

Distribution of Foundation Grants by Subject Categories, circa 2007

Subject	Dollar Value of Grants		No. of Grants	
	Amount	%	No.	%
Arts and Culture				
Policy, Management, and Information ¹	\$ 16,896	0.1	226	0.2
Arts-Multipurpose	249,516	1.2	2,556	1.7
Media and Communications	207,399	1.0	1,751	1.2
Visual Arts/Architecture	97,164	0.4	976	0.6
Museums	713,070	3.3	4,461	3.0
Performing Arts	745,437	3.4	8,845	5.9
Humanities	89,108	0.4	909	0.6
Historic Preservation	141,110	0.7	1,482	1.0
Other	34,020	0.2	321	0.2
Total Arts and Culture	\$ 2,293,719	10.6	21,527	14.3
Education				
Policy, Management, and Information ¹	\$ 65,129	0.3	366	0.2
Elementary and Secondary	1,520,442	7.0	11,271	7.5
Vocational and Technical	15,137	0.1	234	0.2
Higher Education	2,076,833	9.6	9,377	6.2
Graduate and Professional	590,893	2.7	2,706	1.8
Adult and Continuing	21,867	0.1	468	0.3
Library Science/Libraries	196,203	0.9	1,182	0.8
Student Services	152,932	0.7	1,011	0.7
Educational Services	304,952	1.4	3,484	2.3
Total Education	\$ 4,944,387	22.8	30,099	20.0
Environment and Animals				
Environment	\$ 1,231,170	5.7	7,923	5.3
Animals and Wildlife	240,634	1.1	1,961	1.3
Total Environment and Animals	\$ 1,471,804	6.8	9,884	6.6
Health				
General and Rehabilitative				
Policy, Management, and Information ¹	\$ 97,933	0.5	621	0.4
Hospitals and Medical Care	1,034,257	4.8	6,155	4.1
Reproductive Health Care	271,984	1.3	1,108	0.7
Public Health	1,315,549	6.1	2,164	1.4
Other	231,501	1.1	1,014	0.7
Specific Disease	783,677	3.6	3,560	2.4
Medical Research	918,237	4.2	2,370	1.6
Mental Health	257,569	1.2	2,698	1.8
Total Health	\$ 4,910,707	22.7	19,690	13.1
Human Services				
Crime, Justice, and Legal Services	\$ 217,725	1.0	2,625	1.7
Employment	133,727	0.6	1,943	1.3
Food, Nutrition, and Agriculture	613,776	2.8	2,222	1.5
Housing and Shelter	295,659	1.4	4,190	2.8
Safety and Disaster	70,661	0.3	638	0.4
Recreation and Sports	288,474	1.3	3,343	2.2
Youth Development	389,489	1.8	5,826	3.9
Human Services-Multipurpose	1,223,054	5.6	18,264	12.1
Total Human Services	\$ 3,232,565	14.9	39,051	26.0
International Affairs, Development, Peace, and Human Rights	\$ 975,900	4.5	3,566	2.4
Public Affairs/Society Benefit				
Civil Rights and Social Action	\$ 268,289	1.2	2,310	1.5
Community Improvement and Development	820,986	3.8	6,275	4.2
Philanthropy and Voluntarism	798,293	3.7	5,169	3.4
Public Affairs	470,585	2.2	3,404	2.3

Total Public Affairs/Society Benefit	\$ 2,358,153	10.9	17,158	11.4
Science and Technology				
Policy, Management, and Information ¹	\$ 19,139	0.1	144	0.1
General Science	236,296	1.1	882	0.6
Physical Science	164,577	0.8	749	0.5
Technology	86,930	0.4	648	0.4
Life Science	128,767	0.6	342	0.2
Total Science and Technology	\$ 635,710	2.9	2,765	1.8
Social Sciences				
Social Science and Economics	116,355	0.5	586	0.4
Interdisciplinary/Other	179,090	0.8	739	0.5
Total Social Sciences	295,445	1.4	1,325	0.9
Religion	\$ 452,925	2.1	5,210	3.5
Other	\$ 78,593	0.4	117	0.1
Total Grants	\$ 21,649,909	100.0	150,392	100.0

Source: The Foundation Center, 2009. Dollar figures in thousands; due to rounding, figures may not add up. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,339 larger U.S. foundations (including 800 of the 1,000 largest ranked by total giving.) For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file.

¹Includes a broad range of supporting activities or organizations by 18 "common codes".

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