

Dear Grantsmanship Center Team

I just want to thank you for affording me the opportunity to take the Grantmanship Training Program-it was truly a rewarding experience. Christine Black was so helpful, knowledgeable, and practical. She was also super supportive and fun to work with. The material was what one would expect from an organization so experienced in knowing the pitfalls and common mistakes grant proposal writers make. The exercises reflect this knowledge as well and guarantee better habits for writing future proposals.

The trainees were also pretty great in their own right. Having such a diverse group of people with a variety of experience in grant proposal writing was invaluable. I learned much from the questions being asked by experienced grant proposal writers, but also felt comfortable to ask questions as a novice-I even had the honor of receiving proposal review feedback from an English professor/professional grant proposal writer. No matter the skill level, all trainees were happy to help with reliable, practical, honest feedback.

Finally, this experience means a lot to me as taking this course was a huge step toward a goal I neglected for far too long. While I expected to receive a positive response regarding my final project and proposal writing, the excitement and praise I received from the mock review panel, other trainees, and instructor really meant a great deal to me. One trainee joked that they would quit their job to work for my proposed program. Another said that I was an extremely good writer for a "numbers person," and the trainer praised my program and the detail of the budget.

Taking this course was an experience I won't forget and would repeat, without hesitation. I am completely grateful for your consideration, support, and effort. I am now one giant step closer to fulfilling my goal of becoming a grant proposal writer. And for that, I owe you a huge THANK YOU!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terri Gittings". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Terri Gittings