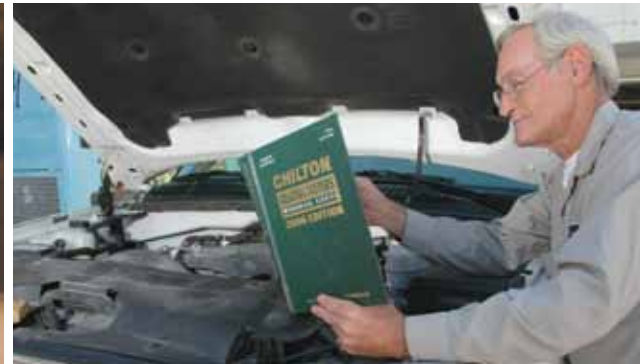


RESEARCH CENTER

Life is a challenge. Let us help.




Whether you need information about a community organization, a plan to start a new business, resources to select a college or tools to find a new job, Tulsa City-County Library's Research Center can help!


Located on the fourth floor of Central Library in downtown Tulsa, the Research Center is home to Tulsa City-County Library's Business Center, Foundation Center and Government Documents department, as well as thousands of reference resources to help students write reliable research papers, assist do-it-yourselfers with auto and small-engine repair, and provide customers with in-depth information on countless other subjects.

The Research Center also offers an extensive online collection of pathfinders, subscription databases and materials for a variety of topics and subject areas including business, education, government and law, history, home and garden, and Tulsa and Oklahoma. Visit TulsaLibrary.org/research to access the Online Research Center.

FOUNDATION CENTER


 To build a better world, you need access to the right tools. The Foundation Center makes it easy to find everything a nonprofit organization or grant seeker needs by providing access to a special collection of print and electronic materials, offering expert assistance from reference librarians, and hosting workshops and special events especially for nonprofit organizations. Foundation Center resources can help you learn how to set up, manage and market a nonprofit organization; locate appropriate funding sources; prepare grant proposals; and organize fundraisers. Visit TulsaLibrary.org/foundation_center for special training opportunities and more information about the Foundation Center.

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

 Tulsa City-County Library is a partial depository for government publications, both federal and state. Navigating through this massive amount of info can be very daunting. Through workshops, a knowledgeable staff and a Government Documents Web page, the Research Center helps connect government information to customers when and how they need it.

Visit TulsaLibrary.org/govdocs for a bounty of information about federal, state and local governments, plus get answers to frequently asked questions about a variety of topics, including the advance directive, birth certificates, child support guidelines, emancipation of a minor, federal laws, garage sales, home-based day care, landlord/tenant issues, labor laws, Oklahoma statutes, passports, professional licenses, social security, unclaimed property, vital statistics, voting and workers' compensation. The site also includes links to government resources pertaining to business and economics, college and careers, immigration, terrorism, travel and tourism, veteran's affairs, as well as numerous other subjects.

BUSINESS CENTER

 The Research Center is the first stop customers should make for all their business needs. The center offers resources to help customers compile a business plan, identify suppliers and manufacturers, research new and existing markets, track industry trends, monitor competitors, develop customer data, find venture capital and research government programs.


Through the Research Center's Online Business Center at TulsaLibrary.org/business, customers can access valuable resources on a variety of topics including starting a business;

consumer market data; patents, trademarks and copyright; company lists and profiles; business news; legal aspects of business; finance/investments; entrepreneurship; industries/global commerce; career and job resources; plus a small-business reference center.

RESEARCH WIZARD


 Research Wizard is a unique fee-based service of the Tulsa City-County Library that has been in operation for more than 30 years. Research Wizard offers information that is customized to meet your business needs and maximize your time and profits. With more than 40 years of combined experience, Research Wizard specialists provide in-depth research to clients who need solutions to specific problems for which they may lack time, resources or expertise to manage. The service is designed to be available when your questions are difficult or complex and may require more than a simple answer. Research Wizard specialists work to ensure customers receive the information they need, when they need it. Research Wizard uses extensive resources from prominent print and electronic publishers that contain material you will not find on the Internet through search engines. Cost estimates are provided in advance. Whether you need assistance with business planning, market research, or developing a new product or service, the Research Wizard's business specialists can help. Contact Research Wizard at 918-549-7431, wizard@tulsalibrary.org or visit ResearchWizard.org.

TULSA AREA HISTORY AND TULSA ORGANIZATIONS AND SERVICES

 The Research Center offers a variety of resources for customers to learn about Tulsa County communities and the surrounding area. The Beryl Ford Collection is the largest

and most significant collection of photographs and artifacts relevant to the history of Tulsa and surrounding area. Visit TulsaLibrary.org/tulsaHistory to access the Beryl Ford Collection, other digitized collections and additional Tulsa history resources. The Tulsa Organizations and Services online directory provides current information about Tulsa clubs, cultural institutions, support groups, government offices, social services, libraries, speakers, meeting facilities and more. Visit <http://opac.tulsalibrary.org:82/> to search the directory.

ASKUS HOTLINE

 When you need to know but can't find the answer, ask a librarian! Customers can text message and instant message their research questions to Tulsa City-County Library's AskUs Hotline in addition to e-mailing, faxing and telephoning. "Whether you need information about a community organization or directions to a local business or the answer to a research question, we're here to answer your questions quickly, accurately and efficiently," said Ellen Cummings, managing librarian of the Research Center.

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