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This month we sit down with Sherry Small to discuss what we mean when we speak about Truth in Truth and Reconciliation.

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Forget about the funders – convince yourself first you're worth investing in.

There's a lot of conversation in our sector about changing the current funding paradigm that is seen as short-term, project-related, and restrictive. Important blog posts like [The Ethical Argument for General Operating Funds](#) take a stab at changing the narrative within the funding community. Here at Vantage Point, we took up the conversation through our podcast on the topic [The overhead myth: Let's end it once and for all!](#)

I can understand the focus of getting buy-in from funders. We are incensed that most funding...

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For our 50th episode, our very own Maria Turnbull joins us to discuss the origins of From Our Vantage Point and what she has learned throughout the experience.

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The new and updated Societies Act came into effect November 28, 2016 and governs how societies (not-for-profit organizations) are created and run in B.C. The new Act provides clarity, additional flexibility, and some new obligations for societies in areas such as record keeping, director requirements, and membership rules for different types of societies (ordinary societies and member-funded societies).

As part of the transition to the new Act, every not-for-profit society in BC was required to file a Transition Application by November 28, 2018.

We were curious about what could happen to...

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One of our most popular blogs to date describes governance vs. operational boards. So we decided to revisit this topic.

Close to half of all not-for-profit organizations in BC consist of teams that are not compensated financially; all activities are carried out by board members and/or volunteers. When this is the case, board members will have a direct role to play in supporting the work of the organization. Since a large number of community groups are structured this way, statistically speaking, if you're on the board of a not-for-profit in BC, chances are it's a working board.

And if you are...

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This month, Bhupie Dulay, a registered Clinical Counsellor with a Master of Arts degree in Counselling Psychology joins us to discuss safe spaces in organizations and the meaning of safety.

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At Vantage Point we are advocates of skilled volunteering – which we call knowledge philanthropy. In the spirit of National Volunteer Week, we wanted to revisit what this concept means to us as an organization.

What is Knowledge Philanthropy?

Knowledge philanthropy is the intentional practice of engaging someone’s experience, skills or talent to create a better world – and it’s an incredible way to expand the capacity of not-for-profit work.

Each of our volunteers – or knowledge philanthropists – lends their skills and talents to our mission and we consider them to be truly transformative...

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This month, speaker and thought leader, Daryl Hatton discusses the emerging not-for-profit trends in digital fundraising and what organizations can do to stay on top and innovate.

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Last year Vantage Point turned 75 and such a milestone had us digging through our archives to find out exactly what brought us from 1943 to 2018. As it turns out the answer was women.

1943 marked a turning point for our society as we found ourselves in the middle of World War II and as men went off to war, women were called upon to roll up their sleeves and keep things running. For most women, this would have been their first time entering the workforce and once they entered, you better believe they didn’t leave.

Organizing for the war effort, the Women’s Voluntary Services was formed with the...

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Recent changes to tax law and charity policy have given Canadian charities exciting new opportunities to contribute their expertise to the discussion and development of public policy.

Canadian charities have a wealth of knowledge and expertise in many important areas of public policy, from poverty reduction and education to health matters, environmental issues and much more.

Until recently, charities were limited in their ability to share their expertise with policy makers and the public. If their activities were seen as intended to affect public policy and government action, those activities...

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