

Top 50 Recipients of Foundation Grants for Performing Arts, circa 1998*

Recipient Organization	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Music Center of Los Angeles County	CA	\$20,727,220	35
2. Pittsburgh Symphony Society	PA	12,155,811	42
3. Regional Performing Arts Center	PA	11,300,000	4
4. Pittsburgh Ballet Theater	PA	7,247,250	14
5. Minnesota Orchestral Association	MN	6,947,835	31
6. Juilliard School	NY	6,919,910	17
7. Houston Symphony Society	TX	6,415,000	16
8. Association of Performing Arts Presenters	DC	5,125,038	7
9. Goshen College	IN	5,000,000	1
10. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts	NM	4,954,978	2
11. Houston Music Hall Foundation	TX	4,712,500	6
12. Seattle Symphony Orchestra	WA	4,649,991	7
13. Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall	MI	4,460,595	16
14. New York City Opera	NY	4,053,500	35
15. Chicago Symphony Orchestra	IL	3,967,500	34
16. Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra Society	MN	3,833,659	27
17. New 42nd Street	NY	3,692,500	8
18. Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts	NY	3,353,822	56
19. Minnesota Opera Company	MN	3,290,500	24
20. Dance Theater Workshop (DTW)	NY	3,265,000	16
21. San Francisco Opera	CA	3,222,520	13
22. Chicago Symphony and Lyric Opera Facilities Fund	IL	3,100,000	6
23. Proctor Academy	NH	3,021,000	2
24. Metropolitan Opera Association	NY	2,859,046	27
25. American Music Theater Festival	PA	2,780,000	11
26. South Florida Performing Arts Center Foundation of Greater Miami	FL	2,666,666	4
27. Academy of Music of Philadelphia	PA	2,660,565	6
28. Brooklyn Academy of Music	NY	2,571,304	45
29. John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts	DC	2,516,388	44
30. Portland Opera Association	OR	2,497,325	7
31. Indiana Symphony Society	IN	2,437,000	5
32. Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra	WI	2,391,350	15
33. Meet the Composer	NY	2,320,000	9
34. New England Foundation for the Arts	MA	2,300,000	2
35. San Francisco Opera Association	CA	2,230,000	14
36. Philadelphia Orchestra Association	PA	2,218,160	12
37. Center for the Arts at Yerba Buena Gardens	CA	2,190,000	4
38. San Francisco Symphony	CA	2,155,090	27
39. Levine School of Music	DC	2,072,500	12
40. Seattle Repertory Theater	WA	2,064,500	11
41. Musical Arts Association	OH	2,034,155	23
42. Boston Symphony Orchestra	MA	1,988,583	27
43. PAFW	TX	1,981,566	9
44. Irving S. Gilmore International Keyboard Festival	MI	1,895,000	2
45. Metropolitan Opera	NY	1,887,050	11
46. Atlanta Symphony Orchestra	GA	1,872,450	6
47. Carnegie Hall Corporation	NY	1,865,100	29
48. San Francisco Conservatory of Music	CA	1,833,509	13
49. Lincoln Center Theater	NY	1,828,650	29
50. Wisconsin Conservatory of Music	WI	1,782,500	10
Total		\$195,314,586	833

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 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.

Note: Performing Arts grants are also included in the Arts, Culture, and Humanities table.