



A Funders Guide to Supporting Advocacy: Rules for Private and Public Foundations

Wednesday, December 8, 2004, 9:30am-12:30pm
The Gifford Foundation

100 Clinton Square (126 N. Salina St.) Syracuse NY
Lower level conference room. Parking available on site.
\$25 members, \$40 for nonmembers (includes refreshments)

Learn the advocacy rules for private and public foundations.

The Alliance for Justice, Washington, DC, the premier source for information and training on the federal rules for foundation support of advocacy, is conducting a special program for upstate funders. Liz Towne, Acting Director of Advocacy Programs, and Abby Levine, Counsel, experienced attorneys and trainers, will cover the rules for private and public foundation grantmaking involving public policy work.

This interactive session, with ample time for Q&A, will cover such topics as the Internal Revenue Service definitions of public and private foundations and

- o The 501 (h) election, which provides clear guidelines for public foundations and grantees of private foundations that wish to engage in lobbying
- o Definitions of direct and grassroots lobbying
- o Lobbying spending limits
- o Activities that are exceptions to the definitions of lobbying, including those in which private foundations may engage
- o The rules for private foundation grants to nonprofits that lobby, including general support, specific project, and multi-year grants
- o The rules for public foundation grants earmarked for lobbying, as well as for general support or specific project grants that include lobbying activities
- o Grant agreement language that permits support for policy work but protects the foundation's status

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