

Foundation Center

The Foundation Center is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1956. Its mission is to strengthen the social sector by advancing knowledge about philanthropy. It accomplishes this in part by collecting information on grantmakers. The Foundation Center resources enables grantseekers to identify foundations by state and geographic area.

The Foundation Center website provides free information about how to find funders. The website is **<http://foundationcenter.org>**

The Foundation Center maintains the **Foundation Directory Online** which is updated weekly with about 110,000 grantmakers. It provides the most comprehensive and accurate free information on U.S. grantmakers and their funding activities.

The Foundation Center provides limited access to this directory online, but provides full access to the directory by visiting one of the more than 470 of the Foundation Center's "cooperating collections" — libraries, community foundations, and other nonprofit resource centers located across the U.S. and several countries. To find a Cooperating Collection near you visit **<http://grantspace.org/Find-Us>**

By visiting one of the cooperating collections, you will be able to search the online database of grantmakers by the field of interest, geographic area, types of support awarded, award amounts and various other search terms. You will also be able to export your search results into Excel, Word and Pdf documents for easy transport and use at a later time.

Grant Space, a service of the Foundation Center, offers information and resources that are specifically designed to meet the needs of nonprofits worldwide for securing funding and operating effective organizations. **<http://grantspace.org>** The website provides free online pre-recorded and live webinars on finding funders, fundraising planning and developing proposals.