

## Partnering to bring you the best in nonprofit information

### **The Foundation Center**

Established in 1956 and today supported by more than 600 foundations, the Center is the nation's leading authority on organized philanthropy, connecting nonprofits and grant makers to tools they can use and information they can trust.

### **The Columbus Public Library**

Now hosts a Cooperating Collection of the Foundation Center in the Reference Department on the 2nd Floor. The collection offers resources on foundation, corporate, and government funding; non-grant fundraising; proposal writing; and nonprofit management.

### **The Community Foundation**

Helps donors and their families create and support philanthropic funds that make charitable giving easy, fast, and effective. The Community Endowment Fund, one of more than 130 funds that total some \$60 million, helps strengthen the community... now and forever.

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## The Foundation Center Cooperating Collection

### **Grant Information & Management Resources to Strengthen Nonprofits**

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# The Cooperating Collection — Your “Go-To” for Funding

## A Free Information Center—Available Now!

All over the U.S., Foundation Center Cooperative Collections are free funding information centers that provide a core collection of Foundation Center publications and a variety of supplementary materials and services useful to grantseekers.

In our area, nonprofit organizations and other grantseekers now have the support they need to find the grants they want. Funded by a grant from the Community Foundation and hosted by the Columbus Public Library, the Cooperating Collection is in the Reference Department on the 2nd Floor.

## What You’ll Find:

- Profiles of more than 91,000 U.S. grant makers and a searchable database of more than 1,000,000 grants in *Foundation Directory Online Professional*
- Proposal-writing guides with step-by-step instructions and examples of successful proposals

- *Grants to Individuals Online*, a one-of-a-kind database of more than 6,500 foundations and public charity programs that provide support for students, artists, researchers, and other individual grant seekers
- Methods for improving management of a nonprofit organization
- Ideas for recruiting and managing volunteers
- A collection of the Foundation Center’s publications and directories
- Online access to Foundation Center articles and links via [www.fdncenter.org](http://www.fdncenter.org)

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## How it Works

The materials are on special shelves in the Reference Department. While most of the print material cannot be checked out, users may photocopy and print for a small per-page fee. Visitors conduct their own research, but library staff will help them get started. For funding research, databases are accessible through public computers in the Library or via patrons’ own laptops if they are Wi-Fi enabled. Search results can be e-mailed or saved onto disks or portable memory devices. Comprehensive introductions to the resources are available via appointment at 706-243-2687.

## Training

The Library will offer periodic training sessions on how to effectively use the Cooperating Collection resources and identify potential funders. Call 706-243-2687 to register your interest.

## Hours

The Collection is open to the public during regular Library hours:

Mon -Thu	9 am—9 pm
Fri -Sat	9 am—6 pm
Sun	1:30 pm—6 pm