

New Software Simplifies Grant Application Process

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Overwhelmed by the whole grant process? Don't worry. There's a new software program designed to relieve the stress of applying for and managing grants.

GrantWave Professional, developed by Mindcoast, LLC (Bend, OR), not only simplifies the grant-writing process, but also helps track grants, manage programs and keep tabs on grantor, board, staff and volunteer relationships. "One of the most damaging things I witnessed while working in the nonprofit sector was the missing of grant reporting deadline," says Mindcoast Director Melissa Carter. "This wasn't due to incompetence or a lack of care, but rather development staff turnover and the lack of a comprehensive grants system. With GrantWave, we want to give nonprofits the same sense of continuity, control, and a sense of overall grants funding that is currently available with donor management systems."

The American Lung Association of Oregon participated in a pilot program for the new software. "Our organization applies for many grants from corporations, nonprofit organizations and foundations each year, and keeping track of contact information, deadlines, budgets, and previous submissions can be a daunting task," says Asthma Program Coordinator Patrick Callahan. "GrantWave has come to our rescue by providing order to our grant-making process."

Callahan says the software is easy to use and saves hours of time by providing a central database for grant information. "We no longer need to search through multiple filing cabinets to

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find the information we need," he says. "I'd highly recommend this program to anyone who is seeking to cultivate their grant program." For more information, visit www.mindcoast.com .

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