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Distribution of Grants by Type of Support and Foundation Type, circa 2007

Type of Support	Independent Foundations				Corporate Foundations				Community Foundations			
	Dollar Amount	%	No. of Grants	%	Dollar Amount	%	No. of Grants	%	Dollar Amount	%	No. of Grants	%
General/Operating Support	\$ 3,237,324	18.6	20,268	24.8	\$ 364,430	17.4	6,552	19.2	\$ 435,155	22.2	9,896	30.0
Capital Support	3,108,299	17.9	9,624	11.8	147,066	7.0	1,817	5.3	290,464	14.8	3,194	9.7
Program Support	9,501,259	54.7	37,765	46.2	668,613	31.8	10,933	32.0	531,045	27.0	10,194	30.9
Research	2,111,759	12.2	5,313	6.5	51,302	2.4	400	1.2	44,526	2.3	588	1.8
Student Aid Funds	752,649	4.3	3,941	4.8	88,969	4.2	1,166	3.4	47,373	2.4	1,250	3.8
Other	324,878	1.9	1,155	1.4	7,954	0.4	84	0.2	9,550	0.5	233	0.7
Not Specified	2,236,719	12.9	14,781	18.1	922,714	43.9	15,246	44.7	757,310	38.6	9,948	30.2
Qualifying Support Type¹												
Continuing	4,175,253	24.0	23,431	28.7	791,409	37.7	11,539	33.8	474,427	24.2	7,084	21.5
Matching or Challenge	343,991	2.0	782	1.0	29,546	1.4	182	0.5	10,547	0.5	259	0.8

Source: The Foundation Center, 2009. Due to rounding, figures may not add up. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,339 larger U.S. foundations. For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file. Dollar figures are in thousands; grants may occasionally be for multiple types of support and would therefore be counted more than once. Percentages are based on total grant dollars and number of grants reported by foundations in the sample.

¹Qualifying types of support are tracked in addition to basic types of support, e.g., a challenge grant for construction, and are therefore represented separately.

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