

Top 50 U.S. Foundations Awarding Grants for Education, circa 2009

Foundation Name	Foundation State	Total Dollars Awarded	No. of Grants
1. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	WA	\$ 562,670,744	255
2. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	NY	141,246,900	317
3. Silicon Valley Community Foundation	CA	126,557,196	510
4. Lilly Endowment Inc.	IN	107,908,370	22
5. Walton Family Foundation, Inc.	AR	95,174,646	255
6. Bernard Osher Foundation	CA	94,675,496	155
7. The Weill Family Foundation	NY	85,000,000	1
8. Donald W. Reynolds Foundation	NV	68,130,455	21
9. The Michael and Susan Dell Foundation	TX	60,401,590	115
10. Eli & Edythe Broad Foundation	CA	58,707,095	109
11. Carnegie Corporation of New York	NY	57,776,905	104
12. Lumina Foundation for Education, Inc.	IN	54,948,050	110
13. GE Foundation	CT	46,365,676	382
14. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	CA	46,190,000	116
15. Ford Foundation	NY	44,918,190	153
16. The Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation	NE	43,701,296	106
17. Bush Foundation	MN	41,901,721	22
18. W. K. Kellogg Foundation	MI	39,388,590	71
19. Greater Kansas City Community Foundation	MO	37,458,152	310
20. Omaha Community Foundation	NE	35,642,773	123
21. Robertson Foundation	NY	30,866,916	35
22. The Wal-Mart Foundation, Inc.	AR	29,596,554	150
23. The Kresge Foundation	MI	28,512,593	44
24. The Simons Foundation	NY	27,891,250	151
25. The Bank of America Charitable Foundation, Inc.	NC	27,479,780	461
26. The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	IL	26,993,000	61
27. O'Donnell Foundation	TX	26,129,855	9
28. Warren Alpert Foundation	RI	24,965,500	1
29. The James Irvine Foundation	CA	24,388,822	30
30. The Wallace Foundation	NY	24,052,000	59
31. The Duke Endowment	NC	23,833,500	16
32. Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation, Inc.	IN	22,875,000	9
33. The New York Community Trust	NY	22,206,167	442
34. Boston Foundation, Inc.	MA	22,051,863	346
35. Crankstart Foundation	CA	21,739,778	2
36. New Mighty Foundation	DC	20,273,885	36
37. The Richard and Helen DeVos Foundation	MI	20,141,150	34
38. The Wachovia Wells Fargo Foundation, Inc.	NC	20,074,664	353
39. Knight Foundation	OR	20,000,000	1
40. The Ave Maria Foundation	MI	19,625,878	6
41. L. & N. Andreas Foundation	MN	18,575,408	8
42. J. A. & Kathryn Albertson Foundation, Inc.	ID	18,345,000	7
43. Communities Foundation of Texas, Inc.	TX	18,047,731	122
44. Phoebe Snow Foundation	CA	17,775,000	7
45. AT&T Foundation	TX	17,706,675	184
46. The Sherwood Foundation	NE	17,170,240	102
47. The Annenberg Foundation	CA	17,149,233	51
48. Evelyn and Walter Haas, Jr. Fund	CA	16,733,000	16
49. The Dolese Foundation	OK	16,518,990	2
50. The Shaw "U.S." Foundation	HI	16,131,250	6
Total		\$ 2,506,614,527	6,008

Source: The Foundation Center, 2011. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,384 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.