

YorkCounts takes step toward countywide charter school

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YorkCounts' effort to establish a new charter school received a boost recently when the organization received grants totaling \$75,000 from the York County Community Foundation.

The foundation awarded YorkCounts a \$60,000 grant and the foundation's Women's Giving Circle kicked in another \$15,000 to assist them in establishing the new charter school, which would draw students countywide.

YorkCounts has hired an attorney to write the application for the school. The organization's Educational Opportunities group has also begun scouting locations for possible sites.

The regional school proposal emerged from a 2007 Metro-York recommendation. It would attract a mix of students from the city and the county with the goal of a diverse student body.