If any word can sum up nonprofits, it’s community. The nonprofit sector prioritizes the artistic, environmental, and humanitarian work it performs to serve its communities. And NIA is truly a community of nonprofits, through our insurance coverages, risk management resources, significant discounts on valuable products—and through Blue Avocado.

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- Board engagement
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But, we believe that **there is plenty of wisdom and knowledge among the leaders and staff of the community-based nonprofits themselves.** We just need a place through which to share it. Blue Avocado is that place.

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