

Top 50 Recipients of Foundation Grants for Environmental Protection, circa 2001*

Recipient Organization	State/Country	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. Conservation Land Trust	CA	\$98,497,574	9
2. Conservation International	DC	39,254,366	28
3. Nature Conservancy	VA	27,950,884	98
4. Conservation Fund	VA	15,730,433	22
5. Longwood Gardens	PA	13,250,000	1
6. League of Conservation Voters Education Fund	DC	10,118,512	7
7. Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD) International	England	10,000,000	1
8. New York Botanical Garden	NY	9,257,593	56
9. Environmental Defense	NY	8,654,500	38
10. World Wildlife Fund/Conservation Foundation	DC	7,992,324	50
11. Nature Conservancy	GA	7,768,000	12
12. University of California	CA	7,618,225	18
13. Ichauway	GA	7,575,000	1
14. Great Valley Center	CA	7,536,000	11
15. Trust for Public Land	CA	7,044,455	25
16. Strategies for the Global Environment	VA	6,600,000	4
17. Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens	PA	6,088,650	9
18. Humane Farming Association	CA	5,512,000	2
19. Natural Resources Defense Council	NY	5,374,633	49
20. Pace University	NY	5,321,000	4
21. Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund	CA	5,288,000	12
22. Stanford University	CA	5,243,459	12
23. World Resources Institute	DC	5,113,483	38
24. Forest Stewardship Council	Mexico	5,100,000	2
25. Michigan Botanic Garden Foundation	MI	5,100,000	2
26. Oceana	DC	5,035,000	1
27. Plant Science Institute	MO	5,000,000	1
28. Center for Resource Economics/Island Press	DC	4,913,330	14
29. National Environmental Trust	DC	4,900,000	13
30. Union of Concerned Scientists	MA	4,845,500	26
31. Western Pennsylvania Conservancy	PA	4,813,200	17
32. National Council for Science and the Environment	DC	4,792,000	7
33. Jean-Michel Cousteau Institute	CA	4,660,000	1
34. West Michigan Horticultural Society	MI	4,462,836	4
35. Partnership Project	DC	4,320,000	5
36. United States Public Interest Research Group Education Fund	DC	4,250,000	7
37. Resources Legacy Fund	CA	4,239,250	5
38. Cleveland Botanical Garden	OH	4,168,661	16
39. Ocean Futures Society	CA	3,987,000	10
40. Audubon Society, National	NY	3,970,215	29
41. Mexican Nature Conservation Fund	Mexico	3,740,600	5
42. Nature Conservancy of Rhode Island	RI	3,714,000	7
43. Coalition for Utahs Future	UT	3,610,000	4
44. Tides Center	CA	3,551,790	25
45. Vermont Land Trust	VT	3,531,260	3
46. River Network	OR	3,397,624	13
47. Chesapeake Bay Foundation	MD	3,352,500	14
48. Collins Center for Public Policy	FL	3,260,000	7
49. National Wildlife Federation	VA	3,211,380	20
50. Ducks Unlimited	CA	3,080,000	5
Total		\$435,795,237	770

Source: The Foundation Center.

*Based on grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,007 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.