

Top 50 Recipients of Foundation Grants for Public Affairs, circa 1999*

Recipient Organization	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Urban Institute	DC	\$13,340,860	41
2. RAND Corporation	CA	12,495,531	33
3. Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation	NY	11,108,254	30
4. Heritage Foundation	DC	9,980,000	39
5. Brookings Institution	DC	9,029,100	56
6. Center on Budget and Policy Priorities	DC	7,794,360	23
7. Van Andel Institute	MI	6,712,080	1
8. NCB Development Corporation	CA	6,499,913	1
9. Carter Center	GA	6,310,458	24
10. Tides Center	CA	6,285,000	8
11. American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research	DC	6,110,902	56
12. University of Pennsylvania	PA	5,955,000	6
13. Vera Institute of Justice	NY	5,566,772	11
14. Minnesota, State of	MN	5,565,000	4
15. Harvard University	MA	4,475,579	14
16. Missouri Development Finance Board	MO	4,315,620	3
17. Regional Airport Authority	KY	4,230,325	1
18. Community Media, Inc.	DC	4,099,168	3
19. Policylink	CA	4,000,000	3
20. MDC	NC	3,901,853	10
21. Hudson Institute	IN	3,780,458	33
22. National Governors Association Center for Best Practices	DC	3,409,293	12
23. Leadership Network	TX	3,385,000	14
24. Brennan Center for Justice	NY	3,215,000	11
25. Public Affairs Television	NY	3,000,000	1
26. George Washington University	DC	2,839,000	6
27. Council Bluffs, City of	IA	2,826,700	6
28. National Public Radio (NPR)	DC	2,738,138	4
29. University of Maryland	MD	2,634,795	3
30. National Conference of State Legislatures	CO	2,438,708	13
31. Brigham Young University	UT	2,340,000	1
32. Public Agenda Foundation	NY	2,319,307	15
33. National Academy of Social Insurance	DC	2,301,493	5
34. Academy for Educational Development	DC	2,250,000	1
35. Citizens for a Sound Economy Educational Foundation	DC	2,245,000	18
36. North Carolina, State of	NC	2,223,698	3
37. Radio and Television News Directors Foundation	DC	2,215,000	7
38. Ethics and Public Policy Center	DC	2,170,000	8
39. Aspen Institute	DC	2,103,781	5
40. Manhattan Institute for Policy Research	NY	2,103,700	34
41. Center for Governmental Studies	CA	2,099,814	12
42. Virtual School	MN	2,055,000	1
43. K C E T Community Television of Southern California	CA	2,000,000	3
44. University of Maryland Foundation	MD	2,000,000	4
45. National Center for Policy Analysis	TX	1,992,500	20
46. Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation	DC	1,965,000	4
47. Families USA Foundation	DC	1,901,450	1
48. Lynnwood Foundation	NC	1,870,000	5
49. Mozambique, Republic of	Mozambique	1,869,500	9
50. Council for Excellence in Government	DC	1,830,000	9
Total		\$209,898,110	635

Source: The Foundation Center.

*Based on a national sample of 1,016 U.S. larger private and community foundations (including 800 of the 1,000 largest ranked by total giving), grants of \$10,000 or more. For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file. The search set includes all grants to recipient organizations classified in this topic area and grants to other recipient types for activities classified in this topic area. Grants may therefore be included in more than one topic table, e.g., a grant to a university for its arts program is included in Education, Higher Education, and Arts.