

Types of Support Awarded by Foundations, circa 2006

Type of Support	Dollar Value of Grants		No. of Grants		Average Dollar Value of Grants ¹
	Amount	%	No.	%	
General Support	\$3,626,043	19.0	34,112	24.3	\$106,298
General/Operating	3,054,543	16.0	29,046	20.7	105,162
Annual Campaigns	45,839	0.2	708	0.5	64,744
Income Development	161,512	0.8	1,947	1.4	82,954
Management Development	364,149	1.9	2,411	1.7	151,036
Capital Support	3,376,217	17.7	13,344	9.5	253,014
Capital Campaigns	577,586	3.0	2,088	1.5	276,621
Building/Renovation	1,506,676	7.9	6,328	4.5	238,096
Equipment	188,667	1.0	2,178	1.6	86,623
Computer Systems/Technology	136,120	0.7	1,380	1.0	98,637
Land Acquisition	78,501	0.4	219	0.2	358,453
Endowments	668,856	3.5	888	0.6	753,216
Debt Reduction	7,149	0.0	68	0.0	105,133
Collections Acquisition	212,662	1.1	195	0.1	1,090,576
Program Support	9,563,217	50.0	55,567	39.6	172,102
Program Development	7,533,518	39.4	44,366	31.6	169,803
Conferences/Seminars	178,191	0.9	1,953	1.4	91,239
Faculty/Staff Development	399,149	2.1	2,386	1.7	167,287
Professorships	99,499	0.5	225	0.2	442,219
Film/Video/Radio	86,587	0.5	649	0.5	133,416
Publication	103,284	0.5	984	0.7	104,963
Seed Money	527,621	2.8	848	0.6	622,194
Curriculum Development	167,497	0.9	824	0.6	203,273
Performance/Productions	49,162	0.3	754	0.5	65,201
Exhibitions	72,916	0.4	671	0.5	108,667
Collections Management/Preservation	23,170	0.1	183	0.1	126,611
Commissioning New Works	8,539	0.0	91	0.1	93,830
Electronic Media/Online Services	314,083	1.6	1,633	1.2	192,217
Research	1,673,641	8.8	5,896	4.2	283,860
Student Aid Funds	866,288	4.5	5,709	4.1	151,741
Student Aid	88,711	0.5	470	0.3	188,746
Fellowships	285,116	1.5	1,288	0.9	221,363
Internships	28,798	0.2	254	0.2	113,377
Scholarships	324,066	1.7	2,928	2.1	110,678
Awards/Prizes/Competitions	139,597	0.7	769	0.5	181,530
Other	315,941	1.7	1,401	1.0	225,511
Technical Assistance	174,249	0.9	805	0.6	216,458
Emergency Funds	1,828	0.0	32	0.0	57,117
Program Evaluation	139,863	0.7	564	0.4	247,984
Not Specified	3,135,441	16.4	37,749	26.9	83,060
Qualifying Support Type²					
Continuing	4,549,228	23.8	35,257	25.1	129,030
Matching or Challenge	872,488	4.6	1,305	0.9	668,573

Source: The Foundation Center, *Foundation Giving Trends*, 2008. Figures based on a sample of over 1,000 larger foundations. Dollar figures in thousands; grants may occasionally be for multiple types of support and would therefore be counted more than once.

¹Figures for "Average Dollar Value" represent dollar values.

²Qualifying types of support are tracked in addition to basic types of support, i.e., a challenge grant for construction, and are thereby represented separately.