

Top 50 U.S.-focused Grants Awarded by Foundations for Climate Change, circa 2008

Recipient	Recipient State	Foundation	Foundation State	Amount	Purpose
1. Kaiser Foundation Research Institute	CA	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	\$8,563,940	For research to expedite study of genetic and environmental determinants of health
2. Smart Growth America	DC	Rockefeller Foundation	NY	5,250,000	Toward advocacy campaign, Transportation for America (T4 America), that seeks to advance more sustainable and equitable national transportation policies to improve lives of low-income and vulnerable people
3. Energy Foundation	CA	Kresge Foundation	MI	5,000,000	Toward grantmaking program to advance energy efficiency and renewable energy as part of effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S
4. Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens	PA	Richard King Mellon Foundation	PA	5,000,000	Toward support of the capital campaign to fund Pittsburgh's Living Building at Phipps
5. Bipartisan Policy Center	DC	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	4,370,000	For labor, agricultural, transportation, and energy analysis relating to federal climate change policy
6. Energy Foundation	CA	Sea Change Foundation	CA	3,100,000	For environmental policy research
7. Bipartisan Policy Center	DC	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	2,630,000	For information and technical analysis related to federal climate change policy
8. Natural Resources Defense Council	NY	Sea Change Foundation	CA	2,355,000	To support launch of National Energy Efficiency Campaign
9. Rockefeller Family Fund	NY	Kresge Foundation	MI	2,100,000	Toward Non Governmental Organization (NGO) participation in Midwestern regional and state-level climate change policy forums
10. Carnegie Mellon University	PA	Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	CA	2,050,000	For equipment and personnel for energy research
11. Educational Broadcasting Corporation	NY	Rockefeller Foundation	NY	2,035,000	Toward multi-platform public broadcasting effort that will seek to heighten awareness of America's infrastructure challenges and implications for climate change and equity and to explore dimensions of and potential solutions to challenges in depth
12. Energy Foundation	CA	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	2,000,000	For general support
13. Energy Foundation	CA	David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	2,000,000	For U.S. Climate Program, through ClimateWorks network
14. National Commission on Energy	DC	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	2,000,000	For general support of programs
15. Bipartisan Policy Center	DC	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	2,000,000	For general support of National Commission on Energy Policy
16. California Academy of Sciences	CA	James Irvine Foundation	CA	2,000,000	To create Arena for Engagement in exhibit Altered State: Climate Change in California in new California Academy of Sciences building
17. Energy Foundation	CA	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	2,000,000	For general support of Western Power Campaign
18. Natural Resources Defense Council	NY	Google Foundation	CA	2,000,000	To support the Center on Energy Efficiency
19. Rockefeller Family Fund	NY	McKnight Foundation	MN	2,000,000	For RE-AMP efforts promoting policies combating global warming
20. Enterprise Community Partners	MD	Kendeda Fund	DE	2,000,000	For Energy Efficiency and Green Building Retrofits Loan fund
21. Clean Air Task Force	MA	Kresge Foundation	MI	1,900,000	Toward expansion of field support and engagement at federal level
22. Energy Foundation	CA	Mertz Gilmore Foundation	NY	1,700,000	For Energy Program
23. University of California	CA	David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	1,500,000	For Agriculture Sustainability Institute at University of California, Davis, through ClimateWorks network
24. Partnership Project	DC	Sea Change Foundation	CA	1,500,000	For U.S. Climate Action Campaign
25. Energy Foundation	CA	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	1,500,000	For general support of U.S. Transportation program
26. Council of State Governments	KY	Joyce Foundation	IL	1,500,000	To organize and convene summit on energy and global warming for Midwestern governors
27. Western Resource Advocates	CO	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	1,325,000	For general support of Energy and Land programs
28. Bureau of Land Management	OR	Wyss Foundation	DC	1,298,000	For retirement of oil and gas leases
29. University of California	CA	Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	CA	1,260,807	To advance scientific understanding of how climate change may affect Pacific salmon. Activities undertaken will focus on synthesizing existing information and data to address suite of questions that are relevant to salmon conservation and management
30. Habitat for Humanity San Francisco	CA	PG&E Corporation Foundation	CA	1,200,000	For PG&E Solar Habitat Program
31. Clean Air Task Force	MA	Joyce Foundation	IL	1,134,000	For renewed support to promote climate friendly coal technologies in upper Midwest

32. American Nonsmokers Rights Foundation	CA	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	1,121,827	To provide rapid response funding to enable communities and groups to support, protect or implement smoke-free policies
33. Energy Coordinating Agency of Philadelphia	PA	John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	1,100,000	For general operating support for work to advance lower-skilled Philadelphians into careers by opening John S. and James L. Knight Green Jobs Training Center
34. Sustainable Conservation	CA	David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	1,050,000	For initiative that supports farming practices, technologies and programs to promote clean air and water, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and improve public health throughout California, through ClimateWorks network
35. Southern Environmental Law Center	VA	Kresge Foundation	MI	1,050,000	For legal and policy work addressing climate change in the U.S. with focus on the southern states of Alabama, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia
36. American Council on Renewable Energy	DC	Silicon Valley Community Foundation	CA	1,015,000	For core support
37. Metropolitan Opera Association	NY	Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	NY	1,000,000	For PBS broadcast and live high-definition transmission into movie theaters of the science opera Dr. Atomic, along with science symposia and ancillary outreach activities
38. Shorebank Enterprise Detroit	MI	Kresge Foundation	MI	1,000,000	To establish Detroit lending program for energy-efficient rehabilitation of vacant foreclosed properties
39. Western Resource Advocates	CO	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	1,000,000	For general support of Rocky Mountain Energy Campaign
40. Council of State Governments	DC	McKnight Foundation	MN	1,000,000	To implement Midwestern Governors' Association Energy Security and Climate Stewardship Platform and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord
41. Building Americas Future	DC	Rockefeller Foundation	NY	1,000,000	Toward activities to revitalize investment in, and raise awareness about, transportation and infrastructure challenges facing cities in the United States with goal of advancing national vision that will lead to policies of social equity, environmental sustainability and economic growth
42. Environmental Defense	NY	David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	1,000,000	To broaden outreach to new constituencies in United States on Reducing Emissions for Deforestation and Degradation, through ClimateWorks network
43. Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency	PA	John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	IL	1,000,000	For energy-related efforts to preserve affordable rental housing in Pennsylvania
44. Public Health Institute	CA	California Endowment	CA	946,932	For Community Action to Fight Asthma, initiative to provide technical assistance and policy leadership to network of asthma coalitions throughout California working to develop and promote policies to improve indoor and outdoor air quality at schools, in residential areas at local and statewide levels
45. Resources for the Future	DC	Smith Richardson Foundation	CT	946,447	For Adapting to Climate Change: The Public Policy Response; to lead effort to explore whether most harmful effects of climate change can be addressed through adaptation strategies. Grantees will assess how climate change might affect public health, agriculture, and public infrastructure and consider number of public- and private-sector approaches to ameliorating its negative effects. The project's findings will appear in book and series of briefings
46. Union of Concerned Scientists	MA	William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	900,000	For general support of Clean Vehicles Program
47. Michigan State University	MI	Herrick Foundation	MI	873,346	For Comprehensive Farm Energy Audit Program, AC/DC-DC/AC Converter System for Gateway Power Grid project, and for Anaerobic Digestion Research and Education Center
48. Houston Architecture Foundation	TX	Houston Endowment	TX	850,000	Toward Solar Energy Pilot Program for George R Brown Convention Center
49. Brookings Institution	DC	Rockefeller Foundation	NY	850,000	Toward initiative to address transportation and infrastructure challenges facing cities in the United States and create national vision that will advance transportation policies that lead to social equity, environmental sustainability, and economic growth
50. Health Care Without Harm	VA	W.K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	800,000	To encourage U.S. health care sector to accelerate transition to community-based, less polluting sustainable food system

Source: The Foundation Center. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,490 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.

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