

Finding funding for your Math Teachers' Circle

Existing funding

- Existing grants to school district or college/university
- Individual investigator grants from NSF: broader impacts
- Departmental discretionary funds

In-kind and volunteer support

- Types of support
 - Space
 - Materials
 - Food
 - Prizes/goodies
 - Graduate or PD hours
 - Staff support
 - Web space
 - Matching funds
- Sources
 - College/university: department, Dean's office
 - School or school district: principals, PD coordinators, math coaches/specialists
 - Local businesses: copy store, office supply store, bookstore, restaurants...
 - Student assistants: web design, some logistics, data entry...

Grant or donation prospects

- Usually too small for an independent proposal to NSF or other national funders
 - Works well as a component of a larger proposal
- Typical funders are at the local or state level:
 - Foundations (including community foundations)
 - Local businesses
 - Corporate branch offices
 - Institution-internal grants
 - State-level grants: Improving Teacher Quality, state Math-Science Partnerships
- Typically route through Sponsored Programs or Development Office
- Consider creative approaches, e.g., "sponsor a teacher," local charitable giving days

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