Jump-Starting Brownfields Redevelopment with Foundation Funding

In this time of tight program budgets and nervous lenders and investors, charitable foundations are still putting money into efforts to enhance a community’s capacity in the redevelopment process. Accessing these private funding sources requires a different approach than seeking state or federal funding. This outline of the process of reaching out to foundations will help you identify the right potential funders and approach them most effectively.

**Foundation Information Resources**

- Council on Foundations: [http://www.cof.org/content/resources](http://www.cof.org/content/resources)
- The Foundation Center: [http://www.foundationcenter.org/](http://www.foundationcenter.org/)
  - (Library locations for Foundation Center database): [http://grantspace.org/Find-Us](http://grantspace.org/Find-Us)
- Guidestar: [http://www.guidestar.org/Home.aspx](http://www.guidestar.org/Home.aspx)
- The Grantsmanship Center: [https://www.tgci.com/](https://www.tgci.com/)
- Ohio EPA/SABR web site for funding resources: [http://epa.ohio.gov/derr/SABR/CommunityBrownfieldFundingResources.aspx](http://epa.ohio.gov/derr/SABR/CommunityBrownfieldFundingResources.aspx)