



Council on Foundations

**GUIDE TO
PHILANTHROPIC RESOURCES**

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Who Helps All Foundations

Council on Foundations

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202/466-6512

www.cof.org

The national membership association for foundations and corporate giving programs serves the public good by promoting and enhancing responsible and effective philanthropy. The Council provides the field with national conferences, critical resources and individual assistance.

Affinity Group Network

An affinity group is a coalition of grantmakers who come together on a regular basis for the purpose of: (1) sharing information on a particular area of funding (e.g. education, arts, children, environment), and/or (2) providing professional development and networking opportunities to individual grantmakers with like programs or population interests. They are a source for up-to-date grantmaking information in their areas of interest. For more information on affinity groups, contact the Council on Foundations' Philanthropic Relations department at 202/467-0382, e-mail affinity@cof.org or visit **www.cof.org**.

Regional Associations of Grantmakers

Regional associations of grantmakers are nonprofit membership associations of foundations and related organizations that share a common goal: to strengthen philanthropy in a distinct geographic region—city, state or multi-state area. Regional association members include private or independent foundations, community foundations and corporate foundations and giving programs. In addition, some regional associations include in their membership other related organizations, such as financial advisor firms or nonprofit grant seeking groups. To find the regional association nearest you, visit **www.givingforum.org**.

Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers

1111 19th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036
202/467-1120

www.givingforum.org

A membership association of the nation's largest regional associations of grantmakers, the Forum promotes expanded, effective philanthropy by enhancing the capacity of regional associations of grantmakers.

Philanthropy Roundtable

1150 17th Street, NW, Suite 503
Washington, DC 20036
202/822-8333

www.philanthropyroundtable.org

This national membership association is founded on the principles that voluntary private action offers the best means of addressing society's needs, and that a vibrant private sector is critical to creating the wealth that makes philanthropy possible.

Who Helps Philanthropy as a Whole

BBB Wise Giving Alliance

4200 Wilson Blvd., Suite 800

Arlington, VA 22203

703/276-0100

www.give.org

The BBB Wise Giving Alliance provides reporting and advisory service about national and international fundraising, as well as nonprofit organizations that solicit contributions from the public. Its purpose is to maintain sound standards in the field of philanthropy and to aid wise giving through advisory reports to contributors. The BBB Wise Giving Alliance is a merger of the National Charities Information Bureau and the Council of Better Business Bureau Foundation and its Philanthropic Advisory Service.

The Foundation Center

79 Fifth Avenue

New York, NY 10003-3076

212/620-4230

Regional offices:

Atlanta: 404/880-0094

Cleveland: 216/861-1934

San Francisco: 415/397-0902

Washington, DC: 202/331-1400

www.foundationcenter.org

The Foundation Center is an essential resource for grantseekers looking for information on appropriate funding sources for their programs and organizations. It focuses on furthering the public understanding of foundations by conducting research in the field.

GuideStar

4801 Courthouse Street, Suite 220

Williamsburg, VA 23188

757/229-4631

www.guidestar.org

GuideStar is the operating name and registered trademark of Philanthropic Research, Inc., a 501(c)(3) public charity located in Williamsburg, Virginia. GuideStar's mission is to revolutionize philanthropy and nonprofit practice with information. To that end, GuideStar has created and is constantly updating a database of information on all IRS-recognized 501(c) nonprofit organizations eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions.

Independent Sector

1200 18th Street, NW, Suite 200

Washington, DC 20036

202/467-6100

www.independentsector.org

Independent Sector is a nonprofit coalition of more than 850 corporate, foundation and voluntary organizations. Its mission is to create a national forum to encourage giving and volunteering by individuals and organizations.

Indiana University Center on Philanthropy

550 West North Street, Suite 301

Indianapolis, IN 46202-3272

317/274-4200

www.philanthropy.iupui.edu

This academic center is dedicated to increasing the understanding of philanthropy and improving its practice through research, teaching and public service.

National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy (NCRP)

2001 S Street, NW, Suite 620

Washington, DC 20009

202/387-9177

www.ncrp.org

NCRP works with leaders in the philanthropic community and the recipients of giving to increase public accountability by philanthropies. NCRP conducts research, compiles statistics and publicizes reports in the philanthropic field.

Who Helps Family Foundations

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www.cof.org

The Council's **Family Foundation Services department**, 202/467-0407, family@cof.org, provides resources and opportunities to help family foundations do their work. Family foundations are those foundations that are either managed or strongly influenced by the original donor or members of the donor's family.

Association of Small Foundations

1720 N Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036
202-580-6560 or 888/212-9922

www.smallfoundations.org

The Association of Small Foundations (ASF) is a membership organization providing information, assistance and workshops to foundations with few or no staff.

National Center for Family Philanthropy

1818 N Street, NW, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20036
202/293-3424

www.ncfp.org

This organization is a national resource center that focuses on matters of importance to families (with or without foundations) who are engaged in philanthropy.

Who Helps Community Foundations

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www.cof.org

The Council's **Community Foundations Services** department, community@cof.org, is committed to providing community foundations with resources and tools to assist with grantmaking and management issues.

Community Foundations of America

462 South 4th Street, Suite 2420
Louisville, KY 40202
502/581-0804

www.cfamerica.org

Community Foundations of America (CFA) was created in 1999 in order to offer community foundations the tools and environment to excel in these changing times. CFA's subscribers share a collective vision about driving the development of cutting-edge services and products that advance community foundation marketing, technology, accountability and partnerships.

Community Foundation Networks in the US

The following states have local networks providing services to community foundations:

Alabama
California
Caribbean Islands
Florida
Georgia
Illinois

Iowa
Louisiana
Maryland
Nebraska
New York
North Carolina

Pennsylvania
South Carolina
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia

Contact the Council on Foundations community services department for more information, community@cof.org or call 202/466-6512.

Who Helps Corporate Foundations & Giving Programs

Council on Foundations

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20036
202/466-6512

www.cof.org

The Council's **Corporate Services Department**, 202/467-0472, corpserv@cof.org, supports corporate grantmakers' efforts to achieve and maintain program excellence in their philanthropic activities. The department provides individual assistance, publications, professional development and various networking opportunities.

Association of Corporate Contributions Professionals

1150 Hungryneck Boulevard
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464
843/216-3442

www.accprof.org

The Association of Corporate Contributions Professionals (ACCP) is a nonprofit advocacy and continuing education organization that helps corporations identify and adopt best practices and provides training for contributions professionals in the contributions, community relations, and volunteerism fields.

Business Civic Leadership Center (BCLC) - U.S. Chamber of Commerce

1615 H Street, NW
Washington, DC 20062
202/463-3133

www.uschamber.com/ccc/about/default

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Business Civic Leadership Center serves the humanitarian, philanthropic, and civic needs and aspirations of American business. They assist small and medium-sized business owners, corporate foundation and corporate community relations managers, and chamber executives.

Business for Social Responsibility

111 Sutter Street, 12th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94104
415/984-3200

www.bsr.org

Business for Social Responsibility (BSR) is a nonprofit business association which helps companies of all sizes and sectors to achieve success in ways that demonstrate respect for ethical values, people, communities and the environment. BSR equips its member companies with the expertise to design and implement successful, socially responsible business policies, practices and processes.

Center for Corporate Citizenship at Boston College

Wallace E. Carroll School of Management

55 Lee Road

Chestnut Hill, MA 02467-3942

617/552-4545

www.bc.edu/centers/ccc/index.html

The Center for Corporate Citizenship is a leading resource on corporate citizenship, providing research, executive education, consultation and convenings on citizenship topics. Their mission is to establish corporate citizenship as a business essential, with the goal that all companies act as economic and social assets by integrating social interests with other core business objectives.

Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy

110 Wall Street, Suite 2-1

New York, NY 10005

212/825-1000

www.corporatephilanthropy.org

The Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy (CECP) is the only international forum of business CEOs and chairpersons pursuing a mission focused exclusively on corporate philanthropy. CECP's mission is to lead the business community in raising the level and quality of corporate philanthropy.

The Conference Board

845 Third Avenue

New York, NY 10022

212/759-0900

www.conference-board.org

The Conference Board creates and disseminates knowledge about management and the marketplace to help businesses strengthen their performance and better serve society. They conduct research, convene conferences, make forecasts, assess trends, publish information and analysis, and bring executives together to learn from one another.

Who Helps International Grantmakers

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www.cof.org/international or internatl@cof.org

International Programs at the **Council on Foundations** serves the public good by facilitating responsible and effective grantmaking for international purposes, education the public and U.S. Government about the value of international grantmaking, and supporting philanthropy as an essential part of a strengthened civil society around the world.

The **United States International Grantmakers (USIG)** project is a flagship product of International Programs, available to the public at www.usig.org. USIG shares best practices, explains complex legal requirements, provides model materials for foundations to use with their overseas grantees, and advocates for more favorable government regulation of international grantmaking.

Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support (WINGS)

c/o Asia Pacific Philanthropy Consortium (APPC)

Room 202, CSPA Building

Ateneo de Manila University, Katipunan Avenue

Loyola Heights, Quezon City 1108

Philippines

Phone: +63 2 926 9446

Fax: +63 2 920 9755

Email: info@wingsweb.org

www.wingsweb.org

WINGS seeks to strengthen the institutional infrastructure of philanthropy worldwide by building a strong, interconnected and collaborative global network of grantmaker associations and support organizations, which, in turn, help grantmaking institutions that support civil society to build a more equitable and just global community. The WINGS website makes available a searchable database of 136 member organizations as well as an electronic library of resources for grantmaker associations and support organizations.

Civicus

24 Gwigwi Mrwebi Street

(former Pim) corner Quinn St.,

Newtown

2001 Johannesburg, South Africa

Phone: +27 11 833 5959

Fax: +27 11 833 7997

www.civicus.org

CIVICUS World Alliance for Citizen Participation is an international alliance of members in about 100 countries that have worked for over a decade to strengthen citizen action and civil society throughout the world, especially in areas where participatory democracy and citizens' freedom of association are threatened. One of its main goals is to promote dialogue between diverse groups in society.

Grantmakers Without Borders

P.O. Box 181282

Boston, MA 02118

Phone: 617/794-2253

www.gwob.net; email: gwob@gwob.net

Grantmakers Without Borders is a network of trustees and staff of public and private foundations as well as individual donors who practice global social change philanthropy. Grantmakers Without Borders is a project of the Tides Center and a working group of the National Network of Grantmakers.

Global Philanthropy Forum

World Affairs Center

312 Sutter Street, Suite 200

San Francisco, CA 94108

Phone: 415.293.4600; Fax: 415.982.5028

www.philanthropyforum.org

The Global Philanthropy Forum is a membership organization that matches individual grantmakers to vehicles for overseas giving, assists foundations and governmental donor agencies in finding partners in global philanthropy, and highlights international issues of concern. Participants are established and emerging philanthropists and social investors who seek fresh approaches to problem-solving through strategic international giving and investing to advance individual opportunity and improve quality of life.

Global Philanthropists Circle

The Synergos Institute

51 Madison Avenue, 21st Floor

New York, NY 10010

Fax: 212/447-8119

www.synergos.org/philanthropistscircle

The Global Philanthropists Circle (GPC) is a network of international philanthropists organized under the Synergos Institute. The Circle provides opportunities for members to advance their own philanthropic projects by drawing on the advice, experience, relationships and collaboration of other members. In addition, the Circle supports initiatives to work together with international development agencies, foundations and other philanthropic organizations.

Affinity Resources in International Grantmaking

- Africa Grantmakers Affinity Group
 - Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy
 - Environmental Grantmakers Association
 - Funders Concerned About AIDS
 - Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees
 - Hispanics in Philanthropy
 - International Funders for Indigenous Peoples
 - International Human Rights Funders Group
 - Jewish Funders Network
 - National Network of Grantmakers
- Other related affinity groups:*
- Affinity Group on Japanese Philanthropy
 - Funders Network on Trade and Globalization
 - Peace and Security Funders Group

Who Helps Foundations Work in Diverse Ways

ABFE

55 Exchange Place
New York, NY 10005
212/982-6925, ext. 510

www.abfe.org

ABFE (A Philanthropic Partnership for Black Communities) works to encourage increased grantmaking that addresses issues and problems facing African Americans, and to promote the status and number of African Americans in philanthropy.

Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy

200 Pine Street, Suite 700
San Francisco, CA 94104
415/273-2760

www.aapip.org

Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy (AAPIP) works to inform the philanthropic community about critical and emerging issues in the Asian Pacific American community; to increase Asian Pacific American representation on boards of trustees and staff of philanthropic organizations; and to increase the ability of Asian Pacific American nonprofits to access philanthropic funds.

Disability Funders Network

2529 Kirklyn Street
Falls Church, VA 22043
V/TTY: 703/560-0099

www.disabilityfunders.org

The Disability Funders Network (DFN) works to share information on grantmaking opportunities and current developments related to people with disabilities and to promote the inclusion of people with disabilities in the field of philanthropy.

Emerging Practitioners in Philanthropy

666 West End Avenue, Suite 1B
New York, NY 10025
212/497-7547

www.epip.org

The mission of Emerging Practitioners in Philanthropy (EPIP) is to strengthen the next generation of grantmakers in order to advance effective social justice philanthropy.

Foundations and Donors Interested in Catholic Activities (FADICA)

1350 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 825

Washington, DC 20036

202/223-3550

www.fadica.org

FADICA is a consortium of private charitable foundations and individual donors who share an interest in religious philanthropy. The organization functions primarily as a learning and leadership forum for its members. FADICA enables its members to track trends and research of significance to faith-based philanthropy, to interact with religious leaders, to help solve problems, and to mentor the next generation of foundation trustees.

Funders for Lesbian and Gay Issues

116 East 16th Street, 7th Floor

New York, NY 10003

212/475-2930

www.lgbtfunders.org

The mission of Funders for Lesbian and Gay Issues is to increase the philanthropic community's knowledge and understanding of critical funding needs in lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities; and to educate lesbian and gay organizations on how to access philanthropic resources.

The Gathering

601 Shelley Drive, Suite 201

Tyler, TX 75701

903/509-9911

www.gatheringweb.com

The Gathering holds conferences or forums for individuals, families, or their foundations who give a minimum of \$200,000 annually to Christian ministries or have the capacity to do so. The Gathering is also open to staff and trustees of foundations, but Gathering activities are not open to staff of ministries (except by invitation).

Hispanics in Philanthropy

200 Pine Street, Suite 700

San Francisco, CA 94104

415/837-0427

Regional offices:

Colorado: 303/398-7438

Florida: 954/642-9131

Midwest: 651/312-3743

North Carolina: 919/542-5538

Northeast: 646/602-2105

Philadelphia: 215/731-1002

www.hiponline.org

Hispanics in Philanthropy advocates for increased philanthropic support of Latino communities and greater representation of Latinos on the board and staff of foundations.

Jewish Funders Network

150 West 30th Street, Suite 900

New York, NY 10001

212/726-0177

www.jfunders.org

The Jewish Funders Network (JFN) is an organization of individual and institutional grantmakers committed to broadening the base and scope of Jewish philanthropy and advancing its effective practice. To respond to the challenges of the twenty-first century and the evolving needs of the Jewish community, it seeks to provide a forum for exposing the broadest range of contemporary creative and innovative thinking; to foster growth and vitality in Jewish charitable giving; to encourage informed grantmaking to Jewish and secular causes that embody Jewish values; and to facilitate cooperation and partnerships among grantmakers.

Native Americans in Philanthropy

2801 21st Avenue South, Suite 132D

Minneapolis, MN 55407

612/724-8798

www.nativephilanthropy.org

Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) works to increase the understanding and presence of organized philanthropy in native communities and to serve as a bridge between native people and organized philanthropy.

Women & Philanthropy

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 300

Washington, DC 20036

877/293-8809

www.womenphil.org

Women & Philanthropy provides leadership for foundations and philanthropy to create a more caring and just world through the full engagement of women and girls.

Women's Funding Network

1375 Sutter, Suite 406

San Francisco, CA 94109

415/441-0706

www.wfnet.org

The mission of Women's Funding Network (WFN), a partnership of women's funds, donors and allies around the world committed to social justice, is to ensure that women's funds are recognized as the "investment of choice" for people who value the full participation of women and girls as key to strong, equitable and sustainable communities and societies.

Who Helps Inform Foundations in their Grantmaking

ARTS, CULTURE AND HUMANITIES

Grantmakers in Film and Electronic Media

73 Spring Street, Suite 403

New York, NY 10012

212/274-8080

www.gfem.org

Grantmakers in Film and Electronic Media (GFEM) works to promote awareness and understanding of the ways “motion media” (film, television, video and the newer digital technologies such as CD-ROM and the Web) can enhance effective grantmaking.

Grantmakers in the Arts

604 West Galer Street

Seattle, WA 98119-3253

206/624-2312

www.giarts.org

Grantmakers in the Arts works to strengthen arts philanthropy and its role in contributing to a supportive environment for the arts nationwide.

EDUCATION

Grantmakers for Education

720 S.W. Washington Street, Suite 605

Portland, OR 97205

503/595-2100

www.edfunders.org

Grantmakers for Education (GFE) is a membership organization for private and public grantmakers that support education from early childhood through K-12 and higher education. Its mission is to improve educational outcomes for students by strengthening philanthropic capability and effectiveness.

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Grantmakers Association

437 Madison Avenue, 37th Floor

New York, NY 10022-7001

212/812-4260

www.ega.org

The Environmental Grantmakers Association (EGA) is a voluntary association of foundations and giving programs concerned with the protection of the natural environment.

HEALTH

Funders Concerned About AIDS

50 East 42nd Street, 19th Floor
New York, NY 10017
212/573-5533

www.fcaids.org

Funders Concerned About AIDS mobilizes philanthropic leadership and resources, domestically and internationally to eradicate the HIV/AIDS pandemic and to address its social and economic consequences.

Funders Network on Population, Reproductive Health & Rights

6 Grant Avenue
Takoma Park, MD 20912
301/294-4157

www.fundersnet.org

The mission of the Funders Network on Population, Reproductive Health & Rights is to ensure that all people have access to the information and services they need to manage their own fertility and protect and promote their sexual and reproductive health.

Grantmakers In Health

1100 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20036
202/452-8331

www.gih.org

Grantmakers In Health (GIH) is a nonprofit, educational organization serving trustees and staff of foundations and corporate giving programs. Its mission is to help grantmakers improve the nation's health by strengthening grantmakers' knowledge, skills, effectiveness, and fostering communication and collaboration among grantmakers and with others.

HUMAN SERVICES

Coalition of Community Foundations for Youth

1055 Broadway, Suite 130
Kansas City, MO 64105
800/292-6149

www.ccfy.org

The mission of the Coalition of Community Foundations for Youth is to strengthen the leadership capacity of community foundations to improve the lives of children, youth and families.

Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees

P.O. Box 1100
Sebastopol, CA 95473-1100
707/824-4374

www.gcir.org

Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees (GCIR) works to promote awareness and understanding among funders about issues concerning newcomers, immigration, refugee trends and public policy; to facilitate the sharing of information on these issues among grantmakers; and to increase financial support for projects and activities concerned with immigrants and refugees.

Grantmakers for Children, Youth & Families

8757 Georgia Avenue, Suite 540
Silver Spring, MD 20910
301/589-4293

www.gcyf.org

Grantmakers for Children, Youth & Families (GCYF) works to promote awareness and action around children, youth and family issues in philanthropy; to strengthen the knowledge and use of available resources; to serve as a point of contact for those seeking collegial and collaborative relationships with other grantmakers concerned with children, youth and families.

Grantmakers in Aging

7333 Paragon Road, Suite 220
Dayton, OH 45459-4157
937/435-3156

www.giaging.org

Grantmakers in Aging (GIA) works to promote and strengthen grantmaking for an aging society. GIA is an educational organization for staff and trustees of foundations and corporate foundations/giving programs that enables its members to network with other funders in aging, gain tools to make excellent aging grants, acquire information about the needs of the elderly as well as the resources they bring to their communities, receive updates about trends and policy changes affecting older adults, learn about current and upcoming funding initiatives in aging, and link to other sources of information in the field of aging.

Neighborhood Funders Group

1301 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 500
Washington, DC 20036
202/833-4690

www.nfg.org

The Neighborhood Funders Group (NFG) is a membership association of grantmaking institutions. Its mission is to strengthen the capacity of organized philanthropy to understand and support community-based efforts to organize and improve the economic and social fabric of low-income urban neighborhoods and rural communities. It provides information, learning opportunities, and other professional development activities to its national membership, and encourages the support of policies and practices that advance economic and social justice.

INTERNATIONAL/FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Africa Grantmakers' Affinity Group

437 Madison Avenue, 37th Floor

New York, NY 10022-7001

212/812-4212

www.africagrantmakers.org

The Africa Grantmakers' Affinity Group (AGAG) aims to encourage increased and more effective foundation funding in Africa by improving networking opportunities and enhancing collaboration, capacity-building opportunities, and linkages among new and experienced donors.

Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees

P.O. Box 1100

Sebastopol, CA 95473-1100

707/824-4374

www.gcir.org

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Grantmakers Without Borders

P.O. Box 181282

Boston, MA 02118

617/794-2253

Regional Offices:

San Francisco: 415/730-0367

Washington, DC: 240/988-2683

www.internationaldonors.org or www.gwob.net

Grantmakers Without Borders seeks to increase philanthropic funding outside the United States. It offers information and free consultation about international grantmaking opportunities. Grantmaking Without Borders is a joint project of the International Donors' Dialogue and the International Working Group of the National Network of Grantmakers.

International Funders for Indigenous People

P.O. Box 1040

Akwesasne, NY 13655

315/842-0792

www.internationalfunders.org

International Funders for Indigenous People (IFIP) works to provide a venue for communications and resource sharing among international funders of indigenous peoples.

International Human Rights Funders Group

c/o Wellspring Advisors
424 West 33rd Street, Suite 460
New York, NY 10001
212/609-2631

www.hrfunders.org

The International Human Rights Funders Group is an association of grantmakers devoted to supporting efforts to achieve the rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the treaties it has generated so that all people may enjoy a truly and fully human existence.

Peace and Security Funders Group

7 Elliewood Avenue, Third Floor
Charlottesville, VA 22903
434/989-1514

www.peaceandsecurity.org

Peace and Security Funders Group is dedicated to enhancing the effectiveness of philanthropy to promote international peace security. To this end, the group provides opportunities for education and information sharing; facilitates the development of effective strategies and collaborations; and encourages greater and new investments in this challenging and rewarding area of work.

PUBLIC/SOCIETY BENEFIT

Funders' Committee for Civic Participation

2031 SE 30th Avenue
Portland, OR 97214
503-274-2922

The Funders' Committee for Civic Participation (FCCP) works to encourage more attention and support of the broad issues of citizen engagement, both electorally and in society.

Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities

1500 San Remo Avenue, Suite 249
Coral Gables, FL 33146
305/667-6350

www.fundersnetwork.org

The mission of the Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities is to strengthen funders' individual and collective abilities to support organizations promoting smart growth and livable communities.

Grantmakers Income Security Taskforce

c/o The Finance Project
1401 New York Avenue, NW Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005
202/628-4200

www.gistfunders.org

The Grantmakers Income Security Taskforce (GIST) promotes understanding of income security issues among funders and to advance collaborative strategies in this area.

Grassroots Grantmakers

P.O. Box G

Hallettsville, TX 77964

361/798-1808

www.grassrootsgrantmakers.org

Grassroots Grantmakers connects and supports funding organizations who are engaged in grassroots grantmaking. This work is designed to strengthen resident-controlled associations and help people come together because of a shared interest in improving their block, neighborhood, or community and becoming stronger voices for change. Grassroots Grantmakers is also interested in learning about how funders utilize other tools such as convening, technical assistance, training, and leadership development to support bottom-up community building.

National Network of Grantmakers

2801 21st Avenue South, Suite 132

Minneapolis, MN 55407

Phone: 612/724-0702

www.nng.org

The National Network of Grantmakers (NNG) is an organization of individuals involved in funding social and economic justice. The network values individuals, projects and organizations working for systemic change in the United States and abroad in order to create an equitable distribution of wealth and power with mutual respect for all peoples. NNG works primarily within organized philanthropy to increase financial and other resources to groups committed to social and economic justice.

Neighborhood Funders Group

1301 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 500

Washington, DC 20036

202/833-4690

www.nfg.org

The Neighborhood Funders Group (NFG) is a national network of foundations and philanthropic organizations. Its members support community-based efforts that improve economic and social conditions in low-income communities. NFG provides information, learning opportunities, critical thinking and other professional development activities to its members.

PACE: Philanthropy for Active Civic Engagement

444 Sherman Street, Suite 200

Denver, Colorado 80203

303/765-3410

www.pacefunders.org

Philanthropy for Active Civic Engagement (PACE) inspires interest, understanding, and investment in civic engagement. PACE aims to build a community within philanthropy committed to debate and action around encouraging participation and engagement in community, civic and political life. PACE aims to inspire and incubate strategic collaborations with policy makers, nonprofits, business and the media to support active citizenship.

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www.cof.org

The Council's **Legal Services Group**, 202/466-6512, answers hundreds of legal questions each year for Council members. From payout to tipping, attorneys offer advice on legal issues affecting foundations and nonprofits. The Council also publishes many books and timely articles that explain legal issues in clear, easy-to-understand language.

The Council also has a **Research Department** that conducts surveys designed to increase the level of knowledge about the board, staff and endowment management practices of foundations and corporate foundations/giving programs.

Alliance for Justice

11 Dupont Circle, NW, 2nd Floor

Washington, DC 20036

202/822-6070

www.afj.org

Alliance for Justice is a national association of environmental, civil rights, mental health, women's, children's and consumer advocacy organizations. Since its inception in 1979, the Alliance has worked to advance the cause of justice for all Americans, strengthen the public interest community's ability to influence public policy, and foster the next generation of advocates.

Grantmakers for Effective Organizations

1413 K Street, NW, 2nd Floor

Washington, DC 20005

202/898-1840

www.geofunders.org

Grantmakers for Effective Organizations (GEO) works to promote learning and dialogue about the effectiveness of nonprofit organizations; the wide range of strategies for accomplishing organization-building; and the constructive and catalytic roles funders can play in encouraging and supporting organizational effectiveness among nonprofits.

Alliance for Nonprofit Management

1899 L Street NW, 6th Floor

Washington, DC 20036

202/955-8406

www.allianceonline.org

The Alliance of Nonprofit Management is a professional association devoted to improving management and governance among nonprofit organizations.

Innovation Network

1625 K Street, NW, 11th Floor

Washington, DC 20006

202/728-0727

www.innonet.org

InnoNet helps nonprofit organizations build evaluation knowledge and skills, enhance capacity to improve and learn through the use of participatory evaluation, and embrace and implement change.

Internet Nonprofit Center

www.nonprofits.org

Idealist is a project of Action Without Borders and helps donors locate any charity in the United States. It also includes essays, toolkits, and standards in philanthropy.

Who Helps Staff Do Their Jobs

Council on Foundations

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 300

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202/466-6512

www.cof.org/grantmakingbasics

The Council's **Grantmaking Basics Online** is a Web adaptation of *Grantmaking Basics: A Field Guide for Funders* and serves as both a guide and an interactive learning tool for those involved in the day-to-day grantmaking processes of a foundation or corporation.

Community Foundation Professional Groups

The Council on Foundations sponsors the following lists for community foundation members, affiliates and supporting organizations:

<u>List</u>	<u>Target Audience</u>
AdNet	Community foundation advancement and development staff
Aff-Able	Staff of community foundation affiliates and community foundations interested in affiliate structures
CFBoardList	Community foundation board members and trustees
CommA	Community foundation communications, public relations and marketing staff
ExecNet	Community foundation CEOs, executive directors and presidents
Finance-Admin	Community foundation CFOs, finance staff and administrative personnel
HRNet	Community foundation human resources staff
Program-List	Community foundation program and grantmaking staff
ScholarNet	Community foundation staff who establish, administer or implement scholarship funds
SuppNet	Staff at organizations that provide support services to community foundations (not supporting organizations/foundations)
TechNet	Community foundation information technology professionals, technical staff and application users

For more information about these lists, please contact Heather Scott in the Council's Community Foundation Services department, 202/467-0406, heather.scott@cof.org.

Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP)

1101 King St., Suite 700

Alexandria, VA 22314

703/684-0410

www.afpnet.org

The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) represents more than 27,000 members in 180 chapters throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, and China working to advance philanthropy through advocacy, research, education, and certification programs. The AFP is committed to preparing its members, the profession and the sector to respond to the challenges of a dynamic philanthropic environment.

The Communications Network

P.O. Box 9300
Naperville, IL 60567
630/328-2857

www.comnetwork.org

The Communications Network promotes communications as an essential and integral component of grantmaking. In support of that mission, the network provides leadership on the strategic role of communications in philanthropy, expands and enhances the communications capacity of grantmakers and offers grantmakers the services and resources to communicate more effectively both internally and externally.

Consortium of Foundation Libraries

www.foundationlibraries.org

The Consortium of Foundation Libraries (CFL) is a vehicle for enhancing learning, sharing resources and coordinating information services among foundation libraries and archives.

Giving Institute

4700 W. Lake Avenue
Glenview, IL 60025
847/375-4709 or 800/462-2372

www.aafrc.org

The Giving Institute, formerly American Association of Fundraising Counsel (AAFRC) publishes Giving USA, the annual yearbook on American philanthropy, and supports research and education. Giving Institute continues to provide financial support, expertise, and leadership to the Foundation and works in partnership with it to advance philanthropy and promote ethics in the fundraising profession.

GrantCraft

The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, NY 10017
212/573-4879

www.grantcraft.org

GrantCraft is a source of practical wisdom for grantmakers on the tools and techniques of effective grantmaking. GrantCraft offers guides, videos and case studies that present the practitioners view of philanthropy.

Grants Managers Network

141 Homestead Avenue
Metairie, LA 70005
504/834-9656

www.gmnetwork.org

The Grants Managers Network (GMN) provides a forum to exchange information about grants management and its relevance to efficient and effective grant making. GMN is an affinity group of the Council on Foundations and a project of the Rockefeller Family Fund. GMN currently has 1,000 members representing more than 700 private, community and corporate foundations.

Foundation Financial Officer's Group (FFOG)

www.ffog.org

FFOG is the Foundation Financial Officer's Group, a nonprofit membership organization of financial and investment officers of large private foundations in the United States and abroad. Large private foundations are defined as those with at least \$200 million in assets.

Technology Affinity Group

23 Briar Road

Wayne, PA 19087

610/688-6832

www.tagtech.org

The Technology Affinity Group (TAG) is a technology forum for professionals working in philanthropy. TAG seeks to advance best practices in technology through a network of technical and non-technical foundation staff.

Who Helps Boards Govern

Council on Foundations

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20036
202/466-6512

www.cof.org

The Council's **Governing Board Programs** department, karen.green@cof.org or 202/467-0428, helps equip board members with the resources and tools needed to be successful, responsive and responsible stewards of their foundations.

BoardSource

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 900
Washington, DC 20036
Toll free 877/892-6273

www.boardsource.org

This international association focuses on strengthening the effectiveness of nonprofit governing boards by providing information, resources and consulting services.

Trustee Leadership Development

36 S. Pennsylvania Street, Suite 750
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317/636-5323

www.tld.org

Trustee Leadership Development's mission is to develop ethical and responsible individual and organizational leadership capable of reaching the greatest potential and of contributing to the common good.

Other Professional Development Opportunities

Attend Conferences and Meetings

The **Council on Foundations** holds several national conferences of interest to foundations board members. They include:

Annual Conference—Held each April or May, the Annual Conference is the world’s largest gathering of grantmakers, featuring sessions for board members, corporate grantmakers, international grantmakers, and private, family and community foundations.

Community Foundation Conference—Held in September or October each year, this conference provides sessions specific to board members and staff of community foundations.

Family Foundation Conference—Held in January or February each year, the Family Foundation Conference features sessions for family and staff at all experience levels, on management, governance, grantmaking and family dynamics. The conference includes a Next Generation Retreat, a Foundation Basics track for newcomers and a new thought leadership track.

Center for Community Foundation Excellence—Classes developed and taught by community foundation practitioners include Community Foundation Fundamentals, Resource Development for Community Foundations, Marketing for Community Foundations and Financial Administration for Community Foundations.

BoardSource Leadership Forum—This annual conference addresses issues of governance in nonprofit organizations, offers the preeminent forum for nonprofit board members, chief executives, grantmakers, staff and volunteer leaders, consultants, and opinion leaders to discuss the major forces shaping the nonprofit world today.

Affinity Groups, Colleague Organizations, and Regional Associations—Many of the groups listed in these pages hold annual or biannual conferences that might be of interest. Check their individual websites for details or visit the Council’s Major Meetings Calendar (visit www.cof.org; click on the “Network” tab at the top of the page, and then click on Major Meetings Calendar).

Subscribe to Periodicals

A good way to stay ahead of the learning curve is to read periodicals in the field. Consider subscribing to the following magazines and newsletters, many of which are also available online.

The **Council on Foundations** has a number of periodicals of interest to foundation board members, including:

Council Newsletters. The Council publishes several newsletters addressing topics of interest to the grantmaking community. Council members receive free subscriptions as a membership benefit.

- **BREAKING NEWS**—National and regional media coverage of philanthropy and the charitable sector every day via email.
- **CEO LINKS**—A quarterly e-bulletin for private foundation executives.
- **CFSOURCE**—A monthly electronic newsletter for community foundations.
- **CORPORATE CURRENTS**—A monthly electronic newsletter for corporate grantmakers.
- **FAMILY MATTERS**—A monthly electronic newsletter for family foundation news trustees and staff.
- **INTERNATIONAL DATELINE**—A monthly newsletter with news, interviews with notable international grantmakers, and information for international grantmakers. It includes Legal Dimensions of International Grantmaking.
- **WASHINGTON UPDATE**—An electronic publication informing Council members about legislative and regulatory developments, Washington Update is available to Council members and Philanthropic Advisors Network (PAN) subscribers.
- **THIS WEEK IN PHILANTHROPY**—A new weekly update of the happenings in philanthropy.

BoardSource. This electronic newsletter features news and resources for nonprofit leaders (for members only). For more information, visit www.boardsource.org.

Chronicle of Philanthropy. The newspaper of the nonprofit world, *The Chronicle* features news and information for charity leaders, fundraisers, grantmakers, and other people involved in the philanthropic enterprise. Published biweekly, a subscription includes full access to the Web site database and news updates by e-mail. An online-only subscription is also available. For more information, visit www.philanthropy.com.

The Nonprofit Times. Published twice a month, this publication provides useful information on the business of managing nonprofit organizations. Free subscriptions are offered to full time U.S. nonprofit executives. For more information, visit www.nptimes.com.

Philanthropy. Published by Philanthropy Roundtable, this six-times-a-year publication offers coverage and commentary on issues of concern to donors, featuring interviews with philanthropists as diverse as William Simon, Ted Turner, and Susan Berresford. Donors also receive advice on foundation management.

Join Your Colleagues on E-mail Lists

You can keep in close contact with colleagues—right from your own desk. An electronic discussion list is an e-mail grouping of people with common interests providing a place for discussion and information sharing. The Council on Foundations, as well other organizations, sponsors different e-mail lists where you can ask or answer questions. Discussion lists are for Council members only.

Among those offered at the Council are the following:

- **Community Foundation Board Member Discussion List**
To subscribe, contact Karen Green at karen.green@cof.org.
See page 18 for a full list of electronic discussion lists serving community foundation staff and board members.
- **Corporate Grantmakers Electronic Discussion List**
To subscribe, contact Ricky Weiss at ricky.weiss@cof.org.
- **Family Foundations Electronic Discussion List**
To subscribe, contact Lauren Kotkin at lauren.kotkin@cof.org.
- **International Grantmakers Electronic Discussion list**
To subscribe, contact Kalyani Grasso at kalyani.grasso@cof.org.

Print Resources

Accounting

- ***Financial Management for Nonprofits: Keys to Success.*** By Peter Konrad and Alys Novak. Regis University, School of Professional Studies, 2001. Available from Bayaud Industries, call Dave Busenbark at 303-830-6885, ext. 209.
- ***The Financial Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards.*** BoardSource, 2003. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.
- ***Understanding Nonprofit Financial Statements.*** BoardSource, 2003. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.

Communicating with the Public

- ***The Handbook on Private Foundations.*** Council on Foundations and The Foundation Center, 2005. 888/239-5221, order #401, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- “Three Key Components to Foundation Communication,” ***Foundation News & Commentary***, January/February 1999. Council members can read the full article online. Go to www.foundationnews.org and click on Online Archives (Browse Archives). Then click January/February 1999.

Conflict of Interest

- ***Ethical Choices for Family Foundations.*** Institute for Global Ethics, 2001. 888/239-5221, order #824, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Managing Conflicts of Interest: A Primer for Nonprofit Boards.*** BoardSource, 2006. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.
- For a wealth of information on this topic, go to www.cof.org/strongfoundations. Scroll down to “Resources on Accountability & Governance.” Click first bullet, “Resources & Frequently Requested Topics.” Scroll down to “Conflict of Interest.”

Consultants

- ***Resources for Family Philanthropy: Finding the Best People, Advice, and Support.*** National Center for Family Philanthropy, 1999. 202/293-3424 or www.ncfp.org.
- ***Succeeding With Consultants.*** Barbara Kibbe and Fred Setterberg for the Foundation Center, 1992. Books may be borrowed from the Foundation Center. 800/424-9836 or www.fdncenter.org for lending program information.
- “The Boardroom: ISO a Good Consultant,” ***Foundation News & Commentary***, July/August 2002. Council members can read the full article online. Go to www.foundationnews.org and click on Online Archives (Browse Archives). Then click July/August 2002.

Directors’ and Officers’ Liability Insurance

- ***Directors and Officers Liability Insurance and Indemnification.*** Council on Foundations, 1993. Out of print but online free at www.cof.org.

Donor Intent

- ***Donor Intent.*** Robert H. Bork and Waldemar Nielson, The Philanthropy Roundtable, 1993. Available as a free download at www.philanthropyroundtable.org.

- ***Family Foundation Library Series***. Council on Foundations, 1997. 888/239-5221, order #814, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Living the Legacy: The Values of a Family's Philanthropy Across Generations***. National Center for Family Philanthropy, 2001. 202/293-3424 or www.ncfp.org.

Evaluation

- ***Evaluation as a Pathway to Learning: Current Topics in Evaluation for Grantmakers (Reports)***. William H. Woodwell, Jr., Grantmakers for Effective Organizations, 2005. Available as a free download at www.geofunders.org
- ***Funder's Guide to Evaluation: Leveraging Evaluation to Improve Nonprofit Effectiveness***. Peter York, Grantmakers for Effective Organizations and Fieldstone Alliance, 2005. Order from www.fieldstonealliance.org or 800/274-6024.

Governance

- ***Family Foundation Library Series: Governance***. Council on Foundations, 1997. 888/239-5221, order #816, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Foundation Trusteeship: Service in the Public Interest***. The Foundation Center, 1989. 888/239-5221, order #404, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Guide for Community Foundation Board Members***. Council on Foundations, 2003. 888/239-5221, order #967, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***The Governance Series***. BoardSource, 2003. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.
- ***What Community Foundation Boards Are Saying***. Council on Foundations, 2002. 888/239/5221, order #963, or www.cof.org/Publications.

Grantmaking

- "Best of the Worst Practices," ***Foundation News & Commentary***, March/April 2000, page 31. Council members can read the full article online. Go to www.foundationnews.org and click on Online Archives (Browse Archives). Then click March/April 2000.
- ***Best Practices in Grants Management***. Council on Foundations, 2001. 888/239-5221, order # 509, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Family Foundation Library Series: Grantmaking***. Council on Foundations, 1997. 888/239-5221, order #816, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Grantmaking Basics***. Council on Foundations, 1999. 888/239-5221, order #508, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- "Grantmaking Issues." Articles and sample documents online in the Family Foundation Services section of the Council Web site.
<http://www.cof.org/Members/content.cfm?ItemNumber=624&navItemNumber=2724>

Investing

- ***2004 Investment Performance and Practices of Community Foundations***. Council on Foundations, 2005. 888/239-5221, order #971 for the book, #972 for the CD-ROM, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Foundation Management Series***, Volume 12. Council on Foundations, 2006. 888/239-5221, order # 228, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Minding the Money: An Investment Guide for Nonprofit Board Members***. BoardSource, 2004. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.

- ***Program-Related Investment Primer***. Council on Foundations, 1993. 888/239-5221, order #505, or www.cof.org/Publications.

Legal Requirements

- ***Corporate Giving and the Law, Second Edition***. Council on Foundations, 1999. 888/239-5221, order #1012, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Family Foundations and the Law: What You Need to Know, Third Edition***. Council on Foundations, 2002. 888/239-5221, order # 805, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***First Steps in Starting a Foundation, Fifth Edition***. Council on Foundations, 2002. 888/239-5221, order #101, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Fiscal Sponsorship: 6 Ways To Do It Right, 2nd Edition***. Study Center Press, 2006. 888/239-5221, order #RS18, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***How to Calculate the Public Support Test***. Council on Foundations, 2006. 888/239-5221, order #970, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Rules of the Road: A Guide to the Law of Charities***. Council on Foundations, 1999. 888/239-5221, order #610, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Top Ten Ways Corporate Foundations Get Into Trouble***. Council on Foundations, 2004. 888/239-5221, order #1022 , or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Top Ten Ways Family Foundations Get Into Trouble***. Council on Foundations, 2005. 888/239-5221, order #827 , or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Top Ten Ways Independent Foundations Get Into Trouble***. Council on Foundations, 2003. 888/239-5221, order #856, or www.cof.org/Publications.

Self-Assessment

- ***Measuring Board Effectiveness***. BoardSource, 2000. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.
- ***Self-Assessment for Foundation Boards***. BoardSource, 2000. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.
- ***The Drucker Foundation Self-Assessment Tool: Process Guide***. Drucker Foundation and Jossey-Bass, Inc., 1999. 800/956-7739 or www.amazon.com.

Staff

- ***2005 Grantmakers Salary and Benefits Report***. Council on Foundations, 2006. 888/239-5221, order #231 for the book, or #232 for the CD-ROM, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Assessment of the Chief Executive: A Tool for Nonprofit Boards..*** BoardSource, 2005. 877/892-6273 or www.boardsource.org.
- ***Interviewing: More Than a Gut Feeling***, by Richard S. Deems, Ph.D. American Media Publishing, 1998. Available on www.amazon.com.

Trends

- ***Facing Forever: Planning for Change in Family Foundations***. Council on Foundations, 2004. 888/239-5221, order #857, or www.cof.org/Publications.
- ***Family Foundations: A Profile of Funders and Trends***. The Foundation Center and the National Center for Family Philanthropy, 2000. 800/424-9836 or www.fdncenter.org.
- ***Foundation Management Series***, Twelfth Edition. Council on Foundations, 2006. 888/239-5221, order #228, or www.cof.org/Publications.

Web Resources

Accounting

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants—www.aicpa.org

Grants Management Software

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The Arlington Group—www.arlingtongroup.com

Bromelkamp Company—www.bromelkamp.com

CyberGrants, Inc.—www.cybergrants.com

Dyna-Quest Technologies—www.Dyna-Quest.com

MicroEdge, Inc.—www.microedge.com

Insurance

America's Health Insurance Plans—www.ahip.org

Insurance Information Institute—www.iii.org

Investment

The Investment Fund for Foundations—www.tiff.org

National Committee on Planned Giving—www.ncpg.org

IRS

IRS Information for Tax-Exempt Organization—www.irs.gov/publications/p557/ch03.html

Job Postings

Action Without Borders—www.idealist.org

Chronicle of Philanthropy—www.philanthropy.com/jobs

Council on Foundations—www.cof.org/jobs

Foundation Center—www.fdncenter.org/pnd/jobs

Lawyers

American Bar Association—www.abanet.org

Lawyer Locator—www.martindale.com/locator/home.html

Technology

HandsNet—www.handsnet.org

Nonprofit Software Index—www.nonprofitexpert.com/nonprofit_software.htm

NPower—www.npower.org

Technology Affinity Group (TAG)—www.tagtech.org

Techsoup—www.techsoup.org