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Grants Research



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**In the next 15-20 minutes,
we'll learn about three...**

- **resources at Pratt's *Grants Collection*.**
- **types of searches at *Foundation Directory Online*.**
- **categories for research and data gathering at *GrantSpace*.**

***And most importantly...email or save
your search results!***



What is the Grants Collection?

<http://www.prattlibrary.org/locations/grants/>

- **Books, Newspapers, and Magazines**
- **Websites, Databases, and Guides**
- **Classroom, Group, and Individual Research/Instruction**



Foundation Directory Online

<http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/>

- **Power Search:** “I’m use to search engines.”
- **Grantmakers:** *“I’m new to FDO and foundation funding research.”*
- **Grants:** *“I like to find new grant opportunities, and know my competition.”*



Foundation Directory Online

Power Search Techniques

Using Keywords:

- Use OR or AND to broaden or narrow your results to “Grantmakers” and “Grants”
 - Grantmakers: Use “Geographic Focus” to narrow your results to “Fields of Interest.”
 - Grants: Use “Recipient State/Country” or “Recipient City” to narrow your results to “Recipient Type” AND/OR “Subject.”
- “Search Within Results” to further narrow down your results.



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“Grantmaker” Search Techniques

- Use the “controlled vocabulary” to locate terms about your organization, project, initiative, etc....
 - *Geographic Focus’ “View Index”* (i.e. Maryland AND/OR National)
 - *Fields of Interest’ “View Index”*
- Narrow down your results even further in each profile’s “Limitations” and “Chart Grants.”



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“Grants” Search Techniques

- Use the “controlled vocabulary” to locate terms about your organization, project, initiative, etc....
 - *Recipient Location: State/Country or City’s “View Index”*
 - *Subject or Recipient Type’s “View Index”*
- **Narrow down your results: *Year Authorized***



GrantSpace

<http://grantspace.org/>

- **Subjects: “Browsing for your cause”**
- **Skills: “Combining your nonprofit’s demands with staff development”**
- **Knowledge Base: “Finding the quick answers and referrals”**



If you like grants research, try the..

- **Maryland Governor's Grants Office**
<http://grants.maryland.gov/>
- **The Foundation Center, Washington DC**
<http://foundationcenter.org/washington/>
- **Association of Baltimore Area Grantmakers**
<http://www.abagrantmakers.org/>
- **Maryland Nonprofits**
<http://marylandnonprofits.org/>
- **Association of Fundraising Professionals-MD Chapter**
<http://www.afpmaryland.org/>



Thanks for coming!

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Enoch Pratt Free Library/State Library Resource Center

<http://www.prattlibrary.org/locations/grants>

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