The Foundation Center’s mission is to strengthen the nonprofit sector by advancing knowledge about U.S. philanthropy. We are pleased to present for the first time this brief exploration into human services grantmaking and hope that it will help you gain insights into foundation support of human services in Ohio. The report includes statistical charts and data based on the Center’s annual grants sample, and a mini-directory of selected Ohio funders.

**GRANTS SAMPLE**

Each year the Foundation Center indexes all of the grants of $10,000 and more awarded by close to 1,200 of the nation’s largest private and community foundations. Our most recent (2005) sample includes nearly 131,000 grants awarded by 1,154 U.S. foundations totaling $16.4 billion and reported to the Center between October 2005 and September 2006.

Of the sampled foundations, 135 foundations (41 based in Ohio and 94 based outside of Ohio) gave 1,186 grants for human services to Ohio recipients, totaling $55.4 million. The 41 Ohio-based foundations in the sample awarded 955 grants to Ohio recipients, totaling $41.6 million.

**PRIMARY PURPOSE**

Ohio and non-Ohio funders demonstrated largely similar human services funding priorities in 2005. Among the eight human services subcategories, both Ohio and non-Ohio foundations favored giving for multipurpose human services centers and programs, which includes programs for children, families, and special populations, in addition to residential and custodial care. Youth development, which includes scouting and leadership development programs, captured the second largest share of foundation dollars (Figure 1).

**TARGET POPULATION**

The Foundation Center indexes grants for specific population groups whenever the intended beneficiary is noted or clear from the name and purpose of the recipient organization. Among those specified, children and youth benefited from more than 41% of Ohio human services grant dollars. Economically disadvantaged populations followed with nearly 30% of Ohio grant dollars (Figure 2).
For most of the funders in this directory, human services is just one among many areas of interest. The descriptions provided here attempt to capture just their human services interests, but should not be taken as an indication that they devote their grantmaking exclusively to human services.

### Akron Community Foundation
Akron
Web: akroncommunityfdn.org
Description: Supports social service programs like child care, senior citizen centers, volunteer centers, family service agencies, children’s homes, food banks, and emergency relief.
**Selected Grants:**
- $20,000 to Access, for emergency shelter program for homeless women and children
- $10,000 to Urban Ounce of Prevention Services, for after-school program for children and mothers in public housing
- $10,000 to ARC of Summit and Portage Counties, for People Together disability-awareness program

### Eva L. and Joseph M. Bruening Foundation
Cleveland
Web: fmscleveland.com/bruening
Description: Gives priority to grant requests that address services for vulnerable older adults; services for physically and mentally impaired individuals; and social services for the economically disadvantaged.
**Selected Grants:**
- $30,000 to United Way Services of Greater Cleveland, for Social Indicators Project
- $25,000 to Murtle H. Taylor Multi-Service Center, to establish transportation program for psychiatric patients
- $15,000 to Benjamin Rose Institute, for materials that raise awareness about elder family violence

### Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Foundation
Cleveland
Web: cdcf.org
Description: Supports Diocesan agencies, schools, parishes and programs and other faith-based or nonprofit organizations whose missions are consistent with the moral and social teaching of the Catholic Church.
**Selected Grants:**
- $8,000 to Catholic Charities Services-Employment and Training, to purchase computer workstations for employment training clients
- $7,500 to Boys and Girls Clubs of Cleveland, to fund educational programming for at-risk children
- $7,245 to New Life Community, to transition homeless, jobless families to self-sufficiency

### The Greater Cincinnati Foundation
Cincinnati
Web: greatercincinnatifdn.org
Description: Funds organizations that assist individuals and families in building their problem-solving capacities; prevent and/or intervene in serious individual and family problems; address basic and emergency needs for individuals and families; and move individuals to self-sufficiency.
**Selected Grants:**
- $60,000 to Center for Community Solutions, for Ohio Early Care and Education Campaign
- $25,000 to Tender Mercies, for women’s building renovations
- $10,000 to Greater Cincinnati Coalition for the Homeless, for program expansion

### The Cleveland Foundation
Cleveland
Web: clevelandfoundation.org
Description: Support for strengthening families and agencies that deliver critical services to members of the community, also helping them respond to public policy changes and assist the chronically poor.
**Selected Grants:**
- $1,600,000 to Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners, for Invest in Children
- $15,000 to Institute for Creative Living, for experiential-based diversity program
- $10,000 to InterReligious Partners in Action of Greater Cleveland, for Hunger Center renovation

### The Columbus Foundation and Affiliated Organizations
Columbus
Web: columbusfoundation.org
Description: Supports family and individual development, encompassing independent living and non-medical services for the elderly and individuals with disabilities; emergency services, including transitional and other services for the homeless; parenting skills; and school-linked human services for children and adolescents.
**Selected Grants:**
- $40,600 to Godman Guild Association, for increasing access to technology and job search training
- $15,000 to Material Assistance Providers, for meeting increased needs for free furniture and other household items
- $22,000 to Westerville Area Resource Ministry, for Support to Overcome Poverty program

### Deaconess Community Foundation
Brooklyn
Web: foundationcenter.org/grantmaker/deaconess
Description: Guided by the spiritual traditions of the United Church of Christ, provides resources that help organizations empower people to become self-sufficient.
**Selected Grants:**
- $25,000 to Jewish Family Service Association, for case management in the Family Violence Services program
- $20,000 to Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, for 24-hour services, including hospital and justice system advocacy
- $18,500 to NAMI Greater Cleveland, for Multicultural Outreach Project

### Forest City Enterprises Charitable Foundation
Cleveland
Web: forestcity.net
Description: Supports organizations involved with arts and culture, education, health, human services, community development, and religion.
**Selected Grants:**
- $13,500 to Shoes for Kids
- $10,000 to New Life Community
- $4,500 to West Side Ecumenical Ministry

### The GAR Foundation
Akron
Web: garfdn.org
Description: Charitable priorities include education, the arts, social services, and activities that are judged for the general good of the community.
**Selected Grants:**
- $100,000 to Healthy Connections Network, to support Access to Care
- $40,000 to Children’s Hospital Medical Center of Akron, for a challenge grant for Children Who Witness Violence program
- $10,000 to Good Neighbors, for support of Emergency Food Center

### The George Gund Foundation
Cleveland
Web: gundfdn.org
Description: Focuses on the needs of those most at risk of being left out of social and economic transformation.
**Selected Grants:**
- $200,000 to Adoption Network Cleveland, for Adopt Cuyahoga’s Kids
- $50,000 to West Side Community House, for settlement house relocation
- $20,000 to Lakewood Foundation, for Greater Cleveland Family Support Consortium
Key Foundation
Cleveland
Web: key.org/html/A-12.html
Description: Focuses on enhancing economic self-sufficiency in two main areas: workforce development and financial education.
Selected Grants:
$30,000 to Achievement Centers for Children, for capital campaign
$20,000 to American Red Cross, Summit County Chapter, for capital campaign
$10,000 to Dress for Success Cleveland, for program support

Mathile Family Foundation
Dayton
Web: mathilefamilyfoundation.org
Description: Focuses support on children and families that have already exhibited the motivation to succeed.
Selected Grants:
$300,000 to East End Community Services, for operating support
$10,000 to Bikes for the Needy, for operating support
$10,000 to Child Care Choices, for operating support

Nationwide Foundation
Columbus
Web: nationwide.com
Description: Supports organizations that provide relief for the ill or rehabilitation of people with disabilities; assist socially or economically disadvantaged individuals and groups; benefit youth and/or the elderly; help provide jobs for the disadvantaged; and provide social services to families.
Selected Grants:
$10,000 to Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Central Ohio
$9,000 to Urban Concern
$5,000 to Lower Lights Ministries

NCC Charitable Foundation
(National City Bank)
Cleveland
Web: nationalcity.com/about
Description: Supports organizations that enhance educational, economic, and cultural priorities and provide for the health and welfare of all citizens.
Selected Grants:
$366,648 to American Red Cross, Greater Cleveland Chapter, for general support
$50,000 to Beech Acres, for general support
$25,000 to Talbert House, for general support

Osteopathic Heritage Foundations
Columbus
Web: osteopathicheritage.org
Description: Funds projects and programs to improve community health and quality of life and to advance osteopathic healthcare through support of osteopathic medical education and research.
Selected Grants:
$67,348 to American Red Cross of Greater Columbus, to collaborate with American Red Cross of Pickaway County to develop Disaster Safety Network
$46,866 to Pickaway County Community Action Organization, for transportation vehicles for men’s and women’s transitional housing program
$20,000 to Stepping Stones, to establish mediation program for families involved in court/legal-related disputes

The Elizabeth Severance Prentiss Foundation
Cleveland
Web: esprentissfoundation.org
Description: Awards grants for initiatives designed to improve healthcare quality or delivery, for programs that provide access to healthcare to the underserved or indigent, or for medical research.
Selected Grants:
$300,000 to Achievement Centers for Children, for support to low-income families
$50,000 to Das Deutsch Center for Special Needs Children, for disease research
$15,000 to Plan of Northeast Ohio, for enhancement program

The Reinberger Foundation
Cleveland
Web: reinbergerfoundation.org
Description: Committed to enhancing the quality of life for individuals from all walks of life, favoring proposals in the areas of the arts, education, healthcare, and social service.
Selected Grants:
$50,000 to Saint Stephens Community House, for final grant for building, maintenance and equipment
$20,000 toYWCA of Columbus, forYWCA Family Center
$12,000 to Providence House, for Days of Care

The Turner Foundation
Springfield
Web: hmturnerfoundation.org
Description: Created to be both a platform and a catalyst for the improvement of life in Springfield and Clark Counties.
Selected Grants:
$631,000 to Clark County Department of Job and Family Services
$456,286 to Rocking Horse Center
$100,000 to Forgiving Responsible Youth

The Raymond John Wean Foundation
Warren
Web: rjweanfoundation.org
Description: Enhances community well-being and vitality, particularly through grants that help people living in economically disadvantaged communities and neighborhoods.
Selected Grants:
$20,000 to Niles Community Services, for utility payment assistance program
$15,000 to Home Repair Resource Center, for winterization program
$10,000 to Urban League, Warren Trumbull, for Christy House Emergency Shelter

Timken Foundation of Canton
Canton
Description: To promote broad civic betterment by capital fund grants, largely supports colleges, schools, hospitals, cultural centers, social services and recreation, and other charitable institutions.
Selected Grants:
$100,000 to Habitat for Humanity, Greater Canton, for funding for houses
$28,500 to Community Drop-in Center, to purchase van to transport families and food
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TYPES OF SUPPORT

Ohio-based human services funders favored program support, which encompasses program development, conferences and seminars, seed money, and electronic media and online services. And while non-Ohio human services funders favored general support, they were 20 times more likely to provide support for research than were Ohio funders (Figure 3).

FIGURE 3
Ohio foundations directed the largest share of their human services funding in Ohio to specific programs in 2005

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<tr>
<th>Program</th>
<th>General/Operating</th>
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Source: The Foundation Center

Top 20 Ohio recipients of foundations’ human services grant dollars, 2005

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<th>Recipient Name</th>
<th>City</th>
<th>Dollar Value</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>$1,737,000</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>2. Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati</td>
<td>Cincinnati</td>
<td>1,573,100</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Urban League of Dayton</td>
<td>Dayton</td>
<td>1,566,000</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. American Red Cross, Greater Cleveland Chapter</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>1,213,856</td>
<td>19</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Center for Families and Children</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>1,200,000</td>
<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td>6. Bowling Green State University</td>
<td>Bowling Green</td>
<td>1,192,043</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>7. Achievement Centers for Children</td>
<td>Highland Hills</td>
<td>1,034,000</td>
<td>10</td>
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<tr>
<td>8. Boy Scouts of America</td>
<td>Dayton</td>
<td>1,000,000</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Case Western Reserve University</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>863,603</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>10. American Red Cross of Greater Columbus</td>
<td>Columbus</td>
<td>704,405</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>11. Akron Community Service Center and Urban League</td>
<td>Akron</td>
<td>665,000</td>
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<td>12. Cleveland Foodbank</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>636,500</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>13. Wesley Hall</td>
<td>Cincinnati</td>
<td>631,800</td>
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<td>14. Goodrich-Gannett Neighborhood Center</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>630,000</td>
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<td>15. YWCA of Columbus</td>
<td>Columbus</td>
<td>608,600</td>
<td>17</td>
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<td>16. Cleveland Housing Network</td>
<td>Cleveland</td>
<td>607,499</td>
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<tr>
<td>17. Ohio State University</td>
<td>Columbus</td>
<td>555,498</td>
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<td>18. National Trail Parks and Recreation District</td>
<td>Springfield</td>
<td>505,000</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>19. Hattie Larlham Foundation</td>
<td>Mantua</td>
<td>500,250</td>
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<td>20. Starfire Council of Greater Cincinnati</td>
<td>Cincinnati</td>
<td>500,000</td>
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Top 10 non-Ohio foundations giving for human services in Ohio, 2005

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<th>Foundation Name</th>
<th>State</th>
<th>Dollar Amount</th>
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<td>1. Fischer Family Foundation</td>
<td>KY</td>
<td>$1,641,100</td>
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<td>2. Kresge Foundation</td>
<td>MI</td>
<td>1,275,000</td>
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<td>3. O. P. and W. E. Edwards Founda</td>
<td>MT</td>
<td>1,220,000</td>
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<td>4. John Templeton Foundation</td>
<td>PA</td>
<td>1,192,043</td>
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<td>5. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation</td>
<td>FL</td>
<td>782,000</td>
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<td>6. Chase Foundation</td>
<td>IL</td>
<td>586,000</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>7. Annie E. Casey Foundation</td>
<td>MD</td>
<td>372,057</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>8. Rockefeller Foundation</td>
<td>NY</td>
<td>330,498</td>
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<td>9. U.S. Bankcorp Foundation</td>
<td>MN</td>
<td>315,000</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>10. Joyce Foundation</td>
<td>IL</td>
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<td>2. Columbus Foundation</td>
<td>5,329,343</td>
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<td>3. Mathile Family Foundation</td>
<td>4,386,618</td>
<td>39</td>
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<td>4. Turner Foundation</td>
<td>2,176,298</td>
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<td>5. NCC Charitable Foundation</td>
<td>1,463,348</td>
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<td>6. Eva L. and Joseph M. Brueining Foundation</td>
<td>1,357,300</td>
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<td>7. Osteopathic Heritage Foundations</td>
<td>1,327,021</td>
<td>23</td>
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<td>8. Raymond John Wean Foundation</td>
<td>1,287,836</td>
<td>43</td>
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<td>9. Greater Cincinnati Foundation</td>
<td>1,285,846</td>
<td>37</td>
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<td>10. Saint Luke’s Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio</td>
<td>1,243,845</td>
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