

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants for Community Improvement and Development, circa 2006

Foundation Name	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	\$116,991,383	42
2. The Ford Foundation	NY	91,311,247	361
3. W. K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	82,115,896	216
4. Northwest Area Foundation	MN	37,932,835	57
5. Richard King Mellon Foundation	PA	27,364,400	45
6. Charles Stewart Mott Foundation	MI	23,796,651	147
7. The Annie E. Casey Foundation	MD	23,064,997	227
8. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	21,801,550	24
9. The Rockefeller Foundation	NY	21,548,265	34
10. Citi Foundation	NY	21,480,535	368
11. Lilly Endowment Inc.	IN	19,745,000	20
12. The Bank of America Charitable Foundation, Inc.	NC	18,316,639	352
13. The Starr Foundation	NY	16,875,000	16
14. The California Endowment	CA	16,800,873	74
15. The Kresge Foundation	MI	15,595,000	11
16. John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	IL	15,338,600	36
17. The JPMorgan Chase Foundation	NY	13,926,061	324
18. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	13,537,600	53
19. Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation	MO	12,452,675	117
20. The McKnight Foundation	MN	12,451,000	78
21. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	12,267,077	85
22. The Heinz Endowments	PA	12,260,660	71
23. The James Irvine Foundation	CA	11,479,500	53
24. Marguerite Casey Foundation	WA	11,340,498	74
25. The Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation	NE	10,000,000	1
26. The Cleveland Foundation	OH	9,512,908	82
27. Surdna Foundation, Inc.	NY	9,324,500	104
28. The William Penn Foundation	PA	9,262,377	43
29. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	9,188,201	28
30. Community Foundation Silicon Valley	CA	8,676,339	80
31. The Merck Company Foundation	NJ	8,669,172	17
32. The California Wellness Foundation	CA	8,630,000	33
33. The San Diego Foundation	CA	8,433,193	20
34. Evelyn and Walter Haas, Jr. Fund	CA	7,203,000	84
35. Omidyar Network Fund, Inc.	CA	7,025,000	4
36. McCune Foundation	PA	6,977,259	39
37. AT&T Foundation	TX	6,907,969	83
38. The Annenberg Foundation	PA	6,906,552	13
39. Walton Family Foundation, Inc.	AR	6,822,712	14
40. The Community Foundation for the National Capital Region	DC	6,803,159	85
41. The F. B. Heron Foundation	NY	6,575,000	59
42. The George Gund Foundation	OH	6,403,270	43
43. The Michael and Susan Dell Foundation	TX	6,348,128	8
44. General Motors Foundation, Inc.	MI	6,261,350	35
45. The New York Community Trust	NY	6,182,513	150
46. Fannie Mae Foundation	DC	6,025,000	71
47. Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	CA	5,985,344	16
48. The Skillman Foundation	MI	5,777,800	25
49. Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Inc.	NY	5,668,400	41
50. Boston Foundation, Inc.	MA	5,566,437	88
Total		\$860,929,525	4,151

Source: The Foundation Center, 2008. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,263 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.