Tips for Searching

Foundation Directory Online Professional

POWER SEARCH

THE POWER SEARCH allows you to search across nine Foundation Center databases—grantmakers, companies, grants, 990s, news, jobs, RFPs, nonprofit literature, and IssueLab reports.

TIPS

◆ Type in your search terms or select a database to go right to an indexed search.
◆ Power Search results are sorted by relevance, so exact phrase matches will appear higher up in the results list.
◆ To search for an exact phrase, simply enclose the phrase in quotation marks (e.g., “arts education”).
◆ Asterisk (*) is a truncation symbol (e.g. child* to search for child or children).
◆ To change the relationships between words: Boolean operators should be entered in ALL CAPS.
  AND will narrow your search.
  OR will expand your search.
  NOT will exclude words or phrases.
◆ To search for words near each other, use “children obesity”~N (where N=number of words separating the two terms in quotes)
GUIDED SEARCH

Use GUIDED SEARCH to see a live recap of your search. Refine your search by adding or removing search criteria without having to start your search over, and search within results to add additional keywords or phrases.

Click “hide” to hide the guided search menu.

Uncheck a search term to remove it from your results.

Enter additional keywords or phrases to search within your results.

Shows a recap of your search.
SEARCH GRANTMAKERS

THE GRANTMAKER DATABASE contains approximately 110,000 profiles of private foundations, grantmaking public charities, and corporate giving programs, with 16 searchable fields available. Use this to search for grantmakers based on their giving guidelines and stated areas of interest.

Example: “I am looking for grantmakers that give to children and youth health programs in New York.”

TIPS*

◆ Two approaches: Start with a narrow search using two or more “Fields of Interest” terms, then broaden your search; OR start with a broader term (e.g., “human services”) then narrow with more or different terms

◆ Use “Grantmaker Location” to search for local grantmakers. Grantmaker locations can be searched by state, county, city, metro area, congressional district, and zip code. Use “Geographic Focus” to also search for out-of-state grantmakers, national and international grantmakers

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◆ To learn more about terms used to describe grantmaker fields of interest, explore out Philanthropy Classification System (taxonomy.foundationcenter.org)

*For more search tips, also see the Search Tutorial from the Foundation Directory Online home page or the Foundation Directory Online Guided Tour (fconline.foundationcenter.org/welcome/tour) from our web site.
NOT ALL FUNDER PROFILES HAVE THE SAME LEVEL OF INFORMATION!

The size and content of a grantmaker profile depends largely on the scope and nature of the funding programs and the availability of information on the grantmaker. Profiles may or may not include a purpose and activities statement, fields of interest, geographic focus, and/or the grantmaker’s limitations.

WHAT IS IN EACH TAB?

PROFILE: Grantmaker’s giving interests, application requirements, etc. (see sample profile).

SEARCH GRANTS: Click to search the grants of the grantmaker indexed in the database.

MAP GRANTS: Click to map grants of the grantmaker by recipient type or primary subject on the U.S. or world map. Drill down to see grants by county, city, zip code, or congressional district.

CHART GRANTS: View printable charts of the grantmaker’s giving trends by recipient type or primary subject.

NEWS/RFPS/JOBS: Grantmaker-related headlines, requests for proposals, and job opportunities that have been posted on our web site’s Philanthropy News Digest (foundationcenter.org/pnd/).

PUBLICATIONS: Grantmaker-sponsored reports from IssueLab (issuelab.org). You also can link to a list of books and articles on the grantmaker from the Catalog of Nonprofit Literature, the Center’s library catalog (cnl.foundationcenter.org).

PEOPLE: Names, titles & affiliations of Officers, Trustees, Donors, and key staff.

990s: Links to the grantmaker’s recent Forms 990/990-PF.
SEARCH COMPANIES

THE COMPANY DATABASE contains over 4,000 profiles of companies that sponsor corporate giving programs, foundations, and grantmaking public charities, with 15 searchable fields available. Use this to search for sponsoring companies based on their location, their business activities, and the locations of their subsidiaries.

Example: “I am looking for companies located in New York that manufacture sporting goods.”

TIPS*

- If you’re looking for in-kind gifts, use the Business Type (NAICS) search field to find sponsoring companies that manufacture or produce certain products
- Use the Officers/Directors search field to identify companies affiliated with your organization’s donors, board members, or volunteers
- Since many companies support communities where they operate, use the Subsidiary State/Country and Subsidiary City search fields to find companies in your geographic area

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The size and content of a company profile depends largely on the type of company and the availability of information. Profiles may or may not include the company's name and address; the company's URL; establishment information; company type; the company's ticker symbol and exchange; business activities; financial data; directors and corporate officers; names and/or locations of subsidiaries, divisions, joint ventures, plants, and offices; countries of international operations, and historic merger information.
SEARCH GRANTS

THE GRANTS DATABASE IN PROFESSIONAL contains over 3 million records of recently awarded grants by the largest grantmakers, with 15 searchable fields available. Each record links to the grantmaker’s profile and, when possible, to the recipient’s website. Use this database to find organizations or projects similar to yours that have received grants, review grants made by a specific foundation, or get ideas for search terms that describe your program. (Search Grants is not available in Foundation Directory Online Basic.)

Example: “I am looking for examples of funded projects in California that address childhood obesity.”

GRANT RECORDS

Click here to go to the associated grantmaker’s profile.

Content of a grant record varies based on availability of information from a grantmaker’s IRS information returns, annual reports, and grant lists.

Click here to go to the recipient’s Form 990.

Get ideas for search terms from Subject headings.

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SEARCH 990

Search 990s contains recent IRS Forms 990/990-PF for all foundations and grantmaking public charities in Foundation Directory Online (over 1 million documents). Use this database to search for grants to organizations and projects similar to yours.

- “Keyword Search” scans IRS filings for search terms. Other search fields (Fiscal Year, Grantmaker Name, etc.) scan Foundation Directory Online entries.
- To search for words near each other, use “children obesity”~N (where N=number of words separating the two terms in quotes)
- Only search terms from “Keyword Search” box will be highlighted in the Form 990/990-PF. Search terms typed into other fields (Fiscal Year, Grantmaker Name, etc.) will not be highlighted.
- Click on “View the Grantmaker Profile” to go to funder’s profile.

Using AND vs. Proximity searching: When using AND to search for 2+ words, the search engine will return any Forms 990 that have those words, even if the words are pages apart. When using “word 1 word 2”~30 to search for 2+ words, there is a greater chance that the two words will be within 30 words of each other, e.g., a program description for a recently awarded grant.

A Note About Highlighting: The technology used to scan the text in the Search 990s documents – optical character recognition or OCR – looks for matches to words you type into the “Keyword Search” field, highlighting them when it finds one. This technology is not a perfect science, and there may be instances where you find highlighting to be slightly off its mark, or you may find a different word highlighted because the search was not able to differentiate it from the term on which you were searching. In addition, any truncated search terms will not be highlighted. For example, searching on “obes*” will give you “obese” or “obesity,” but the terms will not be highlighted in the resulting documents.
# Sample Record

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<tr>
<td>Friedman Family Foundation</td>
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<tr>
<td>353 Folsom St.</td>
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<tr>
<td>San Francisco, CA 94105-2300</td>
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<tr>
<td>Telephone: (650) 342-8750</td>
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<td>Contact: Lisa Kawahara</td>
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<td>Fax: (666) 223-1078</td>
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<td>E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@friedmanfamilyfoundation.org">info@friedmanfamilyfoundation.org</a></td>
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The IRS has announced processing errors on electronically filed Forms 990 for filing years 2007-2009. Learn More*.

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<th><strong>Specific limitations on foundation giving by geographic area and types of support</strong></th>
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<td>Donor(s): Phyllis K. Friedman; Howard Friedman*</td>
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<td>Limitations: Giving primarily in the nine counties of the San Francisco Bay Area, CA. No grants to individuals, or for films, videos, conferences, seminars, capital campaigns, scholarships, research, or special fundraising events.</td>
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<td>Purpose and Activities: Support for programs which attempt to end the cycle of poverty, especially programs that provide tools, support, asset building, and opportunity to people in need in order to overcome the root causes of their poverty, and in which the people to be helped are part of the design and decision making of the organization or project. Preference is given to new and creative programs, and programs working for systemic change.</td>
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Publication: Application guidelines; Grants list; Occasional report (including application guidelines).

Application Information: Applications are by invitation only, upon review of letter of inquiry. Fax submissions are not accepted. E-mail is preferred. Application form required.

Initial approach: Brief letter of inquiry (no more than 3 pages)

Copies of proposal: 1

Board meeting date(s): Varies, meets 3 times a year

Deadline(s): None, for letters of inquiry; see foundation web site for current application deadlines

Final notification: Up to 3 months for letters of inquiry

Additional information: Grants list and Multi-year report are available for distribution online, hardcopies mailed by request.
Associations to which the foundation belongs

Year-end date of accounting period, assets, expenditures, and giving activities

**Officers and Directors:** Phyllis K. Friedman,* President; Eleanor Friedman,* Vice President; Robert E. Friedman,* Secretary; David A. Friedman,* Treasurer

**Staff, Number of Staff:** 1 part-time professional. **Key Staff:** Note: Does not include officers. Lisa M. Kawahara, Admin.

**Memberships:** Regional Associations of Grantmakers: Northern California Grantmakers. **Affinity Groups:** Neighborhood Funders Group. **Associations and Other Philanthropic Organizations:** Council on Foundations.

**Financial Data: Year ended 2/28/12:** Assets: $9,840,396 (market value); Expenditures: $645,966; Total giving: $520,000; Qualifying distributions: $520,000; Giving activities include: $520,000 for grants.

**Additional Location Information:** County: San Francisco; Metropolitan area: San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA; Congressional district: California District 12.

**Selected Grants:**

The following grants are a representative sample of this grantmaker's funding activity:

- $10,000 to Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment, Los Angeles, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to California Association for Microenterprise Opportunity, San Francisco, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to California Reinvestment Coalition, San Francisco, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, DC, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to Community Financial Resources, Berkeley, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to Earned Assets Resource Network, San Francisco, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to Low-Income Families Empowerment through Education, Oakland, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to Mission Asset Fund, San Francisco, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to New Foundry Ventures, San Francisco, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
- $10,000 to Transnational Institute for Grassroots Research and Action, Oakland, CA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.
## The Foundation Center's Fields of Interest/Subject Term/Recipient Type Authority List

### 28 Broad Fields of Interest

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**Civil/human rights, immigrants**  
**Civil/human rights, LGBTQ**  
**Civil/human rights, minorities**  
**Civil/human rights, women patients’ rights**  
**Cultural rights**  
**Environmental and resource rights**  
**Freedom from violence/torture**  
**Labor rights**

**Community development**  
**Business/industry**  
**Business/industry, better business bureaus**  
**Business/industry, trade boards**  
**Community development, business promotion**  
**Community development, citizen coalitions**  
**Community development, civic centers**  
**Community development, men’s clubs**  
**Community development, neighborhood associations**  
**Community development, neighborhood development**  
**Community development, public/private ventures**  
**Community development, real estate**  
**Community development, service clubs**  
**Community development, small businesses**  
**Community development, women’s clubs**  
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**Economic development**  
**Economic development, visitors/convention bureau/tourism promotion**  
**Microfinance/microlending**  
**Nonprofit management**  
**Rural development**  
**Social entrepreneurship**  
**Urban/community development**

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**Crime/law enforcement, counterterrorism**  
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Health care
Health care, blood supply
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Health care, cost containment
Health care, counseling/pastoral care
Health care, emergency transport services
Health care, EMS
Health care, financing
Health care, HMO financing
Health care, HMOs
Health care, home services
Health care, infants
Health care, insurance
Health care, organ/tissue banks
Health care, patient services
Health care, rural areas
Health care, support services
Holistic medicine
Hospitals (general)
Hospitals (specialty)
Hospitals, intensive care
Medical care, bioethics
Medical care, community health systems
Medical care, in-patient care
Medical care, outpatient care
Medical care, rehabilitation
Nursing care
Nursing home/convalescent facility
Optometry/vision screening
Palliative care
Pharmacy/prescriptions
Physical therapy
Podiatry
Public health
Public health, bioterrorism
Public health, communicable diseases
Public health, environmental health
Public health, epidemiology
Public health, obesity
Public health, occupational health
Public health, physical fitness
Public health, STDs
Reproductive health
Reproductive health, abortion clinics/services
Reproductive health, family planning
Reproductive health, fertility
Reproductive health, OB/GYN/birthing centers
Reproductive health, prenatal care
Reproductive health, sexuality education
Reproductive health, sterilization
Speech/hearing centers

Health organizations
AIDS
Alcoholism
Allergies

ALS
Alzheimer’s disease
Anesthesiology
Arthritis
Asthma
Autism
Biomedicine
Brain disorders
Breast cancer
Cancer
Cancer, leukemia
Cerebral palsy
Chiropractic
Cystic fibrosis
Diabetes
Diagnostic imaging
Digestive diseases
Diseases (rare)
Down syndrome
Ear, nose & throat diseases
Epilepsy
Eye diseases
Genetic diseases & disorders
Geriatrics
Health organizations
Heart & circulatory diseases
Hematology
Hemophilia
Immunology
Internal medicine
Kidney diseases
Learning disorders
Liver disorders
Lung diseases
Lupus
Medical specialties
Multiple sclerosis
Muscular dystrophy
Myasthenia gravis
Nerve, muscle & bone diseases
Neuroscience
Obstetrics/gynecology
Organ diseases
Orthopedics
Parasitic diseases
Parkinson’s disease
Pathology
Pediatrics
Pharmacology
Prostate cancer
Sickle cell disease
Skin disorders
SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)
Spine disorders
Stem cell therapy
Surgery
Tropical diseases

Housing/Shelter
Home accessibility modifications
Housing/shelter

Human services
Aging, centers/services
American Red Cross
Benefits planning services
Child development, services
Children, adoption
Children, day care
Children, foster care
Children, services
Children/youth, services
Developmentally disabled, centers & services
Family resources and services, disability
Family services
Family services, adolescent parents
Family services, counseling
Family services, domestic violence
Family services, home/homemaker aid
Family services, parent education
Family services, single parents
Homeless, human services
Human services
Human services, emergency aid
Human services, financial counseling
Human services, gift distribution
Human services, mind/body enrichment
Human services, personal services
Human services, self-help groups
Human services, transportation
Human services, travelers’ aid
Human services, victim aid
Independent living, disability
Minorities/immigrants, centers/services
Neighborhood centers
Personal assistance services (PAS)
Pregnancy centers
Residential/custodial care
Residential/custodial care, group home
Residential/custodial care, half-way house
Residential/custodial care, hospices
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Residential/custodial care, senior continuing care
Residential/custodial care, special day care
Salvation Army
Self-advocacy services, disability
Supported living
Thrift shops
Transition planning
Urban League
Volunteers of America
Women, centers/services
YM/YWCAs & YM/YWHAs
Youth, pregnancy prevention
Youth, services

International affairs
Anti-slavery/human trafficking
International affairs
International affairs, arms control
International affairs, foreign policy
International affairs, goodwill promotion
International affairs, national security
International affairs, U.N.
International agricultural development
International conflict resolution
International democracy & civil society development
International development
International economic development
International economics/trade policy
International exchange
International exchange, arts
International exchange, students
International human rights
International migration/refugee issues
International peace/security
International relief
International relief, 2004 tsunami
International terrorism

International giving
Afghanistan
Africa
Albania
Algeria
Andorra
Angola
Anguilla
Antarctica
Antigua & Barbuda
Arctic Region
Argentina
Armenia
Aruba
Asia
Australia
Austria
Azerbaijan
Bahamas
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Barbados
Belarus
Belgium
Belize
Benin
Bermuda
Bhutan
Bolivia
Bonaire
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Botswana
Brazil
British Virgin Islands
Brunei
Bulgaria
Burkina Faso
Burma (Myanmar)
Burundi
Cambodia
Cameroon
Canada
Cape Verde
Caribbean
Caroline Islands
Cayman Islands
Central Africa
Central Africa Republic
Central America
Chad
Chile
China
China & Mongolia
Colombia
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Comoros
Congo
Costa Rica
Croatia
Cuba
Curacao
Cyprus
Czech Republic
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Denmark
Developing countries
Djibouti
Dominica
Dominican Republic
East Timor
Eastern & Central Europe
Ecuador
Egypt
El Salvador
England
Equatorial Guinea
Eritrea
Estonia
Ethiopia
Europe
Federated States of Micronesia
Fiji
Finland
France
French Guiana
Gabon
Gambia
Georgia (Republic of)
Germany
Ghana
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Global programs
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Greenland
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Haiti
Honduras
Hong Kong
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Iceland
India
Indonesia
Iran
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Isle of Man
Israel
Italy
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Japan
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Jordan
Kazakhstan
Kenya
Kiribati
Kosovo
Kuwait
Kyrgyzstan
Laos
Latvia
Lebanon
Leeward Islands
Lesotho
Liberia
Libya
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Macau
Macedonia
Madagascar
Malawi
Malaysia
Maldives
Mali
Malt
Marshall Islands
Martinique
Mauritania
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Mauritius
Mexico
Middle East
Moldova
Monaco
Mongolia
Montenegro
Montserrat
Morocco and the Western Sahara
Mozambique
Namibia
Nauru
Nepal
Netherlands
Netherlands Antilles
New Caledonia
New Zealand
Nicaragua
Niger
Nigeria
North Africa
North Korea
Northern Ireland
Norway
Oceania
Oman
Pakistan
Palau
Panama
Papua New Guinea
Paraguay
Peru
Philippines
Poland
Portugal
Qatar
Romania
Russia
Rwanda
Saint Kitts-Nevis
Saint Lucia
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines
Samoa
Sao Tome and Principe
Saudi Arabia
Scandinavia
Scotland
Senegal
Serbia
Seychelles
Sierra Leone
Singapore
Slovakia
Slovenia
Solomon Islands
Somalia, Somaliland and Puntland
South Africa
South America
South Asia
South Korea
Southeast Asia
Southern Africa
Soviet Union (Former)
Spain
Sri Lanka
Sub-Saharan Africa
Sudan
Suriname
Swaziland
Sweden
Switzerland
Syria
Taiwan
Tajikistan
Tanzania, Zanzibar and Pemba
Thailand
Togo
Tonga
Trinidad & Tobago
Tunisia
Turkey
Turkmenistan
Turks & Caicos Islands
Tuvalu
Uganda
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom
Uruguay
Uzbekistan
Vanuatu
Vatican City
Venezuela
Vietnam
Wales
West Bank/Gaza
Western Africa
Yemen
Yugoslavia (Former)
Zambia
Zimbabwe

Medical research
AIDS research
Alcoholism research
Allergies research
ALS research
Alzheimer’s disease research
Anesthesiology research
Arthritis research
Asthma research
Autism research
Biomedicine research
Brain research
Breast cancer research
Cancer, leukemia research
Cancer research
Cerebral palsy research
Chiropractic research
Cystic fibrosis research
Diabetes research
Diagnostic imaging research
Digestive disorders research

Diseases (rare) research
Down syndrome research
Ear, nose & throat research
Epilepsy research
Eye research
Genetic diseases and disorders research
Geriatrics research
Heart & circulatory research
Hematology research
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Multiple sclerosis research
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Skin disorders research
Spine disorders research
Stem cell research
Surgery research
Tropical diseases research

Mental health/Crisis services
Hospitals (psychiatric)
Mental health, addictions
Mental health, association
Mental health, clinics
Mental health, counseling/support groups
Mental health/crisis services
Mental health/crisis services, hot-lines
Mental health/crisis services, rape victim services
Mental health/crisis services, suicide
Mental health, depression
Mental health, disorders
Mental health, eating disorders
Mental health, gambling addiction
Mental health, grief/bereavement counseling
Mental health, residential care
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Mental health, schizophrenia
Mental health, smoking
Mental health, stress
Mental health, transitional care
Mental health, treatment
Substance abuse, prevention
Substance abuse, services
Substance abuse, treatment

Mutual aid societies
Cemeteries/burial services
Cemeteries/burial services, burial association
Cemeteries/burial services, cemetery company
Fraternal societies
Fraternal societies (501(c)(8))
Fraternal societies (501(c)(9))
Fraternal societies (501(c)(11))
Insurance (benevolent life)
Insurance (group)
Insurance, providers
Insurance, unemployment compensation
Mutual aid societies
Pensions
Pensions, employee trusts
Pensions, multi-employer plans
Pensions, teacher funds

Philanthropy/Voluntarism
Catholic federated giving programs
United Ways and federated giving programs
Foundations (community)
Foundations (corporate)
Foundations (non-grantmaking, non-operating)
Foundations (private grantmaking)
Foundations (private independent)
Foundations (private operating)
Foundations (public)
Jewish federated giving programs
Philanthropy/voluntarism
Protestant federated giving programs
Religious federated giving programs
Venture philanthropy
Voluntarism promotion

Population groups
African Americans/Blacks
Aging
AIDS, people with
Asians/Pacific Islanders
Blind/visually impaired
Boys
Children
Children/youth
Crime/abuse victims
Deaf/hearing impaired

Public affairs
Accessibility/universal design
Campaign finance reform
Consumer protection
Electronic communications/internet
Financial services
Financial services, credit unions
Government
Government, federal
Government, local
Government, quasi-governmental
Government, state
Government, tribal
Government/public administration
Leadership development
Military/veterans' organizations
Public affairs
Public affairs, citizen participation
Public affairs, election regulation
Public affairs, finance
Public affairs, government agencies
Public affairs, political organizations
Public policy, research
Telecommunications
Telecommunications, mutual/co-op
Transportation
Utilities
Welfare policy/reform

Recreation
Athletics/sports, academies
Athletics/sports, amateur competition

Religion
Bahai
Buddhism
Catholic agencies & churches
Christian agencies & churches
Confucianism
Hinduism
Islam
Jewish agencies & synagogues
Mormon agencies & churches
Orthodox agencies & churches
Protestant agencies & churches
Religion
Religion, interfaith issues
Spirituality

Safety/disasters
Disasters, 9/11/01
Disasters, civil defense
Disasters, domestic resettlement
Disasters, fire prevention/control
Disasters, floods
Disasters, Hurricane Katrina
Disasters, preparedness/services
Disasters, search/rescue
Safety, automotive safety
Safety, disasters
Safety, education
Safety, first aid training
Safety, poisons

Science
Anatomy (animal)
Anatomy (human)
Assistive technology
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**Advocacy:** Cash grants for services related to advocacy, including advocating for better assistance in various program areas (for example school reform, full access to health care, legal reform, environmental clean up work, etc.) and providing assistance in planning advocacy campaigns.

**Annual campaigns:** Any organized effort by a nonprofit to secure gifts on an annual basis; also called annual appeals.

**Awards/prizes/competitions:** Grants for artists’ awards, prizes, competitions, housing, living space, and work space.

**Building/renovation:** Grants for constructing, renovating, remodeling, or rehabilitating property. Includes general or unspecified capital support awards.

**Business startups/expansion:** An area of activity supported by the investments of foundations or funders, the purpose of which is to stimulate the business sector.

**Camperships:** Funding to organizations to provide partial or full tuition subsidies to enable participants who would not otherwise be financially able to participate in fee-based camping programs.

**Capital campaigns:** Campaigns to raise funds for a variety of long-term purposes such as building construction or acquisition, endowments, land acquisition, etc.

**Cause-related marketing:** The practice of linking gifts to charity with marketing promotions. This may involve donating products that will then be auctioned or given away in a drawing with the proceeds benefiting a charity. The advertising campaign for the product will be combined with the promotion for the charity. In other cases it may be advertised that when a customer buys the product a certain amount of the proceeds will be donated to charity.

**Charitable use real estate:** Program-related investments in properties that are used for charitable purposes. In most cases, a property such as a building is held by a foundation, which in turn donates or leases it at below market rates to a nonprofit organization. In other cases, a property consists of either land or buildings that are held for a period of time by a foundation and then either given away as a grant or sold to a nonprofit or to a government agency.

**Collections acquisition:** Grants to libraries or museums to acquire permanent materials as part of a collection, usually books or art.

**Collections management/preservation:** Grants for maintenance, preservation, and conservation of materials.

**Commissioning new works:** Grants to support the creation of new artistic works.

**Computer technology:** Grants to acquire, upgrade, or develop computer technology. Includes hardware, software, peripherals, systems, networking components, and mobile devices.

**Conferences/seminars:** Includes workshops.

**Consulting services:** Professional staff support provided by the foundation to a nonprofit to consult on a project of mutual interest or to evaluate services (not a cash grant).

**Continuing support:** Grant renewed on a regular basis.

**Curriculum development:** Awards to schools, colleges, universities, and educational support organizations to develop general or discipline-specific curricula.

**Debt reduction:** Grant to reduce the recipient organization’s indebtedness; also referred to as deficit financing. Frequently refers to mortgage payments.

**Donated equipment:** Surplus furniture, office machines, paper, appliances, laboratory apparatus, or other items that may be given to charities, schools, or hospitals.

**Donated land:** Land or developed property. Institutions of higher education often receive gifts of real estate; land has also been given to community groups for housing development or for parks or recreational facilities.

**Donated products:** Companies sometimes give away what they make or produce. Product donations may include periodic clothing donations to a shelter for the homeless or regular donations of pharmaceuticals to a health clinic resulting in a reliable supply.

**Electronic media/online services:** Grants for support of projects on the Internet and World Wide Web, including online publications and databases, development of Web sites, electronic networking and messaging services, CD-ROM products, and interactive educational programs.

**Emergency funds:** One-time grants to cover the immediate short-term funding needs of a recipient organization on an emergency basis.

**Employee matching gifts:** Usually made by corporate foundations to match gifts made by corporate employees.
Employee volunteer services: Effort through which a company promotes involvement with nonprofits on the part of employees.

Employee-related scholarships: Scholarship programs funded by a company-sponsored foundation usually for children of employees; programs are frequently administered by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation which is responsible for selection of scholars.

Endowments: Bequests or gifts intended to be kept permanently and invested to provide income for continued support of an organization.

Equipment: Grants to purchase equipment, furnishings, or other materials.

Equity investments: An ownership position in an organization or venture taken through an investment. Returns on the investment are dependent on the profitability of the organization or venture.

Exchange programs: Usually refers to funds for educational exchange programs for foreign students.

Exhibitions: Awards to institutions such as museums, libraries or historical societies specifically to mount an exhibit or to support the installation of a touring exhibit.

Faculty/staff development: Grants to institutions or organizations to train or further educate staff or faculty members.

Fellowships: Usually indicates funds awarded to educational institutions to support fellowship programs. A few foundations award fellowships directly to individuals.

Film/video/radio: Grants to fund a specific film, video, or radio production.

Foundation-administered programs: Funds expended for programs administered by the foundation.

General/operating support: Grants for the day-to-day operating costs of an existing program or organization or to further the general purpose or work of an organization; also called “unrestricted grants.”

Grants to individuals: These are awards given directly to individuals, not through other nonprofit organizations. Many grantmakers have a specific limitation stating “no grants to individuals.” In order to make grants to individuals, a foundation must have a program that has received formal IRS approval.

In-kind gifts: Contributions of equipment, supplies, or other property as distinct from monetary grants.

Income development: Grants for fundraising, marketing, and to expand audience base.

Interim financing (bridge loans, cash flow financing): Short-term loan to provide temporary financing until more permanent financing is available.

Internship funds (institutional support): Funds awarded to an institution or organization to support an internship program, rather than a grant to an individual.

Land acquisition: Grants to purchase real estate property.

Line of credit: Agreement by a bank that a company may borrow at any time up to an established limit.

Linked deposits (usually CDs): A deposit in an account with a financial institution to induce that institution’s support for one or more projects. By accruing no interest or low interest on its deposit, a foundation essentially subsidizes the interest rate of the project borrowers.

Loaned talent: Usually involves employee-loaned professionals and executive staff who are helping a nonprofit in an area involving their particular skills.

Loans to individuals: Assistance distributed directly to individuals in the form of loans.

Loans for loan funds: Funding for nonprofit or for-profit institutions that have specialized lending capacities. They obtain capital in the form of equity and low-interest loans (Program-related investments) from a variety of sources, including foundations and other funders, to form a “lending pool.”

Loans/promissory notes: See "Program-related investments/loans."

Management development/capacity building: Grants for salaries, staff support, staff training, strategic and long-range planning, capacity building, budgeting and accounting.

Matching/challenge support: Grants to match funds provided by another donor and grants paid only if the donee is able to raise additional funds from another source.

Mortgage financing: Funds to lending organizations providing low-interest mortgages to needy individuals.

Performance/productions: Grants to cover costs specifically associated with mounting performing arts productions.

Pro Bono Services: Pro bono services rendered by a company, professional services firm, intermediary, association or individual professional leveraging the core competencies and expertise of the professional(s) engaged to meet the client’s need.

Professorships: Grants to educational institutions to endow a professorship or chair.

Program development: Grants to support specific projects or programs as opposed to general purpose grants.

Program evaluation: Grants to evaluate a specific project or program; includes awards both to agencies to pay for evaluation costs and to research institutes and other program evaluators.
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Program-related investments/loans: Loans or other investments (as distinguished from grants) to organizations to finance projects related to the foundation’s stated charitable purpose and interests.

Public relations services: May include printing and duplicating, audio-visual and graphic arts services, helping to plan special events such as festivals, piggyback advertising (advertisements that mention a company while also promoting a nonprofit), and public service advertising.

Publication: Grants to fund reports or other publications issued by a nonprofit resulting from research or projects of interest to the foundation.

Research: Funds to cover the costs of investigations and clinical trials, including demonstration and pilot projects. (Research grants for individuals are usually referred to as “fellowships.”).

Scholarship funds (institutional support): Grants to educational institutions or organizations to support a scholarship program, mainly for students at the undergraduate level; the donee institution then distributes the funds to individuals through their own programs.

Scholarships to individuals: These are funds awarded directly to individuals through programs administered by the grantmaker.

Seed money: Grants to start, establish, or initiate new projects or organizations; may cover salaries and other operating expenses of a new project. Also called “startup funds.”

Sponsorships: Endorsements of charities by corporations, or corporate contributions to charitable events.

Student aid/financial aid (institutional support): Grants to organizations to provide assistance to individuals in the form of grants-in-aid, stipends, loans, work-study, or other awards for pursuing educational, research, or professional goals.

Student loans to individuals: These are loans distributed directly to individuals through programs administered by the grantmaker.

Technical assistance: Operational or management assistance given to nonprofit organizations, including fundraising assistance, budgeting and financial planning, program planning, legal advice, marketing, and other aids to management.

Travel awards: Funding to organizations to provide awards to individuals to cover transportation and/or out-of-town living expenses while attending a conference or completing a period of study or special project. Enrollment in a college or university is not a requirement.

Use of facilities: May include rent-free office space for temporary periods, dining and meeting facilities, telecommunications services, mailing services, transportation services, or computer services.