Revisiting MCFA's Definition of a Community Foundation

Community Foundations
- specialize in helping individuals, families and businesses plan and carry out their charitable giving; and in building endowments to serve their regions' changing needs.
- build and strengthen philanthropy - and thus, communities - by making it simple and cost-efficient for individuals, families and businesses to establish philanthropic funds and to learn about and invest in the needs of their communities
- are permanent sources of philanthropic dollars; they specialize in building civic endowments to serve their regions' changing needs.

All members have achieved or are committed to achieve national standards set by the Council on Foundations.
## Definitions of Community Foundations

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<th>Council on Foundations</th>
<th>National Standard 1</th>
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| A community foundation is a tax-exempt, not-for-profit, autonomous, publics supported, philanthropic institution organized and operated primarily as a permanent collection of endowed funds for the long-term benefit of a defined geographic area. | A community foundation is a tax-exempt, nonprofit, autonomous, nonsectarian philanthropic institution supported by the public with the long-term goals of:  
- Building permanent, component funds established by many separate donors to carry out their charitable interests  
- Supporting the broad-based charitable interests and benefitting the residents of a defined geographic area, typically no larger than a state  
- Serving in leadership roles on important community issues |

Each community foundation:

1. Is officially recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt under Section 501 (c) (3);
2. Meets the public support test under Section 170(b) (1) (A) (vi) as modified by Treas. Reg. 1.170A9(e) (10);
3. Has a governing body broadly representative of the general public;
4. Operates primarily as a grantmaking institution and may also provide direct charitable services;
5. Focuses its primary grantmaking and charitable services within a defined geographic area no larger than three states;
6. Maintains a broad grants program to multiple grantees that is neither limited by field of interest nor to serving only parts of the population; and
7. Is structured primarily as a permanent collection of named funds that carry out the diverse charitable purposes specified by the governing body and donors and has a long-term goal to increase the assets held as permanent unrestricted endowment.

Directions: To meet the National Standards definition of a community foundation, reviewers will applicant’s compliance with each element of the definition.

Key Elements

1.1. Did the board approve of the National Standards definition of a community foundation in the Board Resolution for the National Standards submission?
1.2. Is the community foundation in good standing with the IRS?
1.3. Is the community foundation currently compliant with all required annual corporation and trust document filings in the state(s) where it is incorporated and operates (if different states)?
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MARCH
AFP Icon 2020
Sun, Mar 29 - Tues, Mar 31

APRIL
Frederick Nonprofit Summit
Presents Vu Le
Thurs, Apr 2

JUNE
2020 CF Leadership Retreat
Tues, Jun 9 - Wed, Jun 10

CFUnited 2020
Sun, Apr 5 - Tues, Apr 7
2020 Meeting Dates and Locations

- JANUARY 13
  - Charlotte Davis, Rural Maryland Council Transfer of Wealth Study

- APRIL 27
  - CFUnited 2020
  -Vu Le

- JUNE 22
  - 2020 CF Leadership Retreat
  - CFE Fundamentals in June/July

- OCTOBER 19
### MCFA Profit & Loss

**January through October 2019**

**Accrual Basis**

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<th>Ordinary Income/Expense</th>
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<td><strong>Income</strong></td>
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<td>&lt; $1 million</td>
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| $1 – 10 million | $1,050 | • Community Foundation of Harford County  
• Community Trust Foundation, Inc.  
• Community Foundation of Carroll County  
• Chesapeake Charities           | $4,200    |
| $10 - $50 million | $1,500 | • Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County  
• Community Foundation of Howard County  
• Community Foundation of Washington County | $4,740    |
| $51 - $100 million | $2,630 | • Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore  
• Mid-Shore Community Foundation      | $5,260    |
| > $101 million | $3,680 | • Baltimore Community Foundation  
• Community Foundation of Frederick County  
• Greater Washington Community Foundation | $11,040   |
| **Total:**    |       |                                                                                    | **$25,240** |
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