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# FINAL

Topic: Nonprofit Sources of Revenue

# You Must Frame Your Answer As a Question!

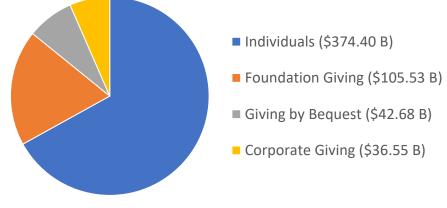
"What is....?"



# Final

# This source of revenue led the pack for nonprofits in 2022

#### 2023 Charitable Giving Statistics Total Giving = \$557.16 Billion



Source: Giving USA



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#### Foundation/Corporate Grants Rarely Support

- Staff, especially admin staff
- Debt relief (some exceptions)
- General operating expenses
- Emergency funding to stay in business
- Nonprofit agencies with less than two years of operating history
- Faith-based agencies that require participation to receive services
- Moving targets (ask for one thing, then make significant changes after award is made)
- Rare Exceptions: Disaster Relief, Capacity-Building, Seed Money

#### Federal/State/Government Funding Rarely Supports

- Smaller nonprofits
- Debt relief

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### Start with what your agency really needs:

- To understand the needs of the community you serve
- To understand how grants actually work
- To understand how to set priorities for your agency's grant program based on this information

### THEN:

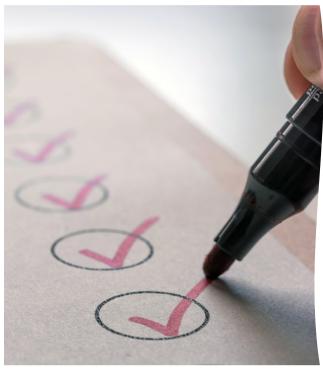
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• Search for grants!



# BUT BEWARE OF CONFUSING ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITIVENESS





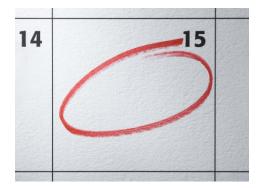
# To Break Analysis Paralysis

- Make your list and check it twice
- Use a prioritized series of questions to ask



# DEADLINES

- Is the deadline feasible, given the status of the program?
- Is the deadline feasible, given the time needed to prepare a competitive grant?
- Is there time to produce all required attachments, including collaborative agreements & financial documentation?





# MONEY

- Grant award amount or range?
- Match required?
- Multi-year grant award?
- How is the grant awarded reimbursement or advanced payment?







#### ELIGIBILITY vs. COMPETITIVENESS

- Meeting bare minimum or funding close fit with specific focus areas?
- Number of grant awards high enough to be successful?





#### GRANT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

 Internal capacity to manage required tracking and reporting on outcomes and budgeted expenses while continuing with ongoing operations and mission?



# It's not about writing all the grants, instead focus on writing the RIGHT grants.



# How can I help determine if a grant opportunity is the right fit or not?



Free resource!

### https://haydayservices.com/#grant-decision-guide



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