



Top 25 Minnesota Corporate Grantmakers, 2008

Largest corporate foundations and corporate giving programs based in Minnesota ranked by grants, corporate giving, and program-related investments (PRIs) paid in 2008

(Source: Minnesota Council on Foundations, October 2009)

2008 Rank	Corporate Foundation/Giving Program	Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid ¹	Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN	Foundation Assets	Fiscal Year End	2007 Rank
1	Target Foundation & Corporation ²	\$138,231,699	\$22,525,815	\$10,798,000	1/31/09	—
2	General Mills Foundation & Corporation	\$71,170,493	\$16,701,454	\$63,433,021	5/31/09	1
3	Cargill Foundation & Cargill Incorporated ³	\$58,222,000	\$13,407,000	\$108,455,000	12/31/08 & 5/31/09 respectively	3
4	UnitedHealth Group & United Health Foundation ⁴	\$56,220,758	\$4,998,754	\$15,873,000	12/31/08	4
5	Medtronic Foundation & Corporation ⁵	\$49,042,214	\$10,370,319	\$111,122,797	4/30/09	2
6	Best Buy Children's Foundation & Corporation ⁶	\$30,023,000	\$6,200,000	n/a ⁷	2/28/09	5
7	3M Foundation & Corporation	\$25,227,000	\$13,264,000	\$23,300,000	12/31/08	6
8	U.S. Bancorp Foundation	\$20,707,594	\$3,104,778	\$11,155,944	12/31/08	8
9	Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Foundation & Corporation ⁸	\$20,163,446	\$4,325,199	\$72,419,000	12/31/08	7
10	Travelers Companies, Inc. and Travelers Foundation	\$19,008,240	\$8,657,336	n/a	12/31/08	9
11	St. Jude Medical Inc. and Foundation	\$12,100,000	\$1,570,000	n/a	12/31/08	14
12	Xcel Energy Foundation & Corporate Citizenship	\$12,068,063	\$2,488,670	\$2,869,097	12/31/08	12
13	Wells Fargo Foundation Minnesota & Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota ⁹	\$10,349,031	\$10,349,031	\$400,000,000	12/31/08	10
14	The Mosaic Company	\$8,100,000	\$600,000	n/a	5/31/09	—
15	Ameriprise Financial, Inc.	\$7,689,376	\$2,000,000	n/a	12/31/08	11
16	Ecolab Foundation & Corporation	\$4,764,313	\$3,367,605	n/a	12/31/08	13
17	The Pentair Foundation	\$4,508,647	\$1,846,643	\$1,847,853	12/31/08	16
18	Andersen Corporate Foundation & Andersen Corporation ¹⁰	\$3,602,250	\$1,559,750	\$35,000,000	11/30/08	15
19	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation & Corporation	\$3,306,313	\$3,218,013	\$37,207,718	12/31/08	17
20	RBC Foundation - USA	\$3,149,578	\$1,501,766	\$296,875	10/31/08	18
21	Opus Foundation	\$3,065,130	\$466,750	\$58,000,000	12/31/08	—
22	TCF Foundation	\$3,000,000	\$1,000,000	n/a	12/31/08	21
23	The Graco Foundation	\$2,785,266	\$2,388,111	\$1,441,865	12/31/08	19
24	Deluxe Corporation Foundation/Deluxe Corporation	\$2,737,907	\$1,341,958	\$23,696,890	12/31/08	20
25	Marquette Financial Companies Community Support Program	\$2,217,360	\$1,510,800	n/a	12/31/08	—

¹ The Minnesota Council on Foundations (MCF) compiles a ranking of the top corporate funders each year based on cash contributions. In order to ensure that grantmakers are compared consistently, MCF does not include in the totals in-kind or other non-cash contributions such as products, services or volunteer time, which many corporate grantmakers also give.

² For 2007, Target Foundation & Corporation only reported combined cash and in-kind contributions and were not ranked.

³ Cargill Foundation & Cargill Incorporated's "Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN" does not include business unit contributions.

⁴ United Health Foundation has additional direct charitable distributions in the form of mission-related programs and projects that amount to \$6,800,000.

⁵ Medtronic Foundation & Corporation's "Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN" does not include corporate giving.

⁶ Best Buy Children's Foundation & Corporation's "Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN" includes \$2,800,000 to Scholarship America which administers scholarships to students nationwide and in Puerto Rico.

⁷ Data not available.

⁸ Totals do not include Fraternal Giving. In 2008 Thrivent Financial for Lutherans national Fraternal Giving totaled \$126.2 million. Minnesota Fraternal Giving totaled \$8,711,864.