

Getting Funding For The *Candida* Genome Database

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Getting Started

- Find and engage the community
 - who are they?
 - what do they do?
 - *what do they need?*
- Find and engage the funding agency
 - They *must* support the community that you want to create the database for.
 - Speak to the program officer - discuss specifics.

Make a Plan

- Database + software
 - what will you use?
 - agencies should not be funding ground up development anymore.
- Budget
 - can you use a fraction of an existing DBA or Sysadmin?
 - \$250K will only get you ~2.5FTEs

The Grant Application

- Specific Aims
 - circulate these in the community you will support
- Ask one or two trusted researchers to read the proposal (they will need adequate time to do so).
- Get as many letters of support as possible
 - have them be specific about how the database will help their research, and how their research is funded.

Ongoing Concerns

- Keep in touch with your community
 - attend their meetings.
 - publish regularly if possible (~1/yr), to advertise the database
 - offer community services
 - listen to your users
- Remember - if the community stops needing you, then the agency will stop funding you. You serve the community.