



GUIDELINES & APPLICATION FOR GATHERINGS

Past, Present, Future
New Orleans, Louisiana
July 28 - August 1, 2026

Gatherings are special interest assemblies for convention attendees. Groups come together to meet and share their mutual interests in collecting. There are no fees; the event is open only to registered convention attendees and requires no pre-registration. These are the guidelines under which gatherings can be organized:

1. Gatherings are allowed based on room availability for the size of the gathering. Since hotel room availability is minimal, UFDC cannot guarantee any gathering will be granted space. Guarantee of room space will not be confirmed until February 2026.
2. UFDC supplies the room only. Any additional arrangements, including AV, equipment, food, and beverages, etc., are the financial responsibility of the individual listed as the organizer on this form and must be arranged through the Director of Convention Services.
3. All rooms must be left exactly as found. Since seminar or workshop rooms must be ready for attendees the following day, the gathering must end on schedule so that hotel personnel can prepare the rooms for the next day.
4. Gatherings will not be scheduled during the time of paid meal events or other events that may conflict with convention attendees' ability to attend.
5. No money will be exchanged or collected during the gathering. Nothing will be bought or sold, auctioned, or raffled.

2026 UFDC 77TH ANNUAL CONVENTION GATHERING APPLICATION
Please mail this application to me at the address below or attach it to an email.

Deadline is December 31, 2025.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Chair Programs/Gatherings

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Name of Gathering: _____

Planned Number of attendees: _____

AV and other requirements: _____

Organizer: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____

Zip: _____ **Email:** _____