

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants for Media and Communications, circa 2005

Foundation Name	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. The Ford Foundation	NY	\$45,996,320	151
2. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	15,101,000	33
3. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	13,295,500	38
4. Lilly Endowment Inc.	IN	12,775,339	8
5. Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	NY	10,759,805	15
6. Open Society Institute	NY	9,131,905	50
7. John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	IL	8,607,500	40
8. The Rockefeller Foundation	NY	7,762,955	18
9. The Annenberg Foundation	PA	7,731,166	16
10. The Kresge Foundation	MI	6,100,000	5
11. The James Irvine Foundation	CA	4,343,000	25
12. The California Endowment	CA	4,277,581	14
13. The Packard Humanities Institute	CA	4,063,900	11
14. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	3,442,454	26
15. John Templeton Foundation	PA	3,252,067	13
16. The McKnight Foundation	MN	3,236,500	11
17. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	3,228,757	9
18. BP Foundation, Inc.	IL	3,205,787	4
19. J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation	IL	3,150,000	1
20. The AVI CHAI Foundation	NY	3,119,119	2
21. The Schumann Center for Media and Democracy, Inc.	NJ	3,065,375	15
22. The Richard and Helen DeVos Foundation	MI	2,975,000	5
23. Carnegie Corporation of New York	NY	2,915,000	19
24. Park Foundation, Inc.	NY	2,714,000	34
25. The Starr Foundation	NY	2,545,000	8
26. The Marisla Foundation	CA	2,535,000	13
27. Skirball Foundation	NY	2,325,000	6
28. Lumina Foundation for Education, Inc.	IN	2,270,000	2
29. The California Wellness Foundation	CA	2,255,000	5
30. The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation, Inc.	WI	2,200,000	16
31. The Nathan Cummings Foundation	NY	2,192,700	16
32. Marguerite Casey Foundation	WA	2,101,000	11
33. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	2,056,729	8
34. Lannan Foundation	NM	2,009,393	25
35. W. M. Keck Foundation	CA	2,000,000	2
36. Yawkey Foundation II	MA	2,000,000	1
37. The New York Community Trust	NY	1,879,600	44
38. W. K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	1,852,452	10
39. Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation, Inc.	IN	1,780,000	3
40. The Joyce Foundation	IL	1,717,700	10
41. Barr Foundation	MA	1,635,000	5
42. Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Inc.	NY	1,605,000	17
43. The Arthur Vining Davis Foundations	FL	1,600,000	7
44. The Merck Company Foundation	NJ	1,590,000	6
45. The Cleveland Foundation	OH	1,585,000	9
46. Surdna Foundation, Inc.	NY	1,510,000	19
47. Merrill Lynch & Co. Foundation, Inc.	NJ	1,350,000	5
48. The Cargill Foundation	MN	1,329,895	7
49. The Medtronic Foundation	MN	1,268,175	12
50. Weingart Foundation	CA	1,255,000	4
Total		\$232,697,674	834

Source: The Foundation Center, 2007. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,154 larger U.S. foundations (including 800 of the 1,000 largest ranked by total giving and the top ten foundations in each state). 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.