Find Funding – An Overview

Pivot and other aids can help bring order to the quest to find funding. Understanding some of the basics about funding sources can also help organize search efforts.

**Advertised Funding Opportunities** -- On behalf of the university community, the university subscribes to:

- **Pivot** ([http://pivot.cos.com/](http://pivot.cos.com/)) – Pivot offers a reliable, searchable database of advertised funding opportunities, with an alert option. It aims to be a one-stop service for those seeking funding from sources – such as government agencies – announcing money for specific purposes. The alert option is recommended for anyone with an on-going interest in funding opportunities. Those looking for foundation funding will need to do additional searching. Those intent on getting all information from a particular agency should additionally track announcements from that agency.

  **If not yet registered, go to [http://www.lib.utexas.edu/indexes/titles.html?id=95](http://www.lib.utexas.edu/indexes/titles.html?id=95) (on the libraries databases page)**

- **Foundations** – We expect foundations to have money but not necessarily to advertise its availability. Those seeking funding typically look for a foundation with matching interests and sufficient funds. The [Foundation Center](http://fdncenter.org/) is known as the nation's leading authority on philanthropy. Our premium access to their products is through the [Regional Foundation Library](http://ddce.utexas.edu/foundationlibrary/), part of the university’s Division of Diversity and Community Engagement, with on-site access to valuable tools for investigating foundations and their activities. (512)-475-7373 / located at 1009 East 11th Street.

- **Agency Specific Information** – Those familiar with the best funding sources for their discipline or department will likely want to keep a special watch on announcements from those sources.

- **Associations** – provide funding for a variety of member and non-member activities.

- **University of Texas at Austin Services** – Guidance, support, and policies on working with funding agencies are offered through the [Office of the Vice President for Research](http://www.utexas.edu/research/). FAC 426; (512)-471-2877.

**Additional addresses for web-based information are available here:**

- [http://www.lib.utexas.edu/engin/funding_guide.html](http://www.lib.utexas.edu/engin/funding_guide.html)

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