

How To Successfully Migrate Your Data From Continental Computers to Gather

	<h2>Specify and Assess Your Migration Needs</h2> <p>When switching to Gather, assess what historical data you need to be migrated to the new system using Page 2 in this guide. Please note: because you're moving to an entirely new system, your migrated data will be displayed differently in Gather, and will take some time to get used to.</p>
	<h2>Establish a Cut-Off Date From Your Old System</h2> <p>Work with your new account manager at Gather to establish a cut-off date where your team will stop entering cases in Continental Computers, and begin entering new cases in Gather. We do not migrate multiple times, so plan accordingly with this date, and be sure to get your trainings completed in a timely manner.</p>
	<h2>Request a Data Backup From Continental Computers</h2> <p>Assess whether or not your data files are stored locally. If your data is stored locally, you may be able to export the data file yourself, with some assistance from Continental Computers. If your data is not stored locally, you'll need to request a data backup file from Continental Computers. Their team generally charges a fee for the latter option and requires you to mail a USB (16 GB or larger). Once you receive the data backup, notify your Gather account manager and they'll walk you through the next steps. This step is crucial, and will require your participation.</p>
	<h2>Be Patient, Data Migration Takes Time + Effort</h2> <p>Data migration requires your collaboration. If you commit to completing this project, data migration can be completed within 2-4 business weeks. The timeline is based upon several factors, including receiving your data backup, the size of your migration; and can not be finished until you stop using your old system.</p>
	<h2>Review + Validate Your Migrated Data</h2> <p>Our team will conduct a mini migration (~15 cases). We need you to review the mini migration and validate the data being migrated from Continental Computers to Gather. Once our data team has your approval, we'll complete the rest of the migration and ask you to review one last time. And just like that, you're ready to go!</p>

What Data Should You Migrate From Continental Computers to Gather?

Note: this guide applies to any businesses that used the software that is known by several different names, including: **Smart Director**, **Director Assistant**, **TDA**, or Continental Computers.

Yes, We Can Do That



Case Data + Vitals

Includes case info for migrated cases (death certificate info, case number, case type, creation date, death date, case name, SSN, gender).



Custom Case Notes

All custom notes for a specific case are migrated as one consolidated custom note that is attached to the respective case in Gather.



Acquaintances or Helpers

Includes and syncs contact info for all related acquaintances or helpers for a particular case (helper name, helper email, helper phone, relationship to decedent, and full address).

Yes, But Please Note



Case Financials

Includes contracts and logged payments for each case. A digital PDF of the case's existing contract or statement is attached to the case's files in Gather.

Unable to Migrate



Existing Accounts Receivable

Includes any existing cases that still owe on their statement or contract.



Case Events

Includes events tied to a specific case such as the arrangement meeting, scheduled funeral services, scheduled viewings, and more.



Rolodex Information

Organizes rolodex info to store contact info for individuals/organizations. Continental Computers doesn't provide a direct export for this.



Case Files

Continental Computers doesn't provide a bulk download of all case files, even when requested. We use a process to attempt to get all the case files but we can't guarantee we can pull them over.