

# Building a Strong Non-Profit Board Resource List

## Books

[Governance as Leadership](#) (Chait, Ryan & Taylor) – Introduces three modes of governance that help boards move from oversight to true leadership. Link

[The Nonprofit Board Answer Book](#) – BoardSource – A practical Q&A; guide covering 85 common board issues, from roles and strategy to fundraising. Link

[Ten Basic Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards](#) – BoardSource – Outlines the ten core duties of nonprofit boards, essential for both new and seasoned members. Link

[Diversity and Inclusion in Nonprofit Governance](#) (Bernstein & Fredette) – Offers practical exercises for fostering inclusive boards and making DEI a driver of governance. Link

[The CEO and the Board: The Art of Nonprofit Governance as a Competitive Advantage](#) (Kurt Senseke) – Provides a roadmap that will guide boards and senior leadership teams to openly examine and adapt its governance model so that it is tailored to drive organizational mission success.

## Podcasts

[I 501\(c\) You](#) – Focuses on educating current and future board members about their roles and responsibilities. Link

[Nonprofits Are Messy](#) – Joan Garry's candid show tackling real-world leadership and board challenges with humor. Link

[Nonprofit Leadership Podcast](#) – Rob Harter interviews nonprofit leaders about strategy, leadership trends, and board development. Link

[Successful Nonprofits Podcast](#) – Dolph Goldenburg shares tips on board engagement, fundraising, and organizational growth. Link

## Articles

[Open Board Search \(SSIR\)](#) – How opening board recruitment beyond networks brings new talent and diversity. Link

[Inclusive Board Meetings \(SSIR\)](#) – Four steps to ensure diverse boards are also inclusive and effective. Link

[Solving the Mystery of Board Engagement and Fundraising \(SSIR\)](#) – Why many boards resist fundraising and what to do about it. Link

[Starting Off on the Right Foot \(Bridgespan\)](#) – Guidance on building strong, collaborative relationships between boards and EDs. Link



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