

INTRODUCTION

Grants for Religion, Religious Welfare & Religious Education lists 16,308 grants of \$10,000 or more with a total value of \$1,345,962,094 made by 1,050 foundations, mostly in 2005 or 2006. It covers grants for churches, synagogues, mosques, religious orders, missionary societies, associations, institutions, and organizations concerned with religious issues. Also included are grants for religious welfare for such activities as counseling, outreach, meal programs, relief, and volunteer programs. Religious education covers grants to religious educational institutions for operating support, facilities and equipment, curriculum development, staff endowments, scholarships, fellowships, professorships, ministry training, and research projects. Also included are grants for various aspects of spirituality.

Grants for Religion, Religious Welfare & Religious Education is one of 12 topic-oriented publications included in the Foundation Center's *Grant Guides* series (see page v for a list of titles in the series). The *Grant Guides* are derived from the Center's grants database, which includes the grants from more than 1,250 U.S. foundations annually, including the largest foundations by total giving and the top funders in every state. Many of these foundations report their grants directly to the Foundation Center by way of grant reporting forms, electronic files, newsletters, annual reports, or other grants lists. Each volume in the *Grant Guides* series provides a general overview of foundation giving in a particular field of nonprofit activity.

The grants listed in the *Grant Guides* series are also published in *The Foundation Directory Online* subscription-based service, along with profiles of the foundations making the grants.

ARRANGEMENT

Within this volume, grants are arranged alphabetically by state, then by foundation name and recipient name within each foundation listing. For each grant you will find the following information: the name, city, and location (state or foreign country) of the recipient organization; the amount awarded; the fiscal year of grant authorization (or payment); and a description of the activity funded.

Access to the grants is available through three indexes:

- ◆ an index of recipient names;
- ◆ a geographic index (arranged by recipient state or foreign country location, then recipient name); and
- ◆ an index of subject key words.

Numeric references in the indexes are to grant identification numbers, *not* page numbers.

Sample Entry

Foundation location	GEORGIA
Foundation name	Jencks Foundation
Limitations	<i>Limitations:</i> Grants limited to GA, with primary consideration given to youth agencies and community organizations.
Grant Identification number	2055. Friendship Community
Recipient name & location	Center, Atlanta, GA,
Amount	\$15,000, 2006. 2-year
Year authorized	grant. For program
Duration	development and planning
Description	of capital campaign.