

Top 50 Recipients of Foundation Grants for Civil Rights and Social Action, circa 1998*

Recipient Organization	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League (NARAL) Foundation	DC	\$10,540,000	12
2. Childrens Defense Fund	DC	6,782,767	31
3. Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF)	CA	5,410,333	26
4. Freedom Forum First Amendment Center	TN	4,982,824	3
5. Foundation for Womens Resources	TX	4,480,000	7
6. American Civil Liberties Union Foundation	NY	3,630,000	21
7. National Council of La Raza	DC	3,372,400	23
8. Civil Rights Project	MA	3,190,000	8
9. Ms. Foundation for Women	NY	2,508,076	22
10. Rock the Vote Education Fund	CA	2,440,000	1
11. Catholic Legal Immigration Network	DC	2,375,000	5
12. Catholics for a Free Choice	DC	2,340,800	16
13. Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law	DC	2,295,000	11
14. Center for Reproductive Law and Policy	NY	2,284,666	26
15. National Immigrant Legal Support Center	CA	2,210,983	5
16. New York Immigration Coalition	NY	2,190,000	12
17. National Womens Law Center	DC	2,160,000	20
18. American Jewish Committee	NY	2,155,550	30
19. Southern Education Foundation	GA	2,000,000	1
20. Bowie State University	MD	1,910,970	1
21. NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund	NY	1,823,750	10
22. American Center for Law and Justice	VA	1,600,000	1
23. Anti-Defamation League of Bnai Brith	NY	1,550,050	21
24. Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law	DC	1,460,000	4
25. Native American Rights Fund	CO	1,375,000	4
26. National Voting Rights Institute	MA	1,370,000	7
27. Colorado Collective for Medical Decisions	CO	1,357,173	1
28. ProChoice Resource Center	NY	1,353,285	17
29. Alliance for Justice	DC	1,310,000	13
30. New Israel Fund	DC	1,232,800	36
31. Immigration and Refugee Services of America	DC	1,200,000	4
32. National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Education Fund	CA	1,150,000	6
33. National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium	DC	1,110,000	5
34. National Center on Poverty Law	IL	1,096,450	9
35. Focus: Hope	MI	1,093,000	7
36. Womens Environment and Development Organization (WEDO)	NY	1,075,000	2
37. Constitutional Rights Foundation	CA	1,067,000	7
38. Robert C. Maynard Institute for Journalism Education	CA	1,065,000	2
39. Advocacy Institute	DC	1,060,491	5
40. National Council of Negro Women	DC	1,056,666	11
41. Immigrant Legal Resource Center	CA	1,041,500	7
42. National Partnership for Women and Families	DC	1,020,000	8
43. Cornell University	NY	1,015,000	2
44. Catholics for the Right to Decide	Mexico	1,007,000	7
45. Human Relations Foundation	IL	990,000	5
46. Southern Regional Council	GA	952,500	4
47. National Coalition Building Institute	DC	916,000	2
48. National Organization for Women (NOW) Legal Defense and Education Fund	NY	880,000	10
49. NAACP Special Contribution Fund	MD	865,000	12
50. Center for Economic and Social Rights	NY	862,100	7
Total		\$104,214,134	517

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.