	Crime Stoppers USA							
	Budget Package							
		Fisc	al Year 2011					
Commit	tee:							
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	Revenue Area	Event or Source of Revenue	Timing	Amount				
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Date:				29				

Monitoring Statistical and Financial Performance

- A periodic review, monthly or quarterly, should be reported by the Treasurer on the financial performance of the organization.
- If a budget has been prepared, comparison of the budget to actual would be expected.
- Coordinator or executive director should provide periodic statistical performance and expectations.

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Develop Cash and Investment Targets

- Based on current cash on hand requirements and investment funds as discussed previously, determine any changes to these targets.
- Consider any large cash disbursements that may be contemplated in the budget.
- Consider any increases to the investment portfolio.

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Annual Audit/Review

- Financial Audit
 - Follows generally accepted auditing standards.
 - Includes examining , on a test basis, evidence supporting amounts and disclosures.
 - Includes assessing the accounting principles and estimates.
 - Provides an opinion on the financial statements.
 - An audit may be required by a donor, a private or governmental grant, or other external sources.

Annual Audit/Review (Cont'd)

- Financial Review
 - Substantially less in scope than an audit.
 - A review consists of inquiries of organizational personnel.
 - Analytical procedures are applied to financial data
 - No opinion is rendered on the financial statements.
 - Useful in providing to donors and grantors, as requested

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National Taxing Authorities

- Internal Revenue Service
- http://www.irs.gov/app/pub-78/
- Search for Charities, Online Version of Publication 78

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Annual Review/Audit (Cont'd)

- Crime Stoppers Audit Committee
 - Some organizations utilize this committee as an oversight of the finances.
 - Periodic reviews of the bank statements, deposits, checks issued are made to the supporting documentation.
 - A report is made to the full board of any discrepancies uncovered.

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FILING REQUIREMENTS

Generally, tax-exempt organizations must file an annual information return. Tax-exempt organizations that have annual gross receipts not normally in excess of \$25,000 are not required to file the annual information return, but may be required to file an <u>annual electronic notice (e-Postcard) Form 990-N.</u> In addition, churches and certain religious organizations, certain state and local instrumentalities, and other organizations are excepted from the annual return filing requirement. For more information, download <u>Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization.</u> In addition, <u>Publications 4221-PC</u> and <u>4221-PF</u> explain the filling and recordkeeping rules that apply to section 501(c)(3) tax-exempt public charities and private foundations respectively.

Tax-exempt organizations, other than private foundations, must file Form 990. Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, or Form 990-EZ. Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. The Form 990-EZ is designed for use by small tax-exempt organizations and nonexempt charitable trusts. An organization may file Form 990-EZ, instead of Form 990, only if (1) its gross receipts during the year were less than \$200,000, and (2) its total assets (line 25, Column (B) of Form 990-EZ) at the end of the year were less than \$500,000. If your organization fails to meet either of these conditions, you cannot file Form 990-EZ. Instead you must file Form 990. All private foundations exempt under 501(c)(3) must file Form 990-FZ. Return of Private Foundation.

Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF must be filed by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of your organization's accounting period. The <u>Form 990 and Form 990-EZ instructions</u> and the <u>Form 990-PF instructions</u> indicate the Service Center to which they must be sent.

IRS Public Charity Status 501 (c) (3)

Schedule A; Part I

IRS Public Support Test 501 (c) (3)

Schedule A; Part III

Is Your IRS Status at Risk?

- Any funds benefiting the organization's founder or founder's family?
- Engaging in any illegal activities for violations of public policy?
- File annual informational returns to the IRS?

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Is Your IRS Status at Risk?

- Participating in political campaigns of elected officials?
- Lobbying activities?
- Allocating earnings to private inurement of an individual or board member?
- Operating a business that is not the primary tax exempt purpose?

Donations - Responsibilities

- Donations of amounts greater than \$250
 - IRS Requirement to provide written substantiation to donor
 - Net of any fair value received for the donation
- Good business practice
 - Sending thank you notes to donors

Search Tax Exempt Organizations USA

- <u>Guidestar Charitable Organization Search</u> www.guidestar.org
- Website address: http://www.guidestar.org

Compliance

- Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) Act of 2002 for public reporting entities
- Implications for tax exempt organizations
 - Whistleblower Protection Policy
 - Record Retention Policy
 - Conflict of Interest Policy
 - Creation of Audit or Finance Committee

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State Reporting Requirements

- Important to check state taxing authorities to verify registration and reporting requirements
- · Most require an annual report or filing
- Maintain compliance with statutes

SOX Compliance Sources for Tax Exempt Organizations

- Gaffey & Associates
- http://gaffeycpa.com/WhitePaper/What does SOX mean to a not-for-profit org.pdf
- Board Source
- http://www.boardsource.org/dl.asp?documen t id=558

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Risk Assessment

- Internal risks
 - Access to funds
 - Receiving adequate financial information
- External risks
 - External contract access to information, confidentiality
 - Protecting tip code numbers
- Control activities
 - Development of checklists, policies and procedures establishing appropriate controls over organizational activities

Segregation of Duties Examples

- Cash receipts/checks are recorded and deposited by an individual not having signing authority on checks
- Have two signatures required on checks over a stipulated amount
- Have bank statement mailed directly to President for review and approval before sending to treasurer

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Internal Controls

- Controls over cash receipts
- Controls over cash disbursements
- Segregation of duties



Review and Monitor

- Monthly Financial Statements
- Monthly receipts and expenditures reports
- Bank reconciliation
- Reward reconciliation

Transparency/Accountability

- Review annual tax filing of Form 990, Form 990 – EZ, or Form 990-N
- Ask questions
 - Board has ultimate responsibility and accountability for all financial transactions
 - Fiduciary responsibility by board for funds donated to Crime Stoppers by the community

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General Liability Insurance

- Coverage for fund raising events, dram shop, etc.
- CSUSA offers opportunity to obtain general liability at reduced rates as member benefit

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Outstanding Rewards

- Rewards retention policy
- · Record destruction policy

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Directors and Officers Insurance

- Insurance to cover directors and officers by decisions that are made by the board
- CSUSA offers members access to an affordable insurance carrier
- Familiarize with state/provincial statutes
 - Some jurisdictions exempt charitable organizations from legal action, although it may be untested in court
- Consider adding umbrella insurance coverage on your personal coverage

Maintaining Tax Exempt Status

- Significantly important with respect to accepting tax deductible donations
- Charitable organizations receive other favorable tax advantages
 - No corporate income tax
 - No sales tax
 - No property tax



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Fiduciary Responsibilities Cont'd

- Comply with laws and regulations
 - Filing of tax returns
- Protect cash and assets
 - Segregate financial duties, ie cash receipts
 - Second signature on large checks
 - Track inventory
 - Bidding process, if necessary

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Fiduciary Responsibilities

- Crime Stoppers Board is ultimately responsible for preserving and maintaining the financial assets of the organization.
- Insist on current operating statement, and read and interpret it. Ask questions.
- Periodically review policies and procedures relating to financial activities (internal audit)

Fund Raising

- Grant reporting
 - May require a financial audit.
 - May need to keep track of specific receipts and expenses
- Special Fund Raising events
 - Discrete receipts and expense report should be completed determining profit or loss of event.
- Appropriate use of donated funds
 - If donor restricted, must follow wishes of donor by accepting gift.

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Course Objectives - Cont'd

- IRS Risks and Responsibilities
- Basic understanding of Compliance and Internal Controls
- Understanding financial fiduciary responsibilities
- Ability to monitor organizational funds for appropriateness