The Foundation Center’s
Fields of Interest/Subject Term/Recipient Type Authority List

28 Broad Fields of Interest

Agriculture/Food
- Agriculture
- Agriculture, community food systems
- Agriculture, farm bureaus/granges
- Agriculture, farm cooperatives
- Agriculture, farmlands
- Agriculture/food
- Agriculture, irrigation services
- Agriculture, livestock issues
- Agriculture, sustainable programs
- Food banks
- Food distribution, groceries on wheels
- Food distribution, meals on wheels
- Food services
- Food services, agency eatery
- Food services, commodity distribution
- Food services, congregate meals
- Home economics
- Nutrition

Animals/Wildlife
- Animal population control
- Animal welfare
- Animals/wildlife
- Animals/wildlife, bird preserves
- Animals/wildlife, clubs
- Animals/wildlife, endangered species
- Animals/wildlife, exhibition
- Animals/wildlife, fisheries
- Animals/wildlife, preservation/protection
- Animals/wildlife, sanctuaries
- Animals/wildlife, special services
- Animals/wildlife, training
- Aquariums
- Veterinary medicine
- Veterinary medicine, hospital
- Zoos/zoological societies

Arts/Humanities
- Art history
- Arts
- Arts, artist’s services

Environment
- Health care
- Health organizations
- Housing/Shelter
- Human services
- International affairs
- International giving
- Medical research

Mental health/Crisis services
- Mental health/Crisis services
- Mental health/Crisis services

Philanthropy/Voluntarism
- Philanthropy/Voluntarism
- Philanthropy/Voluntarism

Public affairs
- Public affairs
- Public affairs

Religion
- Religion
- Religion

Safety/disasters
- Safety/disasters
- Safety/disasters

Science
- Science
- Science

Social sciences
- Social sciences
- Social sciences

Unknown/not classified
- Unknown/not classified
- Unknown/not classified

Youth development
- Youth development
- Youth development

Arts councils
- Arts councils
- Arts councils

Arts, cultural/ethnic awareness
- Arts, cultural/ethnic awareness
- Arts, cultural/ethnic awareness

Arts education
- Arts education
- Arts education

Arts, folk arts
- Arts, folk arts
- Arts, folk arts

Arts, multipurpose centers/programs
- Arts, multipurpose centers/programs
- Arts, multipurpose centers/programs

Arts, services
- Arts, services
- Arts, services

Historic preservation/historical societies
- Historic preservation/historical societies
- Historic preservation/historical societies

Historical activities
- Historical activities
- Historical activities

Historical activities, centennials
- Historical activities, centennials
- Historical activities, centennials

Historical activities, genealogy
- Historical activities, genealogy
- Historical activities, genealogy

Historical activities, war memorials
- Historical activities, war memorials
- Historical activities, war memorials

History/archaeology
- History/archaeology
- History/archaeology

Humanities
- Humanities
- Humanities

Journalism
- Journalism
- Journalism

Language (classical)
- Language (classical)
- Language (classical)

Language (foreign)
- Language (foreign)
- Language (foreign)

Language/linguistics
- Language/linguistics
- Language/linguistics

Literature
- Literature
- Literature

Media/communications
- Media/communications
- Media/communications

Media, film/video
- Media, film/video
- Media, film/video

Media, journalism/publishing
- Media, journalism/publishing
- Media, journalism/publishing

Media, radio
- Media, radio
- Media, radio

Media, television
- Media, television
- Media, television

Museums
- Museums
- Museums

Museums (art)
- Museums (art)
- Museums (art)

Museums (children’s)
- Museums (children’s)
- Museums (children’s)

Museums (ethnic/folk arts)
- Museums (ethnic/folk arts)
- Museums (ethnic/folk arts)

Museums (history)
- Museums (history)
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Museums (marine/maritime)
- Museums (marine/maritime)
- Museums (marine/maritime)

Museums (natural history)
- Museums (natural history)
- Museums (natural history)

Museums (science/technology)
- Museums (science/technology)
- Museums (science/technology)

Museums (specialized)
- Museums (specialized)
- Museums (specialized)

Museums (sports/hobby)
- Museums (sports/hobby)
- Museums (sports/hobby)

Performing arts
- Performing arts
- Performing arts

Performing arts (multimedia)
- Performing arts (multimedia)
- Performing arts (multimedia)

Performing arts, ballet
- Performing arts, ballet
- Performing arts, ballet

Performing arts centers
- Performing arts centers
- Performing arts centers

Performing arts, choreography
- Performing arts, choreography
- Performing arts, choreography

Performing arts, circus arts
- Performing arts, circus arts
- Performing arts, circus arts

Performing arts, dance
- Performing arts, dance
- Performing arts, dance

Performing arts, education
- Performing arts, education
- Performing arts, education

Performing arts, music
- Performing arts, music
- Performing arts, music

Performing arts, music (choral)
- Performing arts, music (choral)
- Performing arts, music (choral)

Performing arts, music ensembles/groups
- Performing arts, music ensembles/groups
- Performing arts, music ensembles/groups

Performing arts, opera
- Performing arts, opera
- Performing arts, opera

Performing arts, orchestras
- Performing arts, orchestras
- Performing arts, orchestras

Performing arts, theater
- Performing arts, theater
- Performing arts, theater

Performing arts, theater (musical)
- Performing arts, theater (musical)
- Performing arts, theater (musical)

Performing arts, theater (playwriting)
- Performing arts, theater (playwriting)
- Performing arts, theater (playwriting)

Philosophy/ethics
- Philosophy/ethics
- Philosophy/ethics

Planetarium
- Planetarium
- Planetarium

Print publishing
- Print publishing
- Print publishing

Textile/fiber arts
- Textile/fiber arts
- Textile/fiber arts

Theology
- Theology
- Theology

Visual arts
- Visual arts
- Visual arts

Visual arts, architecture
- Visual arts, architecture
- Visual arts, architecture

Visual arts, art conservation
- Visual arts, art conservation
- Visual arts, art conservation

Visual arts, ceramic arts
- Visual arts, ceramic arts
- Visual arts, ceramic arts

Visual arts, design
- Visual arts, design
- Visual arts, design

Visual arts, drawing
- Visual arts, drawing
- Visual arts, drawing

Visual arts, painting
- Visual arts, painting
- Visual arts, painting

Visual arts, photography
- Visual arts, photography
- Visual arts, photography

Visual arts, sculpture
- Visual arts, sculpture
- Visual arts, sculpture

Web-based media
- Web-based media
- Web-based media

Civil Rights
- Children’s rights
- Children’s rights

Civil liberties, advocacy
- Civil liberties, advocacy
- Civil liberties, advocacy

Civil liberties, death penalty issues
- Civil liberties, death penalty issues
- Civil liberties, death penalty issues

Civil liberties, due process
- Civil liberties, due process
- Civil liberties, due process

Civil liberties, first amendment
- Civil liberties, first amendment
- Civil liberties, first amendment

Civil liberties, freedom of information
- Civil liberties, freedom of information
- Civil liberties, freedom of information

Civil liberties, freedom of religion
- Civil liberties, freedom of religion
- Civil liberties, freedom of religion

Civil liberties, marriage equality
- Civil liberties, marriage equality
- Civil liberties, marriage equality

Civil liberties, reproductive rights
- Civil liberties, reproductive rights
- Civil liberties, reproductive rights

Civil liberties, right to privacy
- Civil liberties, right to privacy
- Civil liberties, right to privacy

Civil liberties, right to life
- Civil liberties, right to life
- Civil liberties, right to life

Civil liberties, right to die
- Civil liberties, right to die
- Civil liberties, right to die

Civil liberties, traditional marriage
- Civil liberties, traditional marriage
- Civil liberties, traditional marriage

Civil rights, race/intergroup relations
- Civil rights, race/intergroup relations
- Civil rights, race/intergroup relations

Civil rights, voter education
- Civil rights, voter education
- Civil rights, voter education

Civil/human rights
- Civil/human rights
- Civil/human rights

Civil/human rights, advocacy
- Civil/human rights, advocacy
- Civil/human rights, advocacy

Civil/human rights, aging
- Civil/human rights, aging
- Civil/human rights, aging

Civil/human rights, disabled
- Civil/human rights, disabled
- Civil/human rights, disabled
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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
Community/economic development
Economic development
Economic development, visitors/convention bureau/tourism promotion
Microfinance/microlending
Nonprofit management
Rural development
Social entrepreneurship
Urban/community development

Crime/Law enforcement
Courts/judicial administration
Crime/law enforcement
Crime/law enforcement, correctional facilities
Crime/law enforcement, counterterrorism
Crime/law enforcement, DWI
Crime/law enforcement, missing persons
Crime/law enforcement, police agencies
Crime/violence prevention
Crime/violence prevention, abuse prevention
Crime/violence prevention, child abuse
Crime/violence prevention, domestic violence
Crime/violence prevention, gun control
Crime/violence prevention, sexual abuse
Crime/violence prevention, youth
Dispute resolution
Legal services
Legal services, guardianship
Legal services, public interest law
Legal services, tenant law
Offenders/ex-offenders, bail issues
Offenders/ex-offenders, prison alternatives
Offenders/ex-offenders, probation/parole
Offenders/ex-offenders, rehabilitation
Offenders/ex-offenders, services
Offenders/ex-offenders, transitional care

Education
Adult/continuing education
Adult education—literacy, basic skills & GED
Business school/education
Charter schools
Child development, education
Dental school/education
Education
Education, alumni groups
Education, bilingual programs
Education, community/cooperative
Education, computer literacy/technology training
Education, continuing education
Education, drop-out prevention
Education, e-learning
Education, early childhood education
Education, ESL programs
Education, gifted students
Education, PTA groups
Education, reading
Education, services
Education, special
Education, testing
Elementary school/education
Elementary/secondary education
Elementary/secondary school reform
Engineering school/education
Graduate/professional education
Graduate school reform
Health sciences school/education
Higher education, college
Higher education, college (community/junior)
Higher education reform
Higher education, university
Journalism school/education
Law school/education
Libraries (academic/research)
Libraries (law)
Libraries (medical)
Libraries (public)
Libraries (school)
Libraries (special)

Employment
Employment
Employment, homebound work
Employment, job counseling
Employment, labor unions/organizations
Employment, retraining
Employment, services
Employment, sheltered workshops
Employment, training
Employment, vocational rehabilitation
Goodwill Industries

Environment
Botanical gardens
Botanical/horticulture/landscape services
Environment
Environment, air pollution
Environment, beautification programs
Environment, energy
Environment, forests
Environment, climate change/greenhouse warming
Environment, land resources
Environment, natural resources
Environment, noise pollution
Environment, plant conservation
Environment, pollution control
Environment, radiation control
Environment, recycling
Environment, toxics
Environment, waste management
Environment, water pollution
Environment, water resources
Environmental education
Horticulture/garden clubs
Landscaping

Health care
Art & music therapy
Dental care
End of life care

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Health care
Health care, blood supply
Health care, burn centers
Health care, clinics/centers
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, halfway 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
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Bangladesh
Barbados
Belarus
Belgium
Belize
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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
Gibraltar
Global programs
Greece
Greenland
Grenada
Guadeloupe
Guatemala
Guernsey
Guinea
Guinea-Bissau
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Hong Kong
Hungary
Iceland
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Indonesia
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Ireland
Isle of Man
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Italy
Ivory Coast
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Kiribati
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Kyrgyzstan
Laos
Latin America
Latvia
Lebanon
Leeward Islands
Lesotho
Liberia
Libya
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
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Malaysia
Maldives
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Mauritania

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**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 (mutual)
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
Disabilities, people with
Drug abusers use Substance abusers
Economically disadvantaged
Girls
Hispanics/Latinos
Homeless
Immigrants/refugees
Indigenous peoples
Infants/toddlers
Infants/toddlers, female
Infants/toddlers, male
LGBTQ
Men
Mentally disabled
Migrant workers
Military/veterans
Minorities
Native Americans/American Indians
Offenders/ex-offenders
People with AIDS (PWAs)
Physically disabled
Sex workers
Single parents
Substance abusers
Terminal illness, people with
Veterans use Military/veterans
Women
Youth

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

Recreation
Athletics/sports, academies
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Athletics/sports, Olympics
Athletics/sports, professional leagues
Athletics/sports, school programs
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Athletics/sports, training
Athletics/sports, water sports
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Recreation
Recreation, adaptive sports
Recreation, camps
Recreation, centers
Recreation, community
Recreation, country clubs
Recreation, fairs/festivals
Recreation, parks/playgrounds
Recreation, social clubs

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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**Social sciences**

American studies
Anthropology/sociology
Black studies
Economics
Ethnic studies
Gerontology

**Youth development**

Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Boy scouts

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Types of Support Authority List

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 benefitting 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.

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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 “start-up 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.