SPOTLIGHT ON HEALTH GRANTMAKING IN CALIFORNIA

The Foundation Center’s mission is to strengthen the nonprofit sector by advancing knowledge about U.S. philanthropy. In this report, we shine a spotlight on health grantmaking in California. We hope this brief look at California grantmakers and recipients and those outside California that support the state’s health programs will help you gain insights about the state of health philanthropy in California.

This report includes statistical charts and tables based on the Center’s annual grants sample, a mini-directory of significant health funders in California, and a profile of the California Endowment’s new Center for Healthy Communities.

CALIFORNIA GRANTS SAMPLE

Each year the Foundation Center indexes all of the grants of $10,000 and more awarded by more than 1,000 of the nation’s largest foundations. Our most recent (2004) sample includes over 126,000 grants awarded by 1,172 U.S. foundations totaling $15.5 billion. Of the sampled foundations, 119 were based in California.

The charts on the right are based on the 96 California foundations in the 2004 sample that made health-related grants to California-based recipients. Their giving totaled $340 million. A mini-directory of selected California funders focused on health is supplemented by a table listing the top non-California foundations that also provide significant health funding in the state. A list of the top 15 health-related grant recipients in California from the entire 2004 grants sample rounds out the picture.

PRIMARY PURPOSE

Funding for General and Rehabilitative Health—which includes support for hospitals and in-patient care, outpatient clinics and care, public health, reproductive health, and health care financing and policy, among other purposes—accounted for 64% of all California giving for health in the state. Within that category, hospital and medical care was equal with public health in capturing the largest share of grant dollars, followed by health care financing, and reproductive health care.

TARGET POPULATION

Among those specified, economically disadvantaged populations benefited from nearly half of California health grant dollars. Ethnic or racial minorities and children and youth followed with 38% and 36%, respectively.
MINI-DIRECTORY OF CALIFORNIA FOUNDATIONS
THAT FUND HEALTH PROGRAMS

The following private and community foundations were identified in the Foundation Center’s 2004 grants sample as awarding the greatest amount of health grant dollars to California recipients. For most of the funders in this directory, health is just one among many areas of interest for their grantmaking. The descriptions provided here attempt to capture just their health interests, but should not be taken as an indication that they devote their grantmaking exclusively to health.

The Ahmanson Foundation*
Beverly Hills
Web: theahmansonfoundation.org
Description: Emphasis on medicine and health, and a broad range of human service programs in Los Angeles County
Selected Grants:
$500,000 to Pasadena Hospital Association, for reconfiguration and expansion of Emergency Department
$500,000 to Painted Turtle Gang Camp Foundation, for construction of camper cabins for children with life-threatening illnesses
$253,400 to Saint John’s Well Child and Family Center, for renovation of new clinic facility on Hoover Street

California Community Foundation*
Los Angeles
Web: calfund.org
Description: Support for enhanced access to primary health care for the working poor and those living in poverty
Selected Grants:
$3,089,082 to Little Company of Mary Hospital, for establishment of radiology and bilingual services
$170,000 to Asian Pacific Health Care Venture, for chronic care program for diabetic Thai and Filipino Angelenos
$80,000 to Church of Our Saviour, Cleaver Family Wellness Clinic, for primary care services and health education programs for low-income women, particularly Latinas

H. N. & Frances C. Berger Foundation
Palm Desert
Web: hnberger.org
Description: Emphasis on public health and hospitals
Selected Grants:
$1,000,000 to Institute of Critical Care Medicine, for development and construction of new headquarters
$500,000 to Methodist Hospital Foundation, for comprehensive surgical management system
$100,000 to Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, for AIDS/HIV research

Eli and Edythe L. Broad Foundation*
Los Angeles
Web: broadmedical.org
Description: The Broad Medical Research Program specifically supports inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) research
Selected Grants:
$158,038 to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, for IBD research
$123,020 to Burnham Institute, for IBD research
$120,000 to University of California, Riverside, for IBD research

The California Endowment*
Los Angeles
Web: calendow.org
Description: Strives to expand access to affordable, quality health care for underserved individuals and communities, and to promote fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians
Selected Grants:
$4,294,537 to Children Now, for expansion of 100 Percent Campaign
$4,056,779 to Public Health Institute, for Building Communities, for Healthy Eating and Physical Activity program
$2,600,000 to Rural Community Assistance Corporation, for Agricultural Worker Community Health and Housing Assistance program

The California Wellness Foundation*
Woodland Hills
Web: tcwf.org
Description: Makes grants for health promotion, wellness education, and disease prevention
Selected Grants:
$1,000,000 (2.25-year) to Public Health Institute, for implementation of technical support program to assist foundation grantees
$600,000 to California Coalition for Youth, for continued operation of California Youth Crisis Line
$300,000 (3-year) to Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, for preparing disadvantaged community college students in Los Angeles for careers in allied health

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation*
Menlo Park
Web: hewlett.org
Description: The goal of the Foundation’s Population program is to promote voluntary family planning and good reproductive health outcomes for everyone
Selected Grants:
$600,000 (3-year) to Medical Students for Choice, for general operating support
$575,000 (4-year) to ETR Associates, for project to measure impact of improved clinic services at New Generation Health Center
$200,000 to Pacific Institute for Women’s Health, for general operating support

*employs staff ^accepts applications
W. M. Keck Foundation
Los Angeles
Web: wmkeck.org
Description: The foundation disburses grants through its Medical Research program, and its Southern California program supports organizations in the region that promote the education and healthy development of children and youth
Selected Grants:
- $1,000,000 to Scripps Research Institute, for studies of genes that are active in every life phase of the malaria parasite, plasmodium falciparum, to better explain host-parasite relationship and to open the way to new treatments
- $1,000,000 to University of California, San Francisco, for studies of how tuberculosis bacterium evades immune system

$500,000 to National Health Foundation, for joint project with Maternal and Child Health Access and Neighborhood Legal Services to expand health care coverage for low-income children

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation
San Francisco
Web: moore.org
Description: The Betty Irene Moore Nursing Initiative improves the quality of nursing-related patient outcomes in acute care hospitals in five Bay Area counties
Selected Grants:
- $500,000 to Institute for Healthcare Improvement, for 100K Lives Campaign
- $227,200 (6-year) to Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation, for Collaborative Clinical Instructor Program
- $50,000 to California Institute of Nursing and Health Care, for supplemental nursing course

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation
Los Altos
Web: packard.org
Description: The Children, Families, and Communities program seeks to provide access to health insurance for all children that ensures them appropriate health care and supports the Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital. The Population program seeks to slow the rate of growth of the world’s population, expand reproductive health options among the world’s poor, and support reproductive rights
Selected Grants:
- $1,361,500 to Santa Clara Family Health Foundation, for Healthy Kids program
- $1,000,000 (2-year) to Planned Parenthood, Mar Monte, for general operating support
- $750,000 to Lucile Packard Foundation for Children’s Health, for oversight of Children’s Health Initiative

Peninsula Community Foundation
San Mateo
Web: pcf.org
Description: The Health and Wellness Portfolio promotes a healthy community and strengthens the health care safety net for uninsured and underserved persons
Selected Grants:
- $1,613,389 to County of San Mateo, for Children’s Health Initiative
- $1,000,000 to Lucile Packard Foundation for Children’s Health, to establish fellowship in nephrology
- $1,000,000 to Children’s Health Council, for 50th anniversary and endowment campaign

The San Diego Foundation
San Diego
Web: sdfoundation.org
Description: Awards grants on a competitive basis in subject areas including health and human services
Selected Grants:
- $2,000,000 to Children’s Hospital Foundation, for services such as palliative care
- $500,000 to University of California San Diego Foundation, for proposed Cardiovascular Center
- $350,000 to Scripps Foundation for Medicine and Science, for Scripps Clinic Cardiology Fellowship Program

San Francisco Foundation
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Web: sff.org
Description: Funding priority is given to projects that inform public policies, create linked systems of care, develop strong organizations, and empower clients to take control of their own lives with emphasis on mental health, women’s health, AIDS and HIV, elder services, and health care reform
Selected Grants:
- $1,200,000 to University of California, San Francisco, for stem cell research in cardiology
- $150,000 (3-year) to McClymonds High School, for school-based health center
- $100,000 to Center for Attitudinal Healing, for general operating support

UniHealth Foundation
Los Angeles
Web: unihhealthfoundation.org
Description: Supports and facilitates activities that significantly improve the health and well being of communities in Los Angeles and northern Orange County
Selected Grants:
- $443,466 to San Fernando Community Hospital, for Northeast San Fernando Valley Community Oral Health Initiative
- $350,000 to California Science Center Foundation, for Making Healthy Choices
- $311,199 to California Hospital Medical Center, for Nurse-Family Partnership

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Weingart Foundation
Los Angeles
Web: weingartfdn.org
Description: Support for community and social services, education, health care with strong emphasis on programs for children and youth and homeless health care.
Selected Grants:
- $1,000,000 (3-year) to California Community Foundation, for L. A. Health Care Coalition’s health care coverage project
- $899,790, (4-year) to Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County, for expanded and improved health services in the Skid Row area of Los Angeles
- $400,000 (2-year) to College of the Canyons Foundation, for Associate Degree in Nursing Regional Collaborative program to increase the number of registered nurses in Southern California

Top 10 California private and community foundations awarding health grant dollars to California recipients*

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<td>$40,927,500</td>
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<td>3. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation</td>
<td>$31,003,085</td>
<td>92</td>
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<td>4. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation</td>
<td>$25,206,945</td>
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<td>9. Peninsula Community Foundation</td>
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<td>10. H. N. &amp; Frances C. Berger Foundation</td>
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Top 10 non-California foundations awarding health grants in California

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<td>2. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation</td>
<td>NJ</td>
<td>$14,912,564</td>
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<td>3. The Annenberg Foundation</td>
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<td>4. Donald W. Reynolds Foundation</td>
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<td>5. Doris Duke Charitable Foundation</td>
<td>NY</td>
<td>$2,020,000</td>
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<td>6. James H. Clark Charitable Foundation</td>
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<td>7. Skirball Foundation</td>
<td>NY</td>
<td>$4,692,000</td>
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<td>8. Burroughs Wellcome Fund</td>
<td>NC</td>
<td>$3,816,083</td>
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<td>9. The Sidney Kimmel Foundation</td>
<td>PA</td>
<td>$3,450,000</td>
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<td>10. Lewis B. &amp; Dorothy Cullman Foundation</td>
<td>NY</td>
<td>$3,067,258</td>
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Real social change depends on coalitions forming across sectors, disciplines, systems, and cultures. By combining much-needed resources into one accessible location, the Center for Healthy Communities aims to become the premier venue for activities addressing California’s health challenges, and a launch pad for collaborative action.”

— Gwen Walden, Director, Center for Healthy Communities

Community empowerment to improve health and health care for all Californians is the guiding vision of the Center for Healthy Communities. The Center seeks to mobilize civic leaders, health providers, advocates, and policymakers in the quest for solutions to critical health and mental health issues.

Six years in the making, the California Endowment’s newly opened Center for Healthy Communities was created as a direct result of feedback from dozens of community groups and local leaders who were asked about their most pressing needs. Through grantmaking, conferences, convenings, trainings, seminars, and publications, the Center is dedicated to supporting the regional and statewide community of health advocates, policymakers, and grassroots leaders working to improve the health and health status of Californians. A place to collaborate, learn, and exchange ideas about health and health policy research and practice, the Center features a newly constructed conference venue available for use by qualified nonprofits and a variety of services and training programs both on-site and throughout the state.

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