



### Top 50 Minnesota Grantmakers by Grants Paid, 2008

Largest foundations and corporate grantmakers 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	Foundation/Corporate Grantmaker	Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid <sup>1</sup>	Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN	Foundation Assets	Fiscal Year End	2007 Rank
1	Target Foundation & Corporation <sup>2</sup>	\$138,231,699	\$22,525,815	\$10,798,000	1/31/09	—
2	The McKnight Foundation	\$99,486,687	\$68,645,814	\$1,582,042,000	12/31/08	1
3	General Mills Foundation & Corporation	\$71,170,493	\$16,701,454	\$63,433,021	5/31/09	2
4	The Saint Paul Foundation <sup>3</sup>	\$64,845,548	n/a <sup>4</sup>	\$710,435,779	12/31/08	3
5	Cargill Foundation & Cargill Incorporated <sup>5</sup>	\$58,222,000	\$13,407,000	\$108,455,000	12/31/08 & 5/31/09 respectively	6
6	UnitedHealth Group & United Health Foundation <sup>6</sup>	\$56,220,758	\$4,998,754	\$15,873,000	12/31/08	10
7	Medtronic Foundation & Corporation <sup>7</sup>	\$49,042,214	\$10,370,319	\$111,122,797	4/30/09	5
8	The Minneapolis Foundation <sup>8</sup>	\$42,555,560	\$35,098,155	\$481,178,318	3/31/09	4
9	Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community	\$40,443,899	n/a	n/a	9/30/08	12
10	Fred C. and Katherine B. Andersen Foundation	\$38,354,110	\$26,000,000	\$574,716,301	12/31/08	8
11	Bush Foundation	\$34,656,828	\$26,943,400	\$681,000,000	12/31/08	7
12	Best Buy Children's Foundation & Corporation <sup>9</sup>	\$30,023,000	\$6,200,000	n/a	2/28/09	11
13	Otto Bremer Foundation	\$28,749,371	\$20,113,022	\$638,466,755	12/31/08	9
14	3M Foundation & Corporation	\$25,227,000	\$13,264,000	\$23,300,000	12/31/08	13
15	U.S. Bancorp Foundation	\$20,707,594	\$3,104,778	\$11,155,944	12/31/08	16
16	Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Foundation & Corporation <sup>10</sup>	\$20,163,446	\$4,325,199	\$72,419,000	12/31/08	15
17	Travelers Companies, Inc. and Travelers Foundation	\$19,008,240	\$8,657,336	n/a	12/31/08	18
18	Blandin Foundation	\$14,340,649	\$14,340,649	\$331,825,635	12/31/08	17
19	Northwest Area Foundation	\$12,187,044	\$2,559,185	\$337,607,563	3/31/09	14
20	St. Jude Medical Inc. and Foundation	\$12,100,000	\$1,570,000	n/a	12/31/08	27
21	Xcel Energy Foundation & Corporate Citizenship	\$12,068,063	\$2,488,670	\$2,869,097	12/31/08	25
22	Wells Fargo Foundation Minnesota & Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota <sup>11</sup>	\$10,349,031	\$10,349,031	\$400,000,000	12/31/08	19
23	The Jay and Rose Phillips Family Foundation	\$9,504,969	\$6,129,459	\$185,000,000	12/31/08	20
24	Lutheran Community Foundation	\$9,311,507	\$2,271,118	\$166,000,000	12/31/08	21
25	Carl and Eloise Pohlad Family Foundation	\$8,674,291	\$7,821,365	\$110,025,133	12/31/08	22
26	The Mosaic Company	\$8,100,000	\$600,000	n/a	5/31/09	—
27	F.R. Bigelow Foundation	\$8,091,034	\$8,091,034	\$111,048,615	12/31/08	23
28	WEM Foundation	\$8,036,307	\$877,950	\$153,969,685	12/31/08	28
29	Ameriprise Financial, Inc.	\$7,689,376	\$2,000,000	n/a	12/31/08	24
30	The Hormel Foundation	\$6,761,189	\$6,761,189	\$223,000,820	11/30/08	44
31	Central Minnesota Community Foundation	\$6,715,772	n/a	\$58,508,570	6/30/08	29
32	Robina Foundation	\$6,678,535	\$2,928,535	\$27,930,568	12/31/08	—
33	Catholic Community Foundation in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis	\$6,591,813	n/a	\$178,101,406	6/30/08	30
34	ClearWay Minnesota	\$5,302,758	\$5,291,757	\$159,669,245	6/30/08	41
35	Ecolab Foundation & Corporation	\$4,764,313	\$3,367,605	n/a	12/31/08	26
36	The Pentair Foundation	\$4,508,647	\$1,846,643	\$1,847,853	12/31/08	42
37	The Curtis L. Carlson Family Foundation	\$4,329,106	\$3,409,049	\$73,141,534	12/31/08	36
38	Alliss Educational Foundation	\$4,300,000	\$4,300,000	\$79,353,969	12/31/08	32
39	Andreas Foundation	\$4,126,378	\$30,000	\$61,610,508	11/30/08	—
40	Thomas J. Petters Family Foundation <sup>12</sup>	\$3,955,500	\$1,094,500	\$318	12/31/07	43
41	Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation	\$3,802,600	\$3,802,600	\$57,116,351	12/31/08	—
42	I.A. O'Shaughnessy Foundation, Incorporated	\$3,760,894	\$1,155,000	\$70,000,000	12/31/08	35
43	Andersen Corporate Foundation & Andersen Corporation <sup>13</sup>	\$3,602,250	\$1,559,750	\$35,000,000	11/30/08	40
44	Fidelis Foundation	\$3,600,406	n/a	\$13,379,826	9/30/08	49

45	West Central Initiative	\$3,566,647	\$3,566,647	\$44,256,483	6/30/08	34
46	Healthier Minnesota Community Clinic Fund <sup>14</sup>	\$3,556,921	\$3,556,921	\$26,376,898	12/31/07	—
47	Hugh J. Andersen Foundation	\$3,404,937	\$2,753,487	\$53,500,000	2/28/09	33
48	Albert W. Cherne Foundation	\$3,315,000	\$1,250,000	\$7,795,196	12/31/08	—
49	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation & Corporation	\$3,306,313	\$3,218,013	\$37,207,718	12/31/08	46
50	George Family Foundation	\$3,294,708	\$1,288,570	\$47,759,292	12/31/08	50

<sup>1</sup> The Minnesota Council on Foundations (MCF) compiles a ranking of the top 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.

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

<sup>3</sup> The Saint Paul Foundation includes the Minnesota Community Foundation, J. Paper Foundation, and L. and A.F. Paper Foundation.

<sup>4</sup> Data not available.

<sup>5</sup> Cargill Foundation & Cargill Incorporated's "Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN" does not include business unit contributions.

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

<sup>7</sup> Medtronic Foundation & Corporation's "Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN" does not include corporate giving.

<sup>8</sup> The Minneapolis Foundation includes Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi Foundation for Children and Nonprofits Assistance Fund.

<sup>9</sup> 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.

<sup>10</sup> 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.

<sup>11</sup> Wells Fargo Foundation and Wells Fargo Bank (both based in California) total U.S. cash contributions: \$226,000,000.

<sup>12</sup> Thomas J. Petters Family Foundation figures are for 2007, the latest year for which data are available.

<sup>13</sup> Andersen Corporate Foundation & Andersen Corporation's "Grants/PRIs/Corporate Giving Paid in MN" does not include Andersen Corporation grants.

<sup>14</sup> Healthier Minnesota Community Clinic Fund figures are for 2007, the latest year for which data are available.