Where is the Money? How does the Money come?

Sources	Examples	Benefits	"But"
Public	Federal, state, local agencies (HUD, DHS, MOCI)	 Will provide "base support" for ongoing services and some projects in community Can be more consistent funding than foundations, often multi year 	 Expect to see quantifiable service outcomes, all costs unitized per # of services negotiated in contracts; typically an insufficient "indirect rate" to cover admin costs. Need line of credit or cash reserve to withstand cash flow problems
Foundation	Community foundations Family: Ford, Rockefeller, Haas Emerging Family: Lawrence Lowe, Castellano Corporate: Wells Fargo, Intel Conversion: CA Wellness	 Will support infrastructure investments in projects (such as capitol, administration, and fund development). Make 2-4 year "investments" in organizations and community causes. Community Foundations often "seed" promising organizations and projects. 	 Unless you reach 'institutional status" do not expect annual funding for continuing programs. Winning a new foundation grant can take more than a year to cultivate, propose, and be awarded. Each foundation is 'uniquely personal'.
Corporate Giving and Public Affairs	I.e., Kaiser, Chevron, Applied Materials, Adobe Systems, Microsoft	 Will give money for events that can typically be used as unrestricted support. Will underwrite certain costs of a project (i.e., computers) 	 Need to demonstrate a base of support or reaching an audience that matches corporate marketing goals. Sponsorship gifts are usually below \$5,000 unless you are a major institution. Donation cycles can be erratic
Individual donors	Annual donors Major donors Planned Gifts	 Typically unrestricted support Can provide sustaining gifts at increasingly larger amounts 	 Requires ongoing training of staff and board members for solicitations Requires significant investment of time and \$ to cultivate strong donor base Major donors need to see track record.
	Special events	 When successful, they bring in significant amount of unrestricted \$ Excellent opportunity for identifying and cultivating prospective donors Volunteer opportunity 	 Can often make minimal profit (should have a business plan) Highly staff and volunteer intensive May undercut the gift levels of some donors.
Earned Income	Client fees Products/services sold Rental of space	 Can become a steady ongoing revenue source Often strengthens fundraising position with other sources. Can strengthen client and donor relationship with organization 	 May require extensive business planning May overtake the mission or primary programs of the organization Usually requires up-front commitment of capital, and staff time.

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