

Basic Information:

Definitions:

Independent foundation: this is the foundation you normally think of approaching, i.e. the Pew Charitable Trusts, Kellogg, etc

Company-sponsored foundation: many companies sponsor a foundation that is separate from the company but still closely aligned with the company interests, i.e. The Xerox Foundation, the Avon Foundation, McDonalds Foundation

Community foundation: these foundations are focused on the community in which they are located. They fund only projects that directly benefit the community

Operating foundation: these foundations fund only programs they administer directly and do not accept outside applications.

Tools:

“Grantseeker’s Toolkit: A Comprehensive Guide to Finding Funds”, Cheryl Carter New and James Aaron Quick, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 1998

The Insider’s Guide to Grant making. How Foundations Find, Fund and Manage Effective Programs. A book by Joel J. Orosz. To order: follow this link to: Jossey Bass or contact Jossey-Bass/Wiley at: Customer Care Center-Consumer Accounts, 10475 Crosspoint Blvd, Indianapolis, IN 46256, P: 877/762-2974; F: 800/597-3299; e-mail: customer@wiley.com.

Information Paper: Funding by Nancy Chandler, ACSW, NCA, 1994

The largest publishers of texts on grant makers are:

<http://fdncenter.org/marketplace/index.html>

<http://www.independentsector.org/cgi-bin/cart.cgi>

<http://www.oryxpress.com/>

<http://www.taftgroup.com>

<http://www.wiley.com/products/subject/business/nonprofit/>

<http://philanthropy.com/free/resources/general/nppubs.htm>

<http://www.cof.org/applications/publications/index.cfm>

Listing of Resources on the World Wide Web (these are links that lead to nationally and internationally recognized funding organizations that easily found on the World Wide Web):

- Council of Foundations
- Charity and Philanthropy at Yahoo
- The Foundation Center
- Guidestar
- Women & Philanthropy
- National Science Foundation
- Association of Small Foundations
- Forum of Regional Associations of Grant makers
- Grant makers for Effective Organizations
- New Tithing Group
- National Center for Family Philanthropy
- The ePhilanthropy Foundation

Additional Tools:

National Directory of Corporate Giving

The Foundation Center: www.foundationcenter.org: The foundation center offers an on-line resource to national foundations and information regarding fundraising. There is a monthly and/or annual fee to access this information. As an alternative, there is a published version of the Foundation Directory on an annual basis that is found in the reference section of most public libraries. In addition to identifying funding sources, the on-line version allows you to check statistics, local resources and look up specific grantmaker organizations.

Child Welfare Information Gateway: formerly the National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information and the National Adoption Information Clearinghouse, Child Welfare Information Gateway provides access to information and resources to help protect children and strengthen families. A service of the Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Children and Youth Funding Report: \$419/yr to subscribe

The Grantsmanship Center magazine and additional resources at:

www.tgci.com/magazine/archives.asp

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