

SPOTLIGHT ON HUMAN SERVICES GRANTMAKING IN OHIO

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

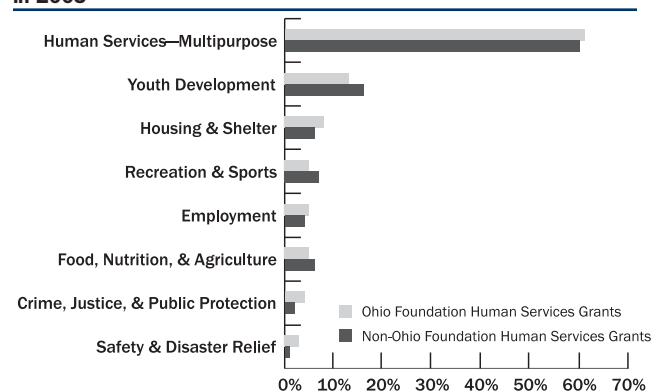
Ohio and non-Ohio funders demonstrated largely similar human services funding priorities in 2005. Among the eight human services subcategories, both Ohio and non-Ohio foundations favored giving for multipurpose human services centers and programs, which includes programs for children, families, and special 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).

FIGURE 1

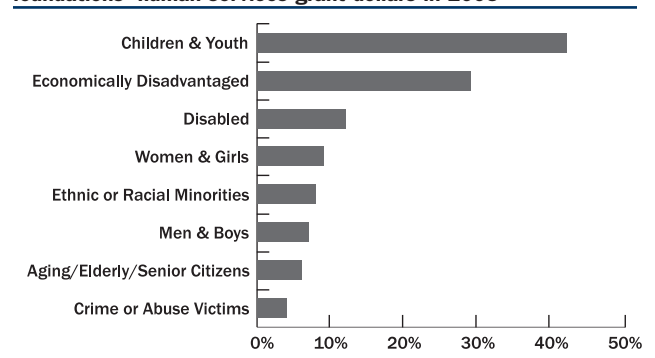
Both Ohio and non-Ohio foundations provided the biggest shares of their giving in Ohio for multipurpose human services activities in 2005



Source: The Foundation Center

FIGURE 2

Children and youth benefited from the largest share of Ohio foundations’ human services grant dollars in 2005



Source: The Foundation Center

Chart includes selected beneficiary groups representing at least 4 percent of all grant dollars. Figures represent only grants awarded to groups that could be identified as serving specific populations or grants whose descriptions specified a benefit for a specific population. These figures do not represent all giving benefiting these groups. In addition, grants may benefit multiple population groups, e.g., a grant for minority homeless children, and would therefore be counted more than once.

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SISTERS OF CHARITY FOUNDATION
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A MINI-DIRECTORY OF SELECTED OHIO FOUNDATIONS FUNDING HUMAN SERVICES

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 Murtis 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: greatercincinnati.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.com/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: foundationcenter.org/grantmaker/reinberger

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 to YWCA of Columbus, for YWCA Family Center

\$12,000 to Providence House, for Days of Care

Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland

Cleveland

Web: saintlukesfoundation.org

Description: Provides leadership and support for the improvement and transformation of the health and well-being of individuals, families and communities of Greater Cleveland.

Selected Grants:

\$50,000 to AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland, for food pantry building project

\$25,000 to West Side Catholic Center, for support of Basic Needs program

\$20,000 to Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland, for community liaison project

Sisters of Charity Foundation of Canton

Canton

Web: scfcanton.org

Description: Focused on issues of social justice relating to the poor and underserved.

Selected Grants:

\$100,000 to ARC of Stark County, for the development of a special needs child care center and intensive wraparound services for children with autism

\$35,099 to Salvation Army of Massillon, for Housing Outreach Specialist in Western Stark County

\$21,000 to FACES of Stark County, for transitioning grandparent caregivers to other service providers

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

\$20,000 to Stark Social Workers Network, to renovate newly-purchased building

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 Forging 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

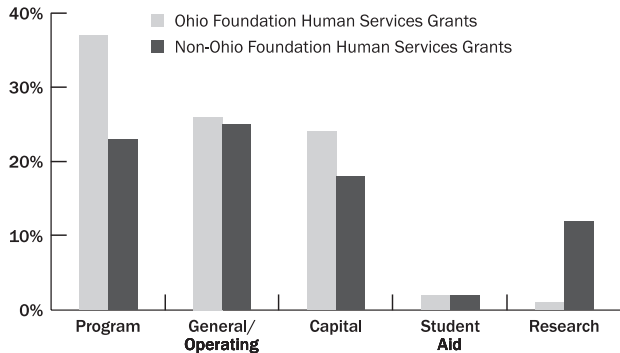
\$15,000 to Home Repair Resource Center, for winterization program

\$10,000 to Urban League, Warren Trumbull, for Christy House Emergency Shelter

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



Source: The Foundation Center

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

Recipient Name	City	Dollar Value of Grants	No. of Grants
1. Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners	Cleveland	\$1,737,000	2
2. Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati	Cincinnati	1,573,100	5
3. Urban League of Dayton	Dayton	1,566,000	10
4. American Red Cross, Greater Cleveland Chapter	Cleveland	1,213,856	19
5. Center for Families and Children	Cleveland	1,200,000	7
6. Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green	1,192,043	3
7. Achievement Centers for Children	Highland Hills	1,034,000	10
8. Boy Scouts of America	Dayton	1,000,000	1
9. Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland	863,603	3
10. American Red Cross of Greater Columbus	Columbus	704,405	16
11. Akron Community Service Center and Urban League	Akron	665,000	6
12. Cleveland Foodbank	Cleveland	636,500	15
13. Wesley Hall	Cincinnati	631,800	2
14. Goodrich-Gannett Neighborhood Center	Cleveland	630,000	5
15. YWCA of Columbus	Columbus	608,600	17
16. Cleveland Housing Network	Cleveland	607,499	8
17. Ohio State University	Columbus	555,498	3
18. National Trail Parks and Recreation District	Springfield	505,000	1
19. Hattie Larlham Foundation	Mantua	500,250	1
20. Starfire Council of Greater Cincinnati	Cincinnati	500,000	2

Source: The Foundation Center.

Top 10 non-Ohio foundations giving for human services in Ohio, 2005

Foundation Name	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Fischer Family Foundation	KY	\$1,641,100	4
2. Kresge Foundation	MI	1,275,000	3
3. O. P. and W. E. Edwards Foundation	MT	1,220,000	4
4. John Templeton Foundation	PA	1,192,043	3
5. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	782,000	4
6. Chase Foundation	IL	586,000	15
7. Annie E. Casey Foundation	MD	372,057	6
8. Rockefeller Foundation	NY	330,498	1
9. U.S. Bancorp Foundation	MN	315,000	12
10. Joyce Foundation	IL	300,000	2

Source: The Foundation Center.

Top 10 Ohio foundations giving for human services in Ohio, 2005

Foundation Name	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Cleveland Foundation	\$8,271,750	122
2. Columbus Foundation	5,329,343	192
3. Mathile Family Foundation	4,386,618	39
4. Turner Foundation	2,176,298	37
5. NCC Charitable Foundation	1,463,348	50
6. Eva L. and Joseph M. Bruening Foundation	1,357,300	41
7. Osteopathic Heritage Foundations	1,327,021	23
8. Raymond John Wean Foundation	1,287,836	43
9. Greater Cincinnati Foundation	1,285,846	37
10. Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio	1,243,845	30

Source: The Foundation Center.



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