

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants for Higher Education, circa 1999*

Foundation Name	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Lilly Endowment Inc.	IN	\$195,473,854	106
2. The Ford Foundation	NY	94,636,579	437
3. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	89,232,667	209
4. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	85,771,978	227
5. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	NY	76,219,990	231
6. The Pew Charitable Trusts	PA	71,522,000	55
7. The Whitaker Foundation	VA	48,241,752	117
8. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	41,604,803	11
9. The Duke Endowment	NC	39,774,896	63
10. W. K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	34,897,752	127
11. The Kresge Foundation	MI	34,025,000	52
12. W. M. Keck Foundation	CA	33,385,000	30
13. Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, Inc.	GA	31,074,564	19
14. Donald W. Reynolds Foundation	NV	30,150,009	12
15. Richard King Mellon Foundation	PA	29,632,000	20
16. Burroughs Wellcome Fund	NC	29,543,252	113
17. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	28,583,420	55
18. The Annenberg Foundation	PA	27,579,736	26
19. J. Bulow Campbell Foundation	GA	25,577,000	12
20. John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	IL	24,040,400	106
21. The Rockefeller Foundation	NY	22,790,014	182
22. The Starr Foundation	NY	21,493,164	97
23. The McKnight Foundation	MN	20,068,528	36
24. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	19,991,000	119
25. Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	NY	19,357,917	72
26. The Henry Luce Foundation, Inc.	NY	18,894,384	79
27. The Spencer Foundation	IL	17,802,925	229
28. The Robert A. Welch Foundation	TX	17,479,844	371
29. Pritzker Foundation	IL	16,918,500	16
30. The J. E. and L. E. Mabee Foundation, Inc.	OK	16,811,271	12
31. The Ahmanson Foundation	CA	14,919,200	89
32. The Freeman Foundation	NY	14,795,412	48
33. The San Francisco Foundation	CA	14,402,143	41
34. Charles Stewart Mott Foundation	MI	13,378,776	42
35. SBC Foundation	TX	12,990,135	111
36. Lied Foundation Trust	NV	12,924,104	12
37. O'Donnell Foundation	TX	12,594,026	3
38. Andersen Foundation	MN	11,825,000	49
39. The Procter & Gamble Fund	OH	11,696,887	133
40. Park Foundation, Inc.	NY	11,486,854	60
41. The Sherman Fairchild Foundation, Inc.	MD	11,304,311	6
42. The George S. and Dolores Dore Eccles Foundation	UT	11,246,875	40
43. James S. McDonnell Foundation	MO	11,171,950	112
44. The Bush Foundation	MN	11,123,662	58
45. Walton Family Foundation, Inc.	AR	10,817,058	31
46. Foundation For The Carolinas	NC	10,816,656	57
47. Howard Heinz Endowment	PA	10,765,053	28
48. Bernard Osher Foundation	CA	10,373,000	14
49. Gleason Foundation	NY	10,331,710	10
50. F. W. Olin Foundation, Inc.	NY	10,158,000	3
Total		\$1,501,695,011	4,188

Source: The Foundation Center.

*Based on a national sample of 1,016 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: Higher Education grants are also included in the Education table.