

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants in the Houston, TX, Metropolitan Statistical Area, circa 1998*

Foundation Name	State	Foundation	Total Dollars	No. of Grants
		Type ¹	Awarded	
1. Houston Endowment Inc.	TX	IN	\$48,860,000	188
2. The Brown Foundation, Inc.	TX	IN	16,080,347	124
3. The Wortham Foundation	TX	IN	9,353,333	52
4. The Cullen Foundation	TX	IN	8,583,332	53
5. The Whitaker Foundation	VA	IN	6,479,562	4
6. The Fondren Foundation	TX	IN	5,642,471	73
7. Shell Oil Company Foundation	TX	CS	4,748,447	70
8. John S. Dunn Research Foundation	TX	IN	4,272,464	26
9. The Robert A. Welch Foundation	TX	IN	3,932,000	73
10. The William Stamps Farish Fund	TX	IN	3,224,200	67
11. McGovern Fund for the Behavioral Sciences	TX	IN	3,167,000	25
12. Conrad N. Hilton Foundation	NV	IN	2,938,711	1
13. The Gordon and Mary Cain Foundation	TX	IN	2,912,500	34
14. The Cockrell Foundation	TX	IN	2,824,400	20
15. The Ford Foundation	NY	IN	2,775,000	4
16. Rockwell Fund, Inc.	TX	IN	2,617,060	119
17. The Annenberg Foundation	PA	IN	2,489,522	2
18. Vivian L. Smith Foundation	TX	IN	2,155,000	25
19. The J. E. and L. E. Mabee Foundation, Inc.	OK	IN	1,850,000	5
20. SBC Foundation	TX	CS	1,633,000	30
21. Robert J. Kleberg, Jr. and Helen C. Kleberg Foundation	TX	IN	1,615,940	4
22. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	IN	1,525,000	2
23. The Weatherhead Foundation	OH	IN	1,500,000	1
24. Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund, Inc.	NY	IN	1,425,000	2
25. Sid W. Richardson Foundation	TX	IN	1,375,000	3
26. Texaco Foundation	NY	CS	1,240,000	29
27. T. L. L. Temple Foundation	TX	IN	1,147,945	7
28. Burroughs Wellcome Fund	NC	IN	945,000	2
29. Communities Foundation of Texas, Inc.	TX	CM	928,501	13
30. The Clayton Fund, Inc.	TX	IN	903,334	39
31. Meadows Foundation, Inc.	TX	IN	899,650	10
32. BP Amoco Foundation, Inc.	IL	CS	690,000	27
33. John P. McGovern Foundation	TX	IN	500,000	1
34. The Kresge Foundation	MI	IN	500,000	1
35. The Buffett Foundation	NE	IN	497,964	2
36. El Paso Natural Gas Foundation	TX	CS	495,828	24
37. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	IN	462,472	2
38. The Charles Engelhard Foundation	NY	IN	450,000	3
39. Walton Family Foundation, Inc.	AR	IN	400,000	1
40. William Randolph Hearst Foundation	NY	IN	400,000	4
41. G. Harold & Leila Y. Mathers Charitable Foundation	NY	IN	378,173	3
42. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	NY	IN	350,000	1
43. The Rockefeller Foundation	NY	IN	350,000	1
44. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	IN	350,000	2
45. Fannie Mae Foundation	DC	CS	305,000	9
46. The Challenge Foundation	TX	IN	281,000	6
47. The Dow Chemical Company Foundation	MI	CS	254,258	10
48. William A. and Elizabeth B. Moncrief Foundation	TX	IN	250,000	1
49. Freddie Mac Foundation	VA	CS	200,000	2
50. The Pew Charitable Trusts	PA	IN	200,000	1
Total			\$157,358,414	1,208

Source: The Foundation Center.

*Based on a national sample of 1,009 U.S. larger private and community foundations (including 800 of the 1,000 largest ranked by total giving), grants of \$10,000 or more. For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file. The search set includes only the largest U.S. foundations awarding grants in the MSA. Grants by smaller local foundations are not represented. Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) are designated by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

¹IN = Independent Foundation; CM = Community Foundation; CS = Corporate Foundation.