Your nonprofit’s most powerful marketing and fundraising tool is both free and already in your possession -- you just may not realize it! It’s telling a good story about the people involved in your organization -- the people you serve, and your volunteers and supporters. Good stories are powerful because they are emotional, and emotions -- not facts and figures -- drive giving.

All nonprofits have great stories, but exactly how do you go about telling them? What do you emphasize, and what do you leave out? During this workshop with Nonprofit Marketing Guide's Kivi Leroux Miller, you’ll see how stories can be the backbone of your marketing and fundraising strategy, both offline and online. Through a series of exercises and practice sessions, we’ll remove some of the mystery from the storytelling process as you learn how to tell three different kinds of stories. You’ll see how you can use (and reuse) stories in email, on your website, in social media, in fundraising letters, at events, and more.

Cost is just $15 for board and staff of OBX nonprofits. Registration includes breakfast and lunch! Advance registration required. Please register online at www.obcf.org by Friday, October 10.

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Through training, coaching, and consulting, Kivi helps small nonprofits make a big impression with smart, savvy marketing, communications, and fundraising. She teaches a weekly webinar series and writes a top-ranked blog on nonprofit communications at NonprofitMarketingGuide.com. Kivi lives in rural North Carolina with her husband, two young daughters, three cats, a dog, and countless backyard wildlife.
Storytelling Workshop Agenda

Thursday, October 16, 2014
8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Ramada Plaza Hotel, Kill Devil Hills, NC

8:00 – 8:30 am  Networking and Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 9:00 am  Welcome
   Bob Muller, Chair, Nonprofit Outreach Committee, and
   Lorelei Costa, Executive Director, Outer Banks Community Foundation

9:00 – 9:30 am  Putting the Power of Stories to Work for You
   Kivi Leroux Miller, President, Nonprofit Marketing Guide

9:30 – 10:30 am  Telling Your Stories Using the “Challenge” Plot
10:30 – 11:30 am  Telling Your Stories Using the “Creativity” Plot
   Kivi Leroux Miller

11:30 – 12:15 pm  Lunch

12:15 – 1:15 pm  Telling Your Stories Using the “Connection” Plot
1:15 – 1:45 pm  Helping the Donor See Their Role in the Story
1:45 – 2:15 pm  Using Stories to Get Media Coverage and Promote Events
   Kivi Leroux Miller

2:15 – 2:30 pm  Break

2:30 – 3:00 pm  Using Stories Online in Email and Social Media
3:00 – 3:30 pm  Using Stories in Fundraising Appeal Letters
3:30 – 4:00 pm  Creating Your Own Storytelling Plan and Final Q & A
   Kivi Leroux Miller