

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants for Education, circa 2000*

Foundation Name	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	\$902,210,493	211
2. Lilly Endowment Inc.	IN	334,379,351	150
3. The Ford Foundation	NY	155,230,991	646
4. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	NY	146,446,505	366
5. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	NJ	128,260,245	275
6. The Pew Charitable Trusts	PA	118,277,000	110
7. The Annenberg Foundation	PA	108,312,781	105
8. Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, Inc.	GA	108,006,653	26
9. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation	CA	84,853,195	275
10. The Starr Foundation	NY	63,836,940	229
11. The Whitaker Foundation	VA	60,223,253	158
12. Walton Family Foundation, Inc.	AR	54,787,749	151
13. W. K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	51,486,023	179
14. The Duke Endowment	NC	50,471,718	90
15. John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	IL	48,043,942	148
16. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	47,896,000	169
17. Wayne & Gladys Valley Foundation	CA	44,734,840	39
18. Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	NY	40,971,347	226
19. The Rockefeller Foundation	NY	40,732,673	280
20. W. M. Keck Foundation	CA	39,100,000	43
21. Donald W. Reynolds Foundation	NV	37,575,448	20
22. J. A. & Kathryn Albertson Foundation, Inc.	ID	37,133,553	191
23. The Kresge Foundation	MI	35,373,000	55
24. The Freeman Foundation	NY	33,957,443	111
25. The Henry Luce Foundation, Inc.	NY	33,471,068	134
26. Open Society Institute	NY	33,205,970	172
27. The Robert A. Welch Foundation	TX	32,811,000	194
28. Charles Stewart Mott Foundation	MI	32,471,527	98
29. Burroughs Wellcome Fund	NC	31,797,194	135
30. Carnegie Corporation of New York	NY	30,881,000	146
31. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	FL	27,595,910	91
32. Peninsula Community Foundation	CA	27,429,343	323
33. Houston Endowment Inc.	TX	27,167,500	78
34. Ford Motor Company Fund	MI	26,308,777	192
35. The San Francisco Foundation	CA	26,117,793	164
36. Bank of America Foundation, Inc.	NC	25,860,295	352
37. Wallace-Reader's Digest Funds	NY	24,919,000	21
38. The Brown Foundation, Inc.	TX	24,914,390	107
39. F. W. Olin Foundation, Inc.	NY	24,671,123	6
40. The California Endowment	CA	22,414,418	68
41. The Teagle Foundation, Inc.	NY	22,139,400	83
42. Doris Duke Charitable Foundation	NY	21,974,781	27
43. The Spencer Foundation	IL	21,787,012	237
44. The James Irvine Foundation	CA	21,776,070	48
45. The Joyce Foundation	IL	21,601,250	64
46. SBC Foundation	TX	20,379,645	246
47. O'Donnell Foundation	TX	19,763,949	9
48. The Columbus Foundation and Affiliated Organizations	OH	19,388,371	175
49. The John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc.	NY	18,993,979	27
50. The Skillman Foundation	MI	18,655,325	25
Total		\$3,430,797,233	7,475

Source: The Foundation Center.

*Based on grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,015 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. 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.