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Ok, why don't we go ahead and get

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started.

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Good morning, and thank you all

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for coming out. I'm Carol Rudisell. I'm a

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member of the Reference and

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Instructional Services department and

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I'm really happy to have the opportunity

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to speak with you today about the

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library's resources that pertain to

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philanthropy, fundraising, and grants. So

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my goal today though is to help you

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learn a little bit about the process

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here at the University of Delaware for

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securing grants, and to spend a fair

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amount of time going over the databases

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that we have that are good for zeroing

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in on funders. I don't think I need to

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remind you that funding is very

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competitive, and you know it pays to kind

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of do your homework, make sure you're

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approaching the right people. And that's

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what we're going to be focusing on.

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Normally we try to begin the workshop

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with representatives from the Research

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Office, and the Development Office but

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they were unable to attend today. But

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they did ask me to pass along their good

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wishes and make sure that you knew they

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existed and how to find them. You'll

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notice I gave you an agenda and at the

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bottom of the agenda there is a box with

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various links that are useful for grant

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seeking, and there is a link here to the

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Research Office and also a link to the

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Development Office. I mentioned this

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because if you are applying for grants

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through the University, not necessarily

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to fund your own personal research but

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if you are engaged in a project that is

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going to be sponsored by the University

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you truly need to touch base with the

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Research Office and the Development

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Office. They can then guide you

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through the process - particularly any

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grants (federal grants

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that go out of the University), they have

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to be submitted by the Research Office.

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Similarly, the Research Office looks at

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at grants that are going out from other

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institutions to make sure that

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everything is in place. My understanding

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is that if you're applying say as a

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faculty member for summer funding, it

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depends on how the funding

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opportunity is written as to whether or

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not you need to apply as an individual

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person or apply through the University.

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So if you have any questions at all

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about that I would highly recommend

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you're giving the Research Office a call.

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Besides they're good people to get to

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know. And you should have in your

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department too

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a liaison who can help to guide you

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through the process. Let me just take

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a minute and go over to the Research Office

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website. So here we are at the

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university homepage and if we go over to

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"Research and Innovation" we can link

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through to the Research Office. Then

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you have the exact address on your on

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your page. And so here you have the

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Research Office website. There is a

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category for researchers. You can go

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straight in there. And here you have the

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"Researcher's Toolbox". But there's also a

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staff directory, and this is where you

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can begin to see who in your department

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is responsible for managing grants. So

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here you'll see who your contact person

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is in the Research Office, and then

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you'll also see who your department

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administrator is. That's what you

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would... Those are the people that you

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would need to talk to as you begin to

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think about who you're going to approach.

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Let's just say you've found a great

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private foundation that you would like

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to contact,

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or submitted a proposal to. You're not

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sure whether or not you need to go in as

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an individual or as a foundation? What

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you wanted, or I mean, or an organization.

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what you want to do is contact the

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Development Office, for a couple of

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reasons. The Development Office is

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very critical in developing

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relationships with private foundations

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and companies. And a lot of times they

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can kind of clear some paths for you.

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What they generally ask before you come

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to them is that you have a budget, a

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brief description of the project that

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you want to do (in a timeline), and

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departmental approval to pursue it. So

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and then you set an appointment with

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them and they'll ask you why you think

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it's the foundation you're interested in

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is a good match. So with that information

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you can then be prepared to go

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forward. But anyway, here you have the

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website for corporate and foundation

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relations. You can go through and read

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what they have on what's called prospect

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clearance. That's the the discussion that

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you have with them prior to making an

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approach to a corporation or a

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foundation. Not only can they clear the

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way for you sometimes because of the

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relationships they've established but

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also there are instances where certain

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foundations or corporations are targeted

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for really large gifts. Say for capital

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campaign for the University... And they

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plan on approaching the foundation to

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ask for over a million dollars. And if

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that's the case they may not welcome a

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lot of independent researchers from the

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University approaching the same

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foundation asking for much smaller

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grants. Because then, when the University

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makes its official approach they the

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foundation could say well I've already

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given to the University of Delaware. The

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Disaster Research Center.

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And that wouldn't be so good. So that's

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another reason why you want to reach out

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to the Development Office and have a

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conversation with them. So just to

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reiterate grant seeking really is a

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process. You know what they say, "There's

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no such thing as a free lunch." You really

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do have to work for your grant. It's a

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lot more than just sitting down and

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shooting off a canned proposal. First of

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all you know start as early as you can.

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Regardless if you're going in for grant

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for an organization or for an individual

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it always pays to start as early as you

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can in the process. A lot of times

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particularly if you're looking for

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funding as part of an organization, you

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need to think about projects that can be

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funded rather than necessarily looking

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for ongoing funding. So you'll want to

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think about fundable projects. And you'll

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want to, early on in the process, make

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sure you have all of your internal ducks

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lined up. And that's again what I just

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was reiterating. In a university setting

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you know you'll you'll want to make sure

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you've touched base with your department

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administrator, your your department chair,

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who will probably then go forward with

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the Dean Provost depending on the size

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of the grant, the Research Office and the

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Development Office. If you're in a

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nonprofit world generally you're going

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to be working with your Executive

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Director or if they're larger

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organization they will have their own

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Development Office that you work with

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and sometimes you will be working with

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the Board of Trustees of that or Board

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of Directors rather, for that

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organization. So, one of the things as

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you're putting projects together you

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want to you know make sure you evaluate

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them and make sure they're high-impact

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that they really are working very

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closely with your mission and goals

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and that they are achievable. So you want

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to make sure that you have the resources

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in order to carry out the project that

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you're proposing. And that can be just as

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simple as having an office space for a

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staff person to work in. Or if you're

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going to be carrying out certain work

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making sure you have the equipment in

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place. And if not including it in your

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proposal. There's nothing worse than

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having a grant and then realizing, "Oh gee,

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you know, I forgot to include money for

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benefits for the person we can't hire

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them if they don't have benefits." So you

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want to make sure that you have

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everything in place in order to carry

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out that project. So I mentioned that you

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want to think about fundable projects

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organizations, charitable organizations,

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often don't like to permanently carry a

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non-profit. They want to be able to help

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them get started.

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Provide discrete funding, one-time

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funding that can sometimes be renewed

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depending on the organization. So it

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becomes your job as a fundraiser for

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your organization to try to creatively

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think about, "Well which of our needs can

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we pull out (&) form into a project that

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would be attractive to a funder?" So be

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thinking along those lines. There are

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funds available for general support for

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organizations, but those are highly

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competitive. So if you can think of in

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terms of one-time funding projects

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that's a little bit better. And this

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gives you just an idea of some of the

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types of projects that you can come up

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with. Again to take stress off of your

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ongoing budget. Staff, renovations,

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equipment, programming, and then of course

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you guys know research. That's an obvious

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to. Travel. Okay, for students looking to

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travel to go to conferences that can

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also be something that you look into.

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Researching your funders is key and I

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can't emphasize this enough and this is

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really what the major emphasis of

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today's workshop is going to be - How to

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go about researching the funders. Because

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generally what you're trying to do is

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find funders who whose mission and goals

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are going to be furthered by your

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research. Ok? Or your work your

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organization's work. So that it becomes a

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marriage of sorts. You know by funding

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your work they're getting their goals

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and missions accomplished. So we

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recommend that you start by using a

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database or two, generating a list, and

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then refining it using other sources to

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gain more information about the

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funder. Looking at other criteria. And

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what are those criteria? These are some

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of the things you're going to be looking

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for. You're going to be looking for

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funders who are interested in funding in

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your geographic area. That is a big one.

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Believe it or not. There are a lot of

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foundations there that focus just on

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their own community. So you want to be

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sure that your area where you're located

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where your research is going to be

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carried out or your project. That it

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matches the funder's interests. The

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subject area. So you're interested in

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Disasters? Physical therapy? That's

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something you would want to make sure

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that the the funder is interested in.

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Types of support. The most obvious one

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that I can think of are scholarships,

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fellowships for graduate students for

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example. You'll want to make sure that

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the organization funds scholarships to

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individuals okay and or fellowships to

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individuals. Other types of support: Capital

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Campaigns. Or research is another type of

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support. So those are the kinds of things

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that you can put in. Other factors come

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become critical when you're looking at

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support for individual research or for

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individual scholarship. There are

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fellowships out there for things

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categories that pertain to your own

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personal experience. So if you have a

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veteran status there may be other

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opportunities are available. If you're a

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woman there may be other opportunities.

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Person of color, etc. So you're going to

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be on the lookout for that as well. I

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want to just make sure we understand the

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types of funders that we're talking

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about. Because in a minute I'm going to

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show you a few databases and they differ

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in terms of the types of funders that

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are included. So I won't go into great

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detail but what you see up here on the

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screen are the most common funders. I'm

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gonna try to put a little bit more focus

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on private foundations simply because,

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well a number of reasons, but we are

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affiliated with the Foundation Center. We

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meaning: University of Delaware. Affiliated

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with the Foundation Center that's

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located in New York City. And they

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basically serve as a clearinghouse for

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information on private foundations.

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Private foundations are organizations

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nonprofit organizations that are set up

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with the sole purpose of giving away

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money. And they are required by law to

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give away a certain percentage a year. So

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they are really good sources to apply

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and a lot of times

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researchers, fundraisers, prefer to

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approach private foundations because

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sometimes the process is much simpler.

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the application can be as simple as a

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letter with a budget attached. So it can

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be that simple. On the other hand your

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larger foundations have

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a much more robust application procedure.

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There can also be fewer red tags say

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then applying for federal funding. Again

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that's not across the board but

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generally those are some of the things

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that I hear as to why researchers like

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to approach private foundations. Let me

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interject too, because I don't want to

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forget this, oftentimes people will ask

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me, "Well okay, we're going to be

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researching private foundations and

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other funders why do I need to go

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through a database? Why can't I just

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Google this?" Private foundations in

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particular often have many of them have

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small staff. They don't want applications

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from all over the world. So they don't

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have websites. There are less than half

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private foundations - and there are more

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than 140,000 private foundations - less

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than half have websites. So if you're

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only relying on Google to find your

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funders you're missing out on a lot of

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money. So that's why we recommend using a

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database. And in particular for private

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foundations I highly recommend using the

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Foundation Directory - Online Professional

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which is one of the databases we're

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going to take a look at. There are other

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useful sources for funding for graduate

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students particularly you'll want to

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look at the professional associations in

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your area they often give grants for

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travel. Prizes for research, that kind of

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thing. So you'll want to be on the

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lookout for that. Public charities it's

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another good source. Public charities or

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nonprofit organizations that conduct

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programs but also make grants. Sometimes

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they call themselves a foundation but

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that their tax status really is not the

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same as a private foundation's. A good

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example is the Make-A-Wish

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foundation. Although I think they've now

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dropped the foundation from their name.

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Because they're not a foundation they're

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public charity. They raise money but they

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also give money. So corporations good

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source. They often want to fund projects

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that are going to provide a little

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goodwill in their community. Give them

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some good publicity. So they can also be

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helpful. They're probably the most

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elusive category to find though because

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they're not required by law to say who

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they give to. So that can require a fair

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amount of digging to find corporations

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that are good for support. Government

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agencies we will take a look at some of

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those. For those for those of us here in

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the state of Delaware if you're looking

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for funding from the state, the state

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website is the best source.

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None of the databases that I'm going to

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show you are especially good for

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locating Delaware state funding. Any

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questions about that so far?

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I'm guessing you guys probably don't

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care where your money comes from right?

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Is that true?

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Okay. So we'll we'll we'll take a look at

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all of the databases and then you can

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pick and choose who you actually apply

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to. So you're going to use the databases

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to generate a broad list. These are the

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primary ones that are available to you

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here at the University of Delaware. The

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first three are subscription databases

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(i.e. - the Library pays for them so that

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you can have access to them). The

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fourth one is the only one that is free

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on the internet. And that's Grants.gov.

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That is the primary portal for

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government funding. I'm not going to show

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you Grants.gov today because the

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information that is provided in

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Grants.gov is also available in COS

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Pivot. And I think the searching

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interface

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in COS Pivot is better. So we will look

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at COS Pivot, Foundation Directory Online

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Professional, and the Foundation Grants

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to Individuals. So I have mentioned

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private foundations a little bit.

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The Foundation Directory Online

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is the best source for private

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foundations. It includes all private

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foundations. So we know if we go there we

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have got all of them. And over the years

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they have added different types of

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funders to the database. So they do

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include now some of the larger corporate

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givers. And they also include now some of

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the federal government funders as well.

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So it's this is a great source. You can

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access it anywhere on campus. You can

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also access it from home, although you'll

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have to proxy and login with your UDel

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net and password. If you follow

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the instructions on the sheets that I

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gave you you'll have no trouble getting

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into Foundation Directory Online from

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00:21:17,366 --> 00:21:19,733
home should you choose to do so.

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Foundation Grants to Individuals is a

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companion database as the title suggests.

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Though it is geared for those of you who

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are looking for funding to apply not as

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part of an official University project

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but as an individual scholar. So students

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who are looking for funding this is a

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great database for you to try. This

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particular database though is only

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searchable from within the library on

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library computers. Hardwired computers.

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Not even laptops. So we have special

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logins for you to use today. But normally

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what you have to do is physically come

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into the building, and sit down, use one

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of the library computers to get in to

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that database. And just so you know that

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as I said the companion

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databases is the foundation directory if

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you're looking for funding as part of

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the University definitely stick with the

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Foundation Directory. Individuals again

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you'll want to use this database.

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Pivot I have alluded to. Pivot started

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down at Johns Hopkins in their research

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office. So it has a very heavy emphasis

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on research. But if you are working with

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a social service organization you can

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also find funding in there as well. It is

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really good for finding federal

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funding. And that's what I really like

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about it best. It also includes a very

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little bit of state funding and also

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some nonprofit other nonprofits and

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professional associations are

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represented there. Both this database

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Pivot and the Foundation Directory are

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attempting to become international.

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They're slowly moving in that direction

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and I'd say right now you can count on

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Western Europe being fairly well

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represented.

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Especially the UK. And they're now also

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branching down into Australia, up to

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Canada, and starting to pick up China as

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well. So you're starting to see some

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diversification, but it does have a very

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significant Western slant. Let's see... This

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one is also accessible from anywhere on

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campus and again at home. This one also

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has some special features that I'll

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mention a little bit later. But if you're

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looking for funding on an ongoing basis

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I would highly recommend for this

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database that you create your own

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username and password and set up a login.

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And that way you can take advantage of

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the special features.

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And then Grants.gov as I said is the

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place where you can go to search for

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federal funding. And once you leave the

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University if you're totally

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unaffiliated with any other university

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that provides COS Pivot or another

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funding database you can always use

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Grants.gov to find federal funding. And I

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want to emphasize again you can use it

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now to look for funding but please do

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not attempt to apply for any grant going

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out under the University's name through

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Grants.gov. Only the research office can

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do that, okay? You can look and see what's

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available but the site is also the

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portal where people submit applications.

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But only the research office is

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authorized to submit on behalf of the

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University. So once you go through the

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databases and come up with a list and

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all the databases allow you to download

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information to a spreadsheet or you know

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download individual PDFs. What you want

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to do is think of that information as a

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starting point. Just a list to help you

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figure out who it is you want to look at.

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And then you really want to take a much

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closer, more more in-depth look, at the

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organizations on your list. The first

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place to go would be to see if they have

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a website. The databases will give

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you a link to the website if they have

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them. So you'll definitely want to go

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over to the website and do more

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comprehensive reading at the website.

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Also a lot of them are now pushing out

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publications, newsletters, annual reports.

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Again you'll take a look at those kinds

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of things to see if they just clarify

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the giving picture for that particular

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organization. A lot of the funders too

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are engaging in social media so you can

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follow them on Twitter, friend them on

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Facebook, etc.

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Okay? And again the the purpose of doing

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that is twofold. Its to help you

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understand what they're doing but it's

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also to get you on their radar as well.

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Particularly if you're working with a

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community organization you want people

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to be seeing what your organization is

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doing so that you know when you approach

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them you know they know! It's like,

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"Oh yeah I've heard of them!" So that helps.

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Newspaper sources can be great

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particularly if you're going after

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funding for corporations. As I said

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corporations tend to give in their own

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communities. So your local newspaper is a

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great source. So get used to looking and

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finding you know out who's giving in the

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Delaware area. And the library has a

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number of newspaper databases that are

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good for searching online. Not only local

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newspapers but other newspapers

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throughout the U.S. Lastly there's

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personal contacts. And you'll notice that

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in all of the databases they give you

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information about who the Executive

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Directors are, who the

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staff is, who the Board of Directors

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are, etc. And the Foundation Directory in

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particular has started relying on

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LinkedIn as a what as a way too

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of connecting. And again it's to take

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advantage of person-to-person contacts.

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So but particularly if you're working in

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a nonprofit organization you're gonna

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want to have chats with your Board of

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Directors and find out if they know of

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any of the people who may sit on the

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Board of Directors with these other

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foundations. Because as much as we like

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to think that this is an open process

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and anyone can apply, people-to-people

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relationships still weigh pretty heavily.

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So you don't want to ignore that. Well

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I think we are getting close to moving

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over into the databases

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to do our search. But I want to mention

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before we do - For those of you who have

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never written grant proposals before I

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highly recommend going to visit

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grantspace.org. And that's one of the

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websites that's in your - on the agenda in

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the little box at the bottom. That

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website has references to tutorials that

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you can walk through that will tell you

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how to write a grant proposal, how to put

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a budget together, how to approach a

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funder... Basically everything! It's all

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there. It's a really great website. I

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cannot recommend it highly enough. There

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are also links to some sample documents.

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Not a lot, but a few. There are also links

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to the Foundation Center publications.

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And I brought just a few of them to show

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you. They don't give away their books

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that they sell online. So alas they'll

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give you excerpts but but they won't

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give you the full book. If you've never

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written a grant proposal before this is

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a great one [Guide to Proposal Writing]. Walks you through the whole

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process. And I'll leave these up here if

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you want to come and take a look later

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you can. They also put out "The Grant

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Seeker's Guide to Winning Proposals". Which

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has not only copies of proposals the

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actual proposals that have gone to

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private foundations, but it also has the

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reviewer's comments on why they liked the

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proposals and opted to fund them. And

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then the last thing that I brought they

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put out a lot of publications but these

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three I think are particularly useful [Carol holding the book: "After the Grant"]

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This one [Carol holding the book: "After the Grant"] is basically what to do after

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the grant. And again this is the

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relationship building piece. You know, how

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to steward your grant once you get it.

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What do you need to do to try to

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cultivate a good relationship with that

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funder and also perhaps build some with

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others. So those are the key publication

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guides that you'll find there. For graduate

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students you'll also find bibliographies

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there on sources that you can use

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to help you put together fellowship

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applications, fellowship essays, that kind

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of thing. And I brought just a couple

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that we have from our collection here in

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Reference that talk about how to write

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winning essays for various foundations

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and scholarly organizations that are

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putting out funding. And then if you've

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never seen the "Chicago Guide To Your

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Academic Career", this is also a nice

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publication that will talk to you a

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little bit about the various processes

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and concerns that you might need to

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consider as you're looking for

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dissertation support, etc. We also have a

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web page which I'm going to take you to

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next that collects all of this

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information. Gives you a link to the

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Foundation Centers, grantspace.org - which

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I just talked about - gives you the links

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to the library databases, etc. We also

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have some of these scholarship and

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proposal writing books online as ebooks

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that you can check out or read. So I know

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nobody likes to come over here and read

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books the old-fashioned way anymore, so

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we are buying more and more and putting

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them online as well as we can. When it

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comes to writing just a very few tips

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make sure, and I can't emphasize this

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enough, make sure you follow the funder's

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guidelines meticulously. You know print

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them out, read them, highlight them, make

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sure you fully understand what it is

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they say they want included in the grant.

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And make sure you address every single

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thing they say they want to see. This is

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not the time to be super creative in

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terms of what you come up with. Give them

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what they want. That's really very very

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important. So if they say they want to

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hear about sustainability of your

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project - you make sure you address that.

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And sometimes those opportunities can

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have a lot of very specific details that

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they want you to touch on. They can even

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be so detailed as to tell you what font

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they want the proposal in. What size

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they want the proposal in, etc. So you

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need to make sure you know all of that

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you don't want your proposal getting

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thrown out because you know you went

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over the page limit. Or you use the

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wrong font. Federal agencies in

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particular receive so many applications

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that those first cuts are just based on

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technical things. So they're not even

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going to read to see if you gave them a

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great proposal that's just one page over

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the limit. Just one page over the limit

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you you don't make it to the first cut.

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So there are a few exceptions but

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generally don't put yourself into that

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category of getting cut because you know

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of a technical issue. Also if you can get

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someone else to proofread it for you.

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Because by the time you have written the

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proposal you'll be pretty sick of the

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topic, and you will have been staring at

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it for probably way too long. And a lot

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of things that are problematic you may

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not see at that point. So if you can

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let someone else look at it. It also

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helps too if you get someone who's a

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little bit out of your field. They'll be

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able to catch any jargon that you may be

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using that might be unfamiliar to the

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funder. So that's another thing to keep

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in mind. Once you submit your proposal

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again you have to remember there are

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people on the other end. It does not

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usually hurt to call, inquire (that) they got

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your proposal. That doesn't work with

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some of the larger funding agencies

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although even the larger funding

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agencies have program officers that can

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be very helpful.

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Many of the program agencies too will

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even read drafts of proposals.

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Like I've been working with a project

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here on campus called "The Colored

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Convention Project" and we worked very

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closely with the program officer for the

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National Endowment for Humanities who

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read our draft, gave us positive feedback

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critical feedback, and then you know we

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went back to the drawing board. And most

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of the agencies can do that if you give

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them enough time. So that's another thing

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to take advantage of. And you know be

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nice to the person on the other end!

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Remember again it's people-to-people. So

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you may be stressed out but try not to

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pass that stress on to the person on the

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other end of the phone or email. Lastly,

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don't get discouraged if you don't get

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that funding. There are a lot of really

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excellent proposals that don't get

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funded. And it's really just a matter of

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or it can be a matter of volume. There's

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just so many good proposals, limited

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dollars, yours may not get funded. If that

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happens, by all means contact them. Thank

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the agency for considering your proposal.

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And ask them if you can get feedback

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that on your proposal. A lot of times

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you can go through, read the feedback and

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decide whether or not you should reapply.

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And sometimes the funder will encourage

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you to reapply. If they encourage you to

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reapply by all means do so. Because there

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are a considerable number of grant

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proposals that don't get funded the

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first time but they do get that

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consideration the second time. So you

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know, don't give up. On the other hand if

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you go through and you read the comments

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and you see that your work is just way

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out of scope of the funder you know

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don't waste your time don't waste their

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time. Move on to another organization and

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start over. So

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and if you do get the grant and it's

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positive you know by all means you'll

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start to work on developing that

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relationship. You write a letter of

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thanks. (Actually you do that whether or

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not you get funded or not.) And then you

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work with the the funder to make sure

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that the award gets proper recognition.

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Because you know the funding agency

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likes to be appreciated and know that

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their work is appreciated. So that's

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basically where you take it from there.

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So I think that is the process from idea

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to submission. And let us now jump into

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the databases and see where you can take

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