Key Resources for Grant Writing

1) Start at the Foundation Center (http://www.foundationcenter.org/)
   - Online tutorials, webinars for proposal writing
   - Philanthropy News Digest (daily RFP bulletin, news)
   - Search by Form 990
   - The Foundation Directory Online Professional*
     - Single-best resource for foundation searches
     - Search by funding region, area of interest, types of support, asset size, etc.
     - Subscriptions start as low as $195/year
     - Cooperating collections available for FREE at following locations:
       • Boston Public Library (Social Services Reference Dept)
       • Leominster Public Library
       • Oak Bluffs Public Library
       • Berkshire Athenaeum
       • Springfield City Library
       • Cape Cod Community College (Wilkens Library)
       • Worcester Public Library (Grants Resource Center)

2) Search annual reports of similar organizations (size, region, mission)

3) Utilize guidelines from Associated Grantmakers of Massachusetts (www.agmconnect.org)
   - Common proposal, report formats
   - Proposal writing tips (http://www.umass.edu/research/ogca/proceds/dev.htm)

4) Consider events and courses offered by Association of Fundraising Professionals Massachusetts Chapter (AFP MA) (http://www.afpmass.org/)

5) Browse the following websites:
   - Guidestar (http://www.guidestar.org)
   - Foundation Search (http://www.foundationsearch.com/)
   - Independent Sector (http://www.indepsec.org)
   - National Center for Charitable Statistics (http://nccs.urban.org)
   - Non-profit Fundraising and Grantwriting (http://www.mapnp.org/library/fndrsng/np_raise/np_raise.htm)
   - Chronicle of Philanthropy (http://philanthropy.com/section/Home/172)

6) Contact us with questions!

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