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

### 28 Broad Fields of Interest

| Agriculture/Food      | Environment   | Mental health/Crisis services | Safety/disasters
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### Agriculture/Food

- Agriculture
- 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/zooological societies

### Arts/Humanities

- Art history
- Arts
- Arts, artist's services
- Arts councils
- Arts, cultural/ethnic awareness
- Arts education
- Arts, folk arts
- Arts, multipurpose centers/programs
- Arts, services
- Historic preservation/historical societies
- Historical activities
- Historical activities, centennials
- Historical activities, genealogy
- Historical activities, war memorials
- History/archaeology
- Humanities
- Language (classical)
- Language (foreign)
- Language/linguistics
- Literature
- Media/communications
- Media, film/video
- Media, journalism/publishing
- Media, radio
- Media, television
- Museums
- Museums (art)
- Museums (children's)
- Museums (ethnic/folk arts)
- Museums (history)
- Museums (marine/maritime)
- Museums (natural history)
- Museums (science/technology)
- Museums (specialized)
- Museums (sports/hobby)
- Performing arts
- Performing arts (multimedia)
- Performing arts, ballet
- Performing arts centers
- Performing arts, choreography
- Performing arts, circus arts
- Performing arts, dance
- Performing arts, education
- Performing arts, music
- Performing arts, music (choral)
- Performing arts, music composition
- Performing arts, music ensembles/groups
- Performing arts, opera
- Performing arts, orchestras
- Performing arts, theater
- Performing arts, theater (musical)
- Performing arts, theater (playwriting)
- Philosophy/ethics
- Planetarium
- Theology
- Visual arts
- Visual arts, architecture
- Visual arts, art conservation
- Visual arts, ceramic arts
- Visual arts, design
- Visual arts, drawing
- Visual arts, painting
- Visual arts, photography
- Visual arts, sculpture

### Civil Rights

- Children's rights
- Civil liberties, advocacy
- Civil liberties, death penalty issues
- Civil liberties, due process
- Civil liberties, first amendment
- Civil liberties, freedom of information
- Civil liberties, freedom of religion
- Civil liberties, reproductive rights
- Civil liberties, right to privacy
- Civil liberties, right to life
- Civil liberties, right to die
- Civil rights, race/intergroup relations
- Civil rights, voter education
- Civil/human rights
- Civil/human rights, advocacy
- Civil/human rights, aging
- Civil/human rights, disabled
- Civil/human rights, immigrants
- Civil/human rights, LGBTQ
- Civil/human rights, minorities
- Civil/human rights, women
- Patients' 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
- 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, alumni groups
- Education, bilingual programs
- Education, community/cooperative
- Education, continuing education
- Education, drop-out prevention
- 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)
- Libraries, archives
- Libraries/library science
- Medical school/education
- Nursing school/education
- Public health school/education
- Scholarships/financial aid
- Secondary school/education
- Social work school/education
- Student services/organizations
- Students, sororities/fraternities
- Teacher school/education
- Theological school/education
- Vocational education

### 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, global 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
- 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
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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
Genetics/birth defects
Geriatrics
Health organizations
Heart & circulatory diseases
Hematology
Hemophilia
Immunology
Internal medicine
Kidney diseases
Learning disorders
Liver disorders
Lung diseases
Lupus
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
Surgery
Tropical diseases

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
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

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**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
- Gibraltar
- Global programs
- Greece
- Greenland
- Grenada
- Guadeloupe
- Guatemala
- Guernsey
- Guinea
- Guinea-Bissau
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Hong Kong
- Hungary
- Iceland
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Ireland
- Isle of Man
- Israel
- Italy
- Ivory Coast
- Jamaica
- Japan
- Jersey
- Jordan
- Kazakhstan
- Kenya
- Kiribati
- Kosovo
- Kuwait
- Kyrgyzstan
- Laos
- Latin America
- Latvia
- Lebanon
- Leeward Islands
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Libya
- Liechtenstein
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Macau
- Macedonia
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Mali
- Malta
- Marshall Islands
- Martinique
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Mexico
- Middle East
- Moldova
- Monaco
- Mongolia
- Montenegro
- Montserrat
- Morocco and the Western Sahara
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Nauru
- Nepal
- Netherlands
- Netherlands Antilles

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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, Somaliiland 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
Tahiti
Taiwan
Tajikistan
Tanzania, Zanzibar and Pemba
Thailand
Togo
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
Genetics/birth defects research
Geriatrics research
Heart & circulatory research
Hematology research
Hemophilia research
Immunology research
Internal medicine research
Kidney research
Learning disorders research
Liver research
Lung research
Lupus research
Medical research
Medical specialty research
Multiple sclerosis research
Muscular dystrophy research
Myasthenia gravis research
Nerve, muscle & bone research
Neuroscience research
Obstetrics/gynecology research
Organ research
Orthopedics research
Parasitic diseases research
Parkinson's disease research
Pathology research
Pediatrics research
Pharmacology research
Prostate cancer research
Sickle cell research
SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) research
Skin disorders research
Spine disorders 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
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))
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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
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
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 communication
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
Athletics/sports, amateur leagues
Athletics/sports, baseball
Athletics/sports, basketball
Athletics/sports, equestrianism
Athletics/sports, fishing/hunting
Athletics/sports, football
Athletics/sports, golf
Athletics/sports, Olympics
Athletics/sports, professional leagues
Athletics/sports, school programs
Athletics/sports, racquet sports
Athletics/sports, soccer
Athletics/sports, Special Olympics
Athletics/sports, training
Athletics/sports, water sports
Athletics/sports, winter sports
Recreation
Recreation, adaptive sports
Recreation, camps
Recreation, centers
Recreation, community facilities
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
Astronomy
Biological sciences
Botany
Chemistry
Computer science
Engineering
Engineering/technology
Geology
Marine science
Mathematics
Physical/earth sciences
Physics
Science
Space/aviation

Social sciences
American studies
Anthropology/sociology
Black studies
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Economics  
Ethnic studies  
Gerontology  
International studies  
Labor studies  
Law/international law  
Paranormal/mystic studies  
Political science  
Population studies  
Poverty studies  
Psychology/behavioral science  
Rural studies  
Social sciences  
Social sciences, interdisciplinary studies  
Urban studies  
Women's studies  

Unknown/not classified  

Youth development  
Big Brothers/Big Sisters  
Boy scouts  
Boys & girls clubs  
Boys clubs  
Camp Fire  
Girl scouts  
Girls clubs  

Youth development  
Youth development, adult & child programs  
Youth development, agriculture  
Youth development, business  
Youth development, centers/clubs  
Youth development, citizenship  
Youth development, community service clubs  
Youth development, intergenerational programs  
Youth development, religion  
Youth development, scouting agencies (general)  
Youth development, services
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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.

**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 systems/equipment:** Grants to purchase or develop automated systems.

**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.
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**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.

**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 (institutional support): Assistance in the form of educational grants, loans, or scholarships.

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.

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.