

Distribution of Grants by Type of Support and Size of Foundation, circa 2007

Type of Support	100 Largest Foundations				1,239 Other Foundations			
	Dollar Amount	%	No. of Grants	%	Dollar Amount	%	No. of Grants	%
General Support	\$ 1,940,566	10.3	11,859	16.9	\$ 2,168,772	16.8	25,049	17.9
Annual campaigns	20,527	0.1	393	0.6	31,130	0.2	447	0.3
Income development	90,096	0.5	884	1.3	71,327	0.6	1,411	1.0
Management development	414,815	2.2	1,734	2.5	126,665	1.0	1,756	1.3
General/operating support	1,415,128	7.5	8,848	12.6	1,939,649	15.0	21,435	15.3
Capital Support	2,009,333	10.6	3,825	5.4	1,556,759	12.0	10,866	7.8
Computer systems/equipment	80,250	0.4	583	0.8	51,761	0.4	797	0.6
Collections acquisition	40,273	0.2	60	0.1	28,245	0.2	139	0.1
Debt reduction	2,462	0.0	18	0.0	6,786	0.1	66	0.0
Land acquisition	91,415	0.5	101	0.1	28,050	0.2	120	0.1
Equipment	81,026	0.4	489	0.7	106,967	0.8	1,975	1.4
Building/renovations	843,435	4.5	1,487	2.1	862,302	6.7	5,465	3.9
Capital campaigns	348,144	1.8	677	1.0	233,970	1.8	1,622	1.2
Endowments	522,328	2.8	410	0.6	238,680	1.8	682	0.5
Program Support	7,923,695	42.0	23,222	33.1	2,869,440	22.2	36,450	26.1
Faculty/staff development	263,163	1.4	886	1.3	108,229	0.8	1,802	1.3
Program development	6,378,377	33.8	17,976	25.6	2,291,444	17.7	29,423	21.1
Exhibitions	56,804	0.3	214	0.3	57,433	0.4	595	0.4
Collections management/preservation	36,565	0.2	87	0.1	25,000	0.2	200	0.1
Commissioning new works	16,431	0.1	70	0.1	3,073	0.0	78	0.1
Professorships	191,164	1.0	64	0.1	61,905	0.5	179	0.1
Film/video/radio	78,653	0.4	296	0.4	42,525	0.3	427	0.3
Publication	80,285	0.4	464	0.7	43,129	0.3	571	0.4
Seed money	190,595	1.0	317	0.5	77,227	0.6	465	0.3
Curriculum development	170,598	0.9	501	0.7	38,093	0.3	496	0.4
Performance/productions	63,269	0.3	381	0.5	29,414	0.2	655	0.5
Conferences/seminars	134,925	0.7	1,090	1.6	49,847	0.4	1,053	0.8
Electronic median/online services	262,868	1.4	876	1.2	42,122	0.3	506	0.4
Research	1,721,858	9.1	3,430	4.9	497,260	3.8	2,986	2.1
Student Aid Funds	556,991	3.0	2,333	3.3	340,667	2.6	4,078	2.9
Awards/prizes/competitions	100,157	0.5	452	0.6	36,227	0.3	510	0.4
Scholarship funds	156,818	0.8	948	1.4	201,264	1.6	2,336	1.7
Internship funds	11,292	0.1	111	0.2	12,176	0.1	203	0.1
Student aid	56,231	0.3	153	0.2	17,904	0.1	370	0.3
Fellowships	232,493	1.2	669	1.0	73,096	0.6	659	0.5
Other	295,782	1.6	849	1.2	48,130	0.4	639	0.5
Technical assistance	149,879	0.8	502	0.7	20,876	0.2	342	0.2
Emergency funds	848	0.0	9	0.0	1,601	0.0	30	0.0
Program evaluation	145,055	0.8	338	0.5	25,653	0.2	267	0.2
Not Specified	1,552,769	8.2	12,448	17.7	2,404,865	18.6	28,057	20.1
Qualifying Support Type¹								
Continuing	2,555,683	13.5	11,670	16.6	2,961,522	22.9	30,855	22.1
Matching or Challenge	314,694	1.7	560	0.8	71,941	0.6	681	0.5

Source: The Foundation Center, 2009. Dollar figures are in thousands; grants may occasionally be for multiple types of support and would therefore be counted more than once. Percentages are based on total grant dollars and number of grants reported by foundations in the sample. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,339 larger U.S. foundations. For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file.

¹Qualifying types of support are tracked in addition to basic types of support, e.g., a challenge grant for construction, and are therefore represented separately.