

## How do I find funding opportunities?



Pivot is a large database of federal and private funding opportunities and an expertise database to help you identify potential collaborators within MU. In Pivot, you can conduct a search to get current funding opportunities and save that search so that you receive weekly alerts as new funding opportunities are added. Pivot is a subscription service provided free of charge to all faculty and staff by the MU Office of Research.

How to access?

1. Start by visiting [pivot.proquest.com](https://pivot.proquest.com)
2. Create an account by clicking **Sign Up** and then **Use Email Address/Create Password**
3. Enter your university email account, along with basic personal information, and be sure to choose **University of Missouri—Columbia** as **Affiliated Member Institution**

Search tips:

- ✓ Use “Advanced Search”
- ✓ Type in “Missouri” for the “Activity Location”
- ✓ Type in “United States” for “Citizenship or Residency”
- ✓ Use the “Keyword” area to search for and select relevant key words



Foundation Directory Online provides a searchable database of 156,000+ U.S. foundations. Foundation Directory Online allows users to search by keyword and geography. Foundation Directory Online is a subscription service provided free of charge to all faculty and staff by MU Advancement, Office of Foundation Relations.

How to access?

1. You gain entry to the directory through your IP address; you do not create your own account.
2. If you are in a campus office, go to the [MU Office of Sponsored Programs Administration](#) and click on “Go to Foundation Directory Online” at the bottom of the page.
3. If you are off campus, first connect to MU via VPN using the \*employee profile. Once connected, go to the [MU Office of Sponsored Programs Administration](#) and click on “Go to Foundation Directory Online” at the bottom of the page.

Search tips:

- ✓ Use “Advanced Search”
- ✓ Search by County in “Geographic Focus”
- ✓ Type in relevant search terms in “Subject Area”

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### FREE lists, email alerts, and newsletters

- ✓ Check the **Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) Grant Opportunities Journal**. See [here](#).
- ✓ Check the monthly newsletter from the **Missouri Foundation for Health's MOCAP** program. See the monthly list [here](#) or sign up for the newsletter [here](#).
- ✓ Sign up to receive the **Grant Station Insider** weekly email blast. See [here](#) (right side of page).
- ✓ Check the **Rural Health Information Hub** funding opportunities list. Browse the list [here](#) or sign up for the weekly newsletter [here](#).
- ✓ Check foundation opportunities at **Philanthropy News Digest**. Browse the list and sign up for the newsletter [here](#).
- ✓ Sign up for newsletters from federal agencies that are relevant to your work, such as the following:
  - [US Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture \(NIFA\)](#)
  - [US Department of Agriculture, Agriculture and Marketing Services](#)
  - [US Department of Agriculture, Rural Development](#)
- ✓ Search **Fundsnet Services** [here](#), a free grant directory that is searchable by program area.

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### Explore local sources

- Local companies (e.g., Dollar General, Aldi, Wal-Mart, local banks)
- Local United Way chapters
- County or regional community foundations (See the Alliance of Missouri Community Foundations at <https://www.allmo.org/>)
- County Children's Services Funds
- Fraternal associations (e.g., Elks, Shriners)
- Junior Leagues (e.g., Junior League of Springfield, MO; Junior League of Kansas City)
- Electric cooperatives (See the [Missouri Association of Electric Cooperatives](#))
- Local solid waste districts (See list of districts [here](#))

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### Questions?

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Check out more resources on [MU Extension Way / Resource Development](#)