

# Overview

A space built for nonprofits to work smarter, grow faster, and bring their mission to life. By Aha Projects.



**Northern Nevada nonprofits carry heavy workloads with limited support. Many face steep odds in their first five years when the risk of failing. National failure rates hover around 12-15%, and local collapses are likely greater. AHA Connects, a nonprofit program from Aha Projects, is changing those outcomes. The organization gives nonprofit leaders the physical space, operational support, and community infrastructure they need to stabilize, grow, and thrive.**

## The Building

### **Purpose-built for nonprofit work, collaboration, and community engagement.**

AHA Connects is a 16,000 sq. ft. nonprofit center designed for real organizational needs. Spaces are affordable, modern, and accessible, allowing leaders to confidently grow their agency, while hosting donors, funders, board members, and volunteers. Following the Social Purpose Real Estate model, AHA Connects advances a nonprofit-first approach that supports local missions without disrupting commercial leasing markets.



#### **At a Glance:**

- Private offices for up to 10 nonprofits
- 50 hot desks for staff, volunteers, and small teams
- Four conference rooms and two ideation spaces
- A flex hall that holds up to 280 people
- Secure storage for equipment and supplies
- Wi-Fi, utilities, and furnishings included
- Affordable hourly rates for meetings and events



## What You Can Do Here

### Work, meet, learn, build, and launch.

AHA Connects provides a professional work-home for evolving organizations that have outgrown their kitchen tables or lack consistent access to functional workspace. It's also a gathering place for community groups, networking events, trainings, conferences, arts programs, and more.

## Support Services

### Bigger than a building: A support system.

AHA Connects helps nonprofits operate with the infrastructure they've never had the budget to establish on their own.



#### Core Services:

- Legal and tax-exemption support
- HR, payroll, and compliance
- Bookkeeping and financial reporting
- Donor communications and marketing guidance
- Leadership coaching and peer support

These services reduce administrative strain, allowing leaders to stay focused on their mission and programs.

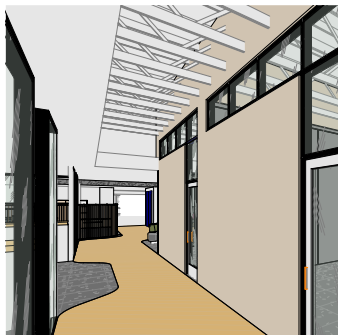
## Programming That Builds Stronger Nonprofits

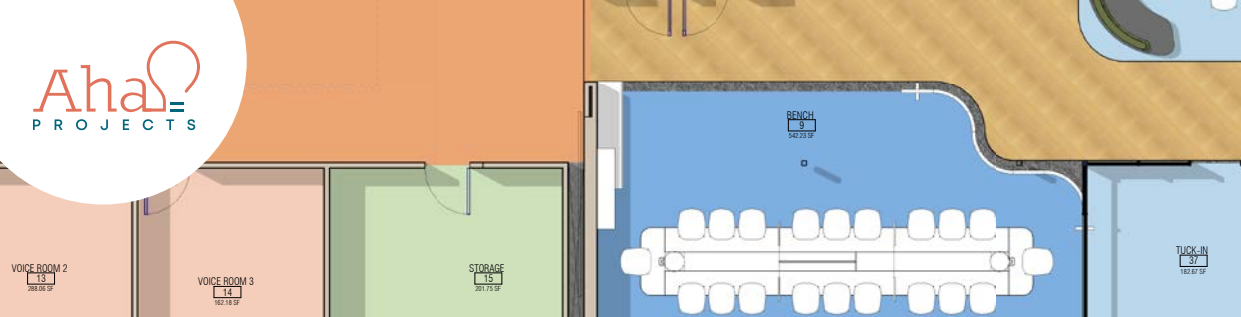
### Training, learning, and leadership support that move organizations forward.

AHA Connects regularly hosts:

- Nonprofit skills training
- Lunch & Learns with local and regional experts
- Regional conferences
- Peer connection and idea-sharing opportunities

This programming ensures nonprofit teams gain confidence, competency, and momentum.





## Fiscal Sponsorship

### Launch faster. Operate legally. Focus on mission.

Under the Aha Projects umbrella, Fiscal Sponsorship allows early-stage or evolving nonprofits to begin work immediately without forming a 501(c)(3). Ideal for start-ups, restarts, or projects in transition. Sponsorship typically lasts up to three years, guiding groups toward complete independence and autonomy.

#### What's Included:

- Legal and tax-exempt status
- Accounting, bookkeeping, and payroll
- HR and compliance
- Insurance support
- Coaching and organizational development

**Affordable cost structure:** Approx. \$100/month or 6–10% of revenue, depending on the organizations, for up to three years' support. Fees are organization and situation-dependent.

## Who Benefits

### Emerging, Growing Nonprofit Leaders and Teams

Affordable space, practical resources, and structured support that stabilize operations and accelerate growth.

### Community Leaders and Residents

A home for civic life, events, education, and gatherings that strengthen community identity and access.

### Donors and Grantmakers

Donors can be confident that their investments support organizations with the infrastructure to use funds responsibly and sustainably.

## Why It Matters

### A stronger nonprofit sector means a stronger Northern Nevada.

AHA Connects reduces duplication, increases collaboration, and creates long-term solutions to systemic capacity gaps. The result is a more resilient, innovative, mission-driven network of nonprofits and the resources they provide.



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