

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants for Graduate and Professional Education, circa 2006

Foundation Name	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	\$82,130,930	13
2. The Starr Foundation	NY	56,525,000	17
3. Lilly Endowment Inc.	IN	29,154,672	40
4. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	25,969,109	57
5. Skirball Foundation	NY	18,818,334	10
6. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	NY	18,282,000	17
7. The Ford Foundation	NY	17,500,500	37
8. Donald W. Reynolds Foundation	NV	11,941,241	9
9. The Annenberg Foundation	PA	10,830,500	11
10. The John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc.	NY	10,368,512	10
11. Tosa Foundation	CA	10,011,800	1
12. The Duke Endowment	NC	9,893,423	32
13. Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, Inc.	GA	9,500,000	2
14. Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	CA	9,026,057	15
15. The Russell Berrie Foundation	NJ	8,312,850	11
16. C. D. Spangler Foundation, Inc.	NC	7,500,000	1
17. The Ave Maria Foundation	MI	7,200,326	1
18. Albert and Margaret Alkek Foundation	TX	6,957,500	2
19. The New York Community Trust	NY	6,754,293	96
20. Helene Fuld Health Trust	NY	6,715,933	27
21. Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust	IA	6,291,351	3
22. Wayne & Gladys Valley Foundation	CA	6,152,596	9
23. Willard and Pat Walker Charitable Foundation, Inc.	AR	6,080,000	4
24. McCombs Foundation, Inc.	TX	6,020,000	3
25. The Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation	NE	5,860,456	23
26. The J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation	DC	5,780,000	15
27. The Henry Luce Foundation, Inc.	NY	5,694,770	27
28. Osteopathic Heritage Foundations	OH	5,644,105	12
29. Lied Foundation Trust	NV	5,000,000	1
30. Horace W. Goldsmith Foundation	NY	4,950,000	5
31. Legacy Heritage Fund Limited	NY	4,940,103	15
32. Triad Foundation, Inc.	NY	4,819,021	20
33. Burroughs Wellcome Fund	NC	4,804,889	14
34. The Jon and Karen Huntsman Foundation	UT	4,600,000	2
35. Doris Duke Charitable Foundation	NY	4,596,728	8
36. Carnegie Corporation of New York	NY	4,531,500	13
37. The Icahn Family Foundation	NY	4,300,000	2
38. Windgate Charitable Foundation, Inc.	AR	4,104,908	4
39. Pat and Jay Baker Foundation, Inc.	WI	4,025,000	1
40. The Kresge Foundation	MI	3,950,000	5
41. Citi Foundation	NY	3,660,000	40
42. Robert M. Fisher Memorial Foundation, Inc.	MD	3,650,000	1
43. Community Foundation Silicon Valley	CA	3,644,314	40
44. The Carson Family Charitable Trust	NY	3,620,000	7
45. The California Endowment	CA	3,427,280	14
46. Intel Foundation	OR	3,386,581	56
47. The Michael and Susan Dell Foundation	TX	3,337,611	4
48. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	3,312,000	3
49. Freeman Foundation	NY	3,226,111	9
50. The Goldman Sachs Foundation	NY	3,140,000	6
Total		\$499,942,304	775

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.