**Founders Freedom Forum**

**Training Team Report**

**Power Point Per Slide - Written Presentation**

**Slide 1 Training Team’s Report**

Good Evening, I’ll be presenting the Training Team’s report. I’ll be covering a great deal of information and covering it quickly. So, be sure to make note of your questions, suggestions or concerns, save them for the discussion at the end of all the team reports.

**Slide 2** **Training Team Assignments**

We were asked to review Tom DeWeese’s book: “The Activist’s Handbook: How to fight back in your community “ and to review the Activist’s Tool Kit at the American Policy Center’s website.

We were then asked to develop a draft Training Plan for activists using the book and related material.

**Slide 3** **Why Involve the Founders Freedom Forum?**

We are a designated educational non-profit.

Education is what we are all about . . . that’s what we do!

And it’s a good way to promote our organization.

It matches with our mission . . . to preserve liberty and our American Republic through educational opportunities.

**Slide 4 Why a Training Program**

Why a Training Program Here’s a few reasons why!

1. Our local, state, and federal leaders are eliminating our liberties and violating our constitutional rights. Now they are messing with our elections!

2. Our Republic is being destroyed and Socialism is taking hold in our country!

3. OH! And the Globalist’s! They are as happy as kids in a candy store . . . and in full swing implementing the UN Agendas and New Green Deal . . . much of it at the local level.

4. Conservatives for too long have been on the sidelines . . . watching and complaining! It’s time for Conservatives to get organized, stop reacting, and get ahead of the issues . . . be proactive!

**Slide 5** **Training Plan - Contents**

This slide lists the content in the draft Training Plan. I’ll go through each briefly.

* Goal & Objectives
* Training Session Outline
* Resources & Materials
* Training Session Description
* Budget Summary

**Slide 6** **Training Plan - Program** **Goals & Objectives**

Let’s start with a suggested goal.

Goal: To train local level advocates how to organize and restore citizen control for their community’s governing systems.

**Slide 7 Training Plan – Objectives**

Objectives include:

1. an introduction to the DeWeese book, “The Activist’s Handbook: How to fight back in your community” and the Activist’s Tool Kit at the APC website.
2. Participants will learn about the opposition and their tactics.
3. They will learn why it’s important to be proactive.
4. And they will start writing a Community Action Plan.

**Slide 8 Training Plan - Session Outline!**

I’ll briefly describe a proposed training session in the next two slides.

During the Welcome and Introduction, the Founders Freedom Forum is briefly described.

Then the participants will be introduced to The Activist’s Handbook and directed to the American Policy Center’s website to learn about the Activist’s Tool Kit.

In the next section of the training, facilitators will use select portions of several Video Webinars, from the Tool Kit and maybe utilize aa guest speaker.

The participants will hear about their opposition, learn how to become a Citizen Ninja, how to be proactive, and to effectively respond in their own community.

In the last hour of the training, participants will watch a 5-minute video from Tom DeWeese.

**Slide 9 Training Plan - Session Outline Continued**

Participants will then get together in groups and develop a draft Community Action Plan with the assistance of the facilitators.

Then in the last 10 minutes the participants will learn about membership in Founders Freedom Forum and complete a feedback survey.

The next several slides describe some of the available resources.

**Slide 10 Resources - Participant Packet**

At check-in each participant will receive a packet of materials. The following is a sample of possible materials in the Participant Packet.

The Activist’s Handbook, Code for APC Website, handouts, a Pocket Copy of US Constitution including the Declaration of Independence, the Forum’s American Culture Series and Anti-Socialism Card and other appropriate materials.

**Slide 11 Resources - Activist’s Handbook**

There are many resources in the Activist’s Handbook, here’s a sample of available materials. To name a few - Election Process, Zoning, School Reform, Building Codes, How to Organize, the UN Agendas, and the New Green Deal.

**Slide 12 Resources - Handbook - Understand UN Agenda!**

The Handbook has information about the UN Agendas.

1. I cannot stress enough how important it is to study the materials on the UN Agendas. They are often the foundational basis for many of the hot issues at the local level. Understanding the Agendas will help conservative activists work to remove, change, or save local policies.
2. I started to wonder about the number of communities that have implemented the UN Agendas. I asked Tom DeWeese and here’s his answer.
3. *“Almost all of them . . . any community taking Federal grants and producing a Comprehensive Development Plan is implementing some portion of the Agenda.”*

**Slide 13 Resources - Activist’s Tool Kit**

The Activist’s Tool Kit, at the American Policy Center’s website can be accessed with a code. It has documents, useful forms, background material, and video Webinars we suggest for the training.

**Slide 14 Resources – Training Session Description**

This slide covers some potential details for a training session.

We recommend a 4-hour session to be offered in the morning or afternoon.

The target audience would include individuals and groups in Southern Michigan, hopefully groups from the same geographical area.

Training session size from 10-40 people.

We suggest 2 facilitators per session. A primary facilitator who would run the training and an assistant who would pass out materials, be a time keeper & more.

 The facilitators would use a power point presentation to guide them through the training session.

**Slide 1 Draft Budget – Budget Summary**

1. Next is the draft budget summary is for one 4-hour session with 20 participants.

2. Estimated expenses are $1060. This includes: facility rental, The Activist’s Handbook, Handouts, Supplies and Refreshments.

3. Income would come from a $20 participant fee, donors who would like to support the training, and possible grant funding.

**Slide 16 Team Recommendations**

After reviewing a portion of the many materials, we recommend the following:

1. Yes, offer activist training in Southern Michigan.

2. Yes, use The Activist’s Handbook and American Policy Center Activist’s Tool Kit.

3. And, we suggest conducting a trial training first before offer the training to local communities in Southern Michigan. We recommend the participants in the trial training include the FFF Board members and volunteer facilitators.

What do you think? Should the Forum offer an Activist’s training program?