

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation

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E-mail: info@pgafamilyfoundation.orgURL: www.pgafamilyfoundation.org**Type of Grantmaker**

Independent foundation

Additional Descriptor: Family foundation**Financial Data** (yr. ended 12/31/11): Assets: \$284,515,138; Total giving: \$15,423,497**EIN:** 943082532**990-PF:** [2011](#) [2010](#) [2009](#) [2008](#) [2007](#) [2006](#) [2005](#) [2004](#) [2003](#) [2002](#) [2001](#)[E-Grant Reporter](#)**Last Updated:** 5/20/2013**Additional Contact Information**Additional contact inf. for Lisa Arnold, e-mail: lisaa@pgafamilyfoundation.org, fax: (206) 342-3085**Online Communications**[Paul G. Allen's Giving Pledge Profile](#)[Grants Database](#)**Donor(s)**

Paul G. Allen

The Paul G. Allen Foundation for Medical Research

The Paul G. Allen Virtual Education Foundation

The Allen Foundation for Music

Economic Crisis Information

The Basic Needs program funds nonprofits that provide food and shelter to the most vulnerable populations in the Pacific Northwest. Grant applications are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Background

Established in 2005 in WA. In 2004, The Paul G. Allen Charitable Foundation, along with The Allen Foundation for the Arts, The Paul G. Allen Foundation for Medical Research, The Paul G. Allen Forest Protection Foundation, The Allen Foundation for Music, and The Paul G. Allen Virtual Education Foundation, were consolidated into a new foundation, The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation.

Founded by Paul G. Allen and his sister, Jo Lynn Allen. Paul G. Allen co-founded Microsoft with Bill Gates in 1975. He is also co-founder and chairman of Vulcan Inc. Ms. Allen is President and C.E.O. of Vulcan Inc., the project and investment management firm she co-founded with Mr. Allen, in 1986. Under the auspices of parent company Vulcan Inc., Mr. Allen is invested in more than 50 companies that cross-sect a wide array of industries, including cable TV and telecommunications, sports, technology, aerospace, entertainment, biotechnology, oil and real estate.

Paul G. Allen has committed to The Giving Pledge, and has pledged to give away at least half of his wealth to philanthropy.

Limitations

Giving primarily in the Pacific Northwest, including AK, ID, MT, OR and WA.

No support for sectarian or religious organizations whose principle activity is for the benefit of their own members or adherents, or for organizations whose policies or practices discriminate on the basis of ethnic, origin, gender, race, religion, or sexual orientation.

No grants to individuals or for general operating support, annual appeals, federated campaigns, general fund drives, scholarships, special events or sponsorships, or for projects not aligned with the foundation's specified program areas; no loans.

Purpose and Activities

The mission of the foundation is to transform lives and strengthen communities by fostering innovation, creating knowledge, and promoting social programs. The foundation advances its mission through focusing on the following key areas: arts and culture, asset building, basic needs, libraries, innovations in science and technology and youth education.

Program Area(s)

The grantmaker has identified the following area(s) of interest:

Arts and Culture

The program nurtures creative expression and promotes critical thinking through the creation and presentation of artistic works that address the social, political, and cultural issues of the current times. The foundation also helps cultural organizations strengthen their infrastructure and adapt their business models to sustain themselves in changing times.

Grant applications for this program are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Asset Building

The program helps low-income individuals and families achieve long-term economic stability and success. It does this by supporting financial education, entrepreneurship, home ownership, and employment training and placement. Grant applications for this program are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Basic Needs

The program helps the region's most vulnerable residents meet their basic needs, including food and shelter. Grant applications for this program are by invitation only. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Education

The program partners with public schools and districts in Washington state and Oregon to implement sustainable, research-based advances that lead to measurable improvements in student achievement. The Foundation supports projects at the school or district level that integrate the following features: rigorous academics; critical thinking; internships with working professionals; community engagement. Grant applications for this program are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Libraries 2013

The program supports library projects that encourage children to become lifelong readers and develop their skills in tandem with the discovery of literature. The foundation helps libraries in their efforts to become more intentional in their children's programming and in programs which combine reading skills with knowledge of how to use other library resources. Grant applications are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Libraries 2014

The program strengthens the role public librarians play in connecting people to information and ideas. The foundation helps librarians increase community use of public library services, and cultivate interest in programs centered around books and media. The foundation seeks innovative projects that help libraries adapt to a rapidly changing environment, and offers risk capital to develop and experiment with new models of patron service. Grant applications for this program

are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted. The foundation encourages nonprofits with projects that appear to be aligned to contact program staff through the foundation's web site.

Science and Technology

The program advances promising research and technological developments that have the potential to expand knowledge, improve health, and protect the environment. Grant applications for this program are by invitation. Unsolicited proposals and letters of inquiry are not accepted.

Fields of Interest**Subjects**

Arts
Education
Human services
Libraries (public)
Museums
Performing arts
Science
Youth, services

Population Groups

Children/youth
Economically disadvantaged
Native Americans/American Indians

Geographic Focus

Alaska
Idaho
Montana
Oregon
Washington

Types of Support

Building/renovation
Capital campaigns
Emergency funds
Income development
Management development/capacity building
Matching/challenge support
Program development
Program evaluation
Research
Technical assistance

Publications

Application guidelines
Grants list
Multi-year report
Occasional report

Application Information

Unsolicited letters of inquiry and proposals are not accepted. Full proposals are by invitation. Although foundation's process is by invitation, applicants are encouraged to contact the staff through the foundation's web site if their projects are aligned with the foundation's programs. Copies of proposal: 1

Board meeting date(s): Spring and fall

Final notification: 7 months

Officers and Directors

Note: An asterisk () following an individual's name indicates an officer who is also a trustee or director.*

Paul G. Allen,* Chairperson

Affiliation(s):

Vulcan Inc., Chairperson

Football Northwest LLC, Chairperson

First and Goal Inc., Chairperson

Microsoft, Co-Founder

Experience Music Project / Science Fiction Museum & Hall of Fame, Founder

Portland Trail Blazers, Founder

Jo Lynn Allen,* President

Affiliation(s):

Vulcan Inc., Co-Founder, Chief Executive Officer and President

Experience Music Project / Science Fiction Museum and Hall of Fame, Director

First & Goal Inc., Vice-Chairperson

ArtsFund, Board Member

Susan M. Coliton, Vice President

Affiliation(s):

Vulcan Inc., Vice President, Collections Dept.

Susan Drake, Vice President

Affiliation(s):

Vulcan, Inc., Sr. Director, Taxation

Allen D. Israel, Secretary

Staff

Number of Staff

8 full-time professional

Key Staff

Note: Does not include officers.

Lisa Arnold, Grants Manager and Library Program

Bonnie Benjamin-Phariss, Program Officer

Sophie Brougham, Business Manager

Val Bush, Grants Specialist

Jim McDonald, Sr. Program Officer, Arts and Culture

Kathryn Richmond, Sr. Program Officer, Science and Technology

Christina Siderius, Media Relations

Lisa Stavros, Admin. Assistant

William Vesneski, Director, Evaluation, Planning and Research

Memberships

Regional Associations of Grantmakers

Philanthropy Northwest

Affinity Groups

Grantmakers In the Arts

Grantmakers for Children, Youth and Families

Associations and Other Philanthropic Organizations

Council on Foundations

Financial Data

Year ended 12/31/11:

Assets: \$284,515,138 (market value)

Gifts received: \$295,480,000

Expenditures: \$15,427,787

Total giving: \$15,423,497

Qualifying distributions: \$15,427,647

Giving activities include:

\$15,423,497 for 210 grants (high: \$600,000; low: \$235; average: \$25,000-\$300,000)

Additional Location Information

County: King

Metropolitan area: Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA

Congressional district: Washington District 7

Selected Grants

The following grants are a representative sample of this grantmaker's funding activity:

\$3,000,000 to University of Washington Foundation, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For the Kenneth S. and Faye G. Allen Library Endowment, payable over 1 year.

\$2,000,000 to Lakeside School, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For capital campaign to build athletics center, payable over 1 year.

\$600,000 to Seattle Public School District, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For capacity building project focused on development and implementation of Diplomas Now Tool. Diplomas Now operates in middle and high schools and is a public-private partnership between three major national nonprofits, local school districts and our funders, payable over 1 year.

\$340,000 to Book-It Repertory Theater, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For the Faye G. Allen Book-It Roadshow, payable over 1 year.

\$200,000 to Artspace, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For capital campaign for construction of Mount Baker Station Lofts, payable over 1 year.

\$190,000 to Library Foundation, Portland, OR, in 2012. For capacity building project for new models of Reader Advisory services, payable over 1 year.

\$150,000 to Home Forward, Portland, OR, in 2012. To develop a financial education curriculum for affordable housing residents in Multnomah County, payable over 1 year.

\$150,000 to Washington Community Alliance for Self Help, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For asset building program for low-income entrepreneurs, payable over 1 year.

\$116,000 to Online Computer Library Center, Seattle, WA, in 2012. To support capacity building of public libraries for community engagement, payable over 1 year.

\$100,000 to Innovative Changes, Portland, OR, in 2012. To enhance loan program and financial education curriculum, payable over 1 year.

\$100,000 to Seattle Tilth Association, Seattle, WA, in 2012. To expand microenterprise program for low-income farmers, payable over 1 year.

\$50,000 to Association for the Advancement of Contemporary Dance, Boise, ID, in 2012. For capacity building toward implementation of earned income project, payable over 1 year.

\$28,063 to Special Olympics Washington, Seattle, WA, in 2012. For youth activities through Spirit of 12 program, payable over 1 year.

\$25,000 to Hockaday Museum of Art, Kalispell, MT, in 2012. For capacity building project for audience research and

marketing, payable over 1 year.

\$20,000 to Boise Contemporary Theater, Boise, ID, in 2012. For production of A Nighttime Survival Guide, payable over 1 year.

\$10,000 to Bunnell Street Arts Center, Homer, AK, in 2012. For Visual Art Exhibition program, payable over 1 year.

[Want to see more grants for this grantmaker? Try our Search Grants database.](#)

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Online Communications

[Click to Empower Domestic Violence Survivors on Facebook](#)

[Keep the Drive on Facebook](#)

[Purple Purse](#)

[Act Out Loud on Facebook](#)

[Click to Empower Domestic Violence Survivors on MySpace](#)

[Click To Empower - Home](#)

[Click to Empower Domestic Violence Survivors on Twitter](#)

[Keep the Drive on Youtube](#)

[YouTube](#)

Donor(s)

The Allstate Corp.

Allstate Insurance Co.

Allstate New Jersey Insurance Co.

Economic Crisis Information

The foundation is primarily renewing support for existing partners and is only accepting applications for new relationships in the areas of teen driving and economic empowerment for victims of domestic violence.

Background

Incorporated in 1952 in IL.

Limitations

Giving in on a national basis in areas of company operations, in AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV, and WY; giving also to regional and national organizations.

No support for religious organizations not of direct benefit to the entire community. Also, ONLY 501(c)3 tax status organizations are eligible.

No grants to individuals (except for Keep the Drive High School Journalism Awards), or for fundraising events or sponsorships, equipment not part of a community outreach program, athletic events, memorials, travel, or audio, film, or video production.

Purpose and Activities

The foundation supports programs designed to address teen safe driving and domestic violence. Additionally, the Foundation also supports programs designed to promote safe and vital communities; economic empowerment; and tolerance, inclusion, and diversity.

Program Area(s)

The grantmaker has identified the following area(s) of interest:

Act Out Loud

The foundation, in partnership with National Youth Traffic Safety Month, sponsors a teen-led and school-based activism competition to promote safe driving and to encourage youth to make a difference in their community. Teams of high school students participate in three different activities that focus on stronger teen driver safety laws. Points are awarded based on school participation and project quality. Activities include a SAFE-TEE shirt design contest, creative sign contest, and a Facebook yearbook application. A \$10,000 grand prize is awarded. Visit URL: <http://www.actoutloud.org/> for more information.

Agency Hands in the Community Grants

The foundation awards \$1,000 grants to support the local volunteer efforts of full-time agency owners and personal financial representatives of Allstate. Grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations that seek to improve the quality of life in local communities.

Domestic Violence Program: Moving Ahead Economic Empowerment Grants

The foundation awards grants to state domestic violence coalitions and local programs to enhance projects that help survivors overcome economic challenges and achieve financial independence. Special emphasis is directed toward financial education through the use of Allstate's Moving Ahead Through Money Management Curriculum; matched saving programs including Individual Development Accounts; job readiness and job training; and microloans and microenterprise.

Domestic Violence Program: Moving Ahead Through Financial Empowerment Curriculum

The foundation, in partnership with the National Network to End Domestic Violence, produces the Moving Ahead Through Financial Management Curriculum which packages tools and information designed to empower survivors to understand and manage their finances. The curriculum is distributed through partnerships with state domestic violence coalitions and is used to educate and train advocates and Allstate volunteers to help domestic violence survivors achieve financial security.

Economic Empowerment

The foundation supports programs designed to empower people with economic resources and knowledge to make informed financial decisions about their future. Special emphasis is directed toward financial and economic literacy; and helping domestic violence survivors live and stay free through financial security.

Helping Hands Grant Program

The foundation awards \$500 grants to charitable, social, or humanitarian organizations with which employees of Allstate volunteer 25 hours or more or teams of employees who volunteer 20 hours or more.

Keep the Drive High School Journalism Awards

The foundation annually awards grants to high school teens who address through print or broadcast journalism the importance of stronger driver laws at the state or national level. Applicants for the print journalism category and must

submit published newspaper articles and applications for the broadcast journalism category must upload broadcast video segments on YouTube. Grand prize winners receive \$2,000, second place winners receive \$1,000, and a third place winner receives \$750. See Web site for additional information, <http://www.keepthedrive.com/>.

Matching Grant Program for Higher Education

The foundation matches contributions made by full-time employees of Allstate to institutions of higher education on a one-for-one basis from \$25 to \$1,000 per employee, per year.

Regional Domestic Violence Grant Program

The foundation provides grants and local resources to national, statewide, local domestic violence organizations to empower survivors of domestic violence. Special emphasis is directed toward programs designed to help domestic violence survivors build their financial independence through financial education; job readiness and job training; matched savings initiatives; and microenterprise.

Safe and Vital Communities

The foundation supports programs designed to foster communities that are economically solvent, crime-free, and that give residents a sense of belonging and commitment. Special emphasis is directed toward rebuilding lives after a natural disaster through catastrophe response; nurturing safe, strong, and healthy communities through neighborhood revitalization; and encouraging safe driving attitudes and behaviors through teen safe driving programs.

Teen Safe Driving Program

Through the Teen Safe Driving initiative, the foundation encourages teens to develop safe driving attitudes and behaviors to reduce the risk of teen driving-related accidents. The program includes Keep the Drive, a teen-led smart driving movement that educates teens about the issues and empowers them to become smart driving activists in their schools and communities; community outreach, to surround teens with smart driving messages from key teen influencers, including parents; leadership and advocacy education, to advance public understanding of teen safe driving and inform public policy decision-makers; and public awareness, to elevate teen driving as a chronic public health issue through social marketing and public relations campaigns.

Tolerance, Inclusion, and Diversity

The foundation supports programs designed to foster tolerance, inclusion, and values for people of all backgrounds. Special emphasis is directed toward programs designed to teach tolerance to youth to foster a generation free of bias; and encourage communities to be free of prejudice to alleviate discrimination.

Fields of Interest**Subjects**

Civil/human rights, equal rights
Civil rights, race/intergroup relations
Community development, neighborhood development
Crime/violence prevention, youth
Disasters, preparedness/services
Economic development
Employment
Employment, services
Employment, training
Family services, domestic violence
Human services, financial counseling
Safety/disasters
Safety, automotive safety
Youth, services

Population Groups

African Americans/Blacks
Asians/Pacific Islanders
Bisexual
Children/youth
Disabilities, people with

Economically disadvantaged
Gay men
Hispanics/Latinos
LGBTQ
Minorities
Native Americans/American Indians

Geographic Focus

Alabama
Alaska
Arizona
Arkansas
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Delaware
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Idaho
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Montana
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
North Dakota
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas
Utah



FOUNDATION
CENTER

Vermont
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin
Wyoming

Types of Support

Cause-related marketing
Conferences/seminars
Curriculum development
Emergency funds
Employee matching gifts
Employee volunteer services
Film/video/radio
General/operating support
Grants to individuals
Loaned talent
Management development/capacity building
Pro bono services
Pro bono services - communications/public relations
Pro bono services - financial management
Pro bono services - human resources
Pro bono services - interactive/website technology
Pro bono services - legal
Pro bono services - marketing/branding
Pro bono services - strategic management
Pro bono services - technology infrastructure
Program development
Research
Technical assistance

Publications

Application guidelines
Program policy statement

Application Information

Application form required. Applicants should submit the following:

1. Role played by volunteers
2. Timetable for implementation and evaluation of project
3. Qualifications of key personnel
4. Name, address and phone number of organization
5. Copy of IRS Determination Letter
6. How company employees can become involved with the organization
7. Brief history of organization and description of its mission
8. Geographic area to be served
9. Copy of most recent annual report/audited financial statement/990
10. How project's results will be evaluated or measured
11. List of company employees involved with the organization
12. Explanation of why grantmaker is considered an appropriate donor for project

13. Listing of board of directors, trustees, officers and other key people and their affiliations
14. Detailed description of project and amount of funding requested
15. Contact person
16. Copy of current year's organizational budget and/or project budget
17. Listing of additional sources and amount of support
18. Plans for acknowledgement

Initial approach: Complete online eligibility quiz and application; For Teen Safe Driving programs complete online application for Keep the Drive High School Journalism Awards and Act Out Loud

Board meeting date(s): Aug. and Nov.

Deadline(s): Varies for Teen Safe Driving, Domestic Violence, Safe and Vital Communities, Economic Empowerment, and Tolerance, Inclusion, and Diversity; None; Oct. 1 to Mar. 1 for Keep the Drive High School Journalism Awards; Oct. 14 to Jan. 31 for Act Out Loud registration

Final notification: Varies

Additional information: Visit Website for detailed application deadlines.

Officers and Trustees

Note: An asterisk () following an individual's name indicates an officer who is also a trustee or director.*

Thomas J. Wilson,* Chairperson and President

Affiliation(s):

The Allstate Corp., President and Chief Operating Officer

Allstate Insurance Co., Chairperson

Joan H. Walker, Executive Vice President and Secretary

Judith P. Greffin,* Executive Vice President and C.I.O.

Affiliation(s):

Allstate Insurance Co., Sr. Vice President and C.I.O.

Susie Lees, Executive Director and General Counsel

Mario Rizzo, Sr. Vice President and Treasurer

D. Scott Harper, Sr. Vice President

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Affiliation(s):

Allstate Insurance Co., Sr. Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Michele C. Mayes

Mathew E. Winter

Memberships

Regional Associations of Grantmakers

Donors Forum (IL)

Affinity Groups

Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy

Hispanics in Philanthropy

Associations and Other Philanthropic Organizations

Council on Foundations

Grants Managers Network

Independent Sector

Louisiana Association of Nonprofit Organizations

Financial Data

Year ended 12/31/12:

Assets: \$65,952,209 (market value)

Gifts received: \$36,275,138

Expenditures: \$19,764,214

Total giving: \$17,269,127

Qualifying distributions: \$19,764,214

Giving activities include:

\$17,065,547 for 3,165 grants (high: \$825,515; low: \$25)

\$203,580 for employee matching gifts

\$17,065,547 for 6 foundation-administered programs

Additional Location Information

County: Cook

Metropolitan area: Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI

Congressional district: Illinois District 10

Selected Grants

The following grants are a representative sample of this grantmaker's funding activity:

\$825,515 to National Safety Council, Itasca, IL, in 2012. For Drive it Home Multi-City Launch, payable over 1 year.

\$500,000 to United Way of Metropolitan Chicago, Chicago, IL, in 2012. For Promoting Financial Stability for Domestic Violence Survivors, payable over 1 year.

\$425,000 to Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation, Brookline, MA, in 2012. For Community Conversations, payable over 1 year.

\$400,000 to Junior Achievement, National, Colorado Springs, CO, in 2012. For Title Sponsorship Renewal JA Economics for Success, Save USA and Teens and Personal Finance Survey, and technology/operating support, payable over 1 year.

\$400,000 to National Network to End Domestic Violence, Washington, DC, in 2012. For NNEDV/TAF Economic Empowerment Project, payable over 1 year.

\$35,000 to White Plains Library Foundation, White Plains, NY, in 2012. For Allstate Readiness Series, payable over 1 year.

\$1,000 to Boys and Girls Club of the Columbia Basin, Moses Lake, WA, in 2012. For Agency Owner Volunteerism, payable over 1 year.

\$1,000 to Boys and Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley, Knoxville, TN, in 2012. For Agency Owner Volunteerism, payable over 1 year.

\$1,000 to Community School of the Arts, Marion, IN, in 2012. For Agency Owner Volunteerism, payable over 1 year.

\$1,000 to Mississippi Childrens Museum, Jackson, MS, in 2012. For Agency Owner Volunteerism, payable over 1 year.

\$1,000 to Shelter for Abused Women of Collier County, Naples, FL, in 2012. For Agency Owner Volunteerism, payable over 1 year.

\$1,000 to YMCA, Shenango Valley, Hermitage, PA, in 2012. For Agency Owner Volunteerism, payable over 1 year.

Want to see more grants for this grantmaker? [Try our Search Grants database.](#)

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Type of Grantmaker

Independent foundation

Additional Descriptor: Family foundation

Financial Data (yr. ended 8/31/12): Assets: \$34,719,590; Total giving: \$3,169,168

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Additional Contact Information

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Online Communications

[Grants List](#)

Donor(s)

Note: If a donor is deceased, the symbol (‡) follows the name.

William E. Edwards‡

J.N. Edwards‡

Harriet E. Gamper

David E. Gamper‡

Jo Ann Eder

Economic Crisis Information

New policies implemented for the economic crisis include: 1) Revert to more sustainable granting levels (similar to grantmaking levels between 2004 and 2006); 2) For each organization, the foundation will not approve more than one grant per year for the same project/purpose; 3) Because of the foundation's emphasis on site visits, the foundation has a geographical focus where it awards grants. With some exceptions, this area includes MT, NY, and VT, and organizations working in Indian country; The foundation will not generally award grants over 20 percent of an organization's operating revenue excluding in-kind contributions; 5) Grants made to organizations that are new to the foundation will be smaller and include more reporting until a better relationship is established. The foundation is also making Early Childhood Care and Education a priority in its grantmaking. To this end, the foundation makes grants to non-profit organizations for general, program or scholarship support of their work with low-income, at-risk, underserved youth and children. The foundation may provide limited support for quality improvement, capacity building and advocacy for these organizations either directly or through intermediaries. The foundation's focus remains on non-profit child care centers, pre-schools and out of school organizations with limited support for school-centered programs, non-profit schools and young adult transitional programs. The foundation has special interest in helping Native American children, youth and their families, especially those in the Dakotas, ID, MT and WY.

Background

Incorporated in 1962 in NY.

Limitations

Giving primarily in MT, NY, and VT; limited funding in, ND, Minneapolis, MN, OR, SD, and the Northwest.

No grants to individuals, or for capital grants.

Purpose and Activities

Major interest in programs helping economically disadvantaged young people become able to survive and thrive on their own, with preference to smaller, comprehensive programs that are integral parts of their communities' networks of services.

Program Area(s)

The grantmaker has identified the following area(s) of interest:

Arts Fund

Support for programs that seek to inspire creative expression in people of all ages, abilities, and income through their connections and exchanges with artists and their artistic activities. This is an un-endowed, pass-through discretionary fund. Grants from this fund are suggested by the trustee.

Environmental Fund

Support for programs that seek to protect, promote and foster a love for the environment, especially through education. This is an un-endowed, pass-through discretionary fund. Grants from this fund are suggested by the trustee.

General Fund

This fund supports organizations that help provide a bridge to a life of greater opportunity to low-income, at-risk, underserved youth and children. The foundation believes that these children deserve assistance that is holistic and long lasting. This assistance should address significant factors that impede success in education and in life.

Sky and Earth Fund

The focus is on programs that support, promote and foster a love for science, especially astronomy, as well as programs that work to ensure affordable housing for generations to come. This is an un-endowed, pass-through discretionary fund. Grants from this fund are suggested by the trustee.

Fields of Interest**Subjects**

Astronomy
Children/youth, services
Community/economic development
Education
Family services
Human services
Performing arts
Visual arts
Youth development

Population Groups

Children/youth
Economically disadvantaged
Indigenous peoples
Infants/toddlers
Native Americans/American Indians
Young adults
Youth

Geographic Focus

Minnesota
Montana
New York
North Dakota
South Dakota
Vermont

Types of Support

Continuing support
Emergency funds
General/operating support
Management development/capacity building
Matching/challenge support

Program-related investments/loans
 Program development
 Scholarship funds
 Seed money

Publications

Application guidelines
 Grants list
 IRS Form 990 or 990-PF printed copy available upon request

Application Information

Unsolicited full proposals not considered. The foundation requests proposals from organizations about which the trustees are personally and directly knowledgeable. See foundation web site for details. Application form required. Initial approach: See foundation web site for instructions and guidelines
 Board meeting date(s): As required

Officers and Trustees

Note: An asterisk () following an individual's name indicates an officer who is also a trustee or director.*

Jo Ann Eder,* President
Gisela Gamper,* Vice President
Mark D. Eder,* Secretary
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Jessica Dunbar
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Staff

Number of Staff

1 part-time support

Memberships

Regional Associations of Grantmakers

Philanthropy Northwest

Affinity Groups

Association of Small Foundations
 Grantmakers for Children, Youth and Families
 Mission Investors Exchange
 Native Americans in Philanthropy

Associations and Other Philanthropic Organizations

Council on Foundations
 Montana Nonprofit Association

Financial Data

Year ended 8/31/12:

Assets: \$34,719,590 (market value)
 Gifts received: \$850,000
 Expenditures: \$4,649,119
 Total giving: \$3,169,168
 Qualifying distributions: \$3,207,721
 Giving activities include:

\$3,169,168 for 127 grants (high: \$118,000; low: \$1,000)

Estimated financial data for year ending 8/31/13:

Assets: \$34,000,000

Grants: \$2,000,000

Additional Location Information

County: Carbon

Metropolitan area: Billings, MT

Congressional district: Montana District At-large

Selected Grants

The following grants are a representative sample of this grantmaker's funding activity:

\$177,000 to United Methodist Church of Leipsic, Leipsic, OH, in 2012. For grant of which \$118,000 - 10% thereof to be paid to the Defiance District Office of the United Methodist Church to be used toward college scholarships for pre-ministerial students, 5% thereof to the Caring and Sharing Group, and the balance to be distributed in such Christian Mission projects as the Outreach Committee, and \$59,000 for Church's Christian Education and Music Programs, payable over 1 year.

\$150,000 to Hopa Mountain, Bozeman, MT, in 2012. For Strengthening the Circle, payable over 1 year.

\$140,000 to Vermont Community Foundation, Middlebury, VT, in 2012. For Edwards Foundation Preschool Scholarships, payable over 1 year.

\$118,000 to Life Enriching Communities Foundation, Loveland, OH, in 2012. For Benevolent Care Fund for health care residents requiring financial assistance, payable over 1 year.

\$118,000 to Wesley Services Organization, Cincinnati, OH, in 2012. To improve the lives of so many seniors and disabled in the Cincinnati area with your wide range of programs, payable over 1 year.

\$60,000 to Center for Creative Education, Kingston, NY, in 2012. For after-school arts programs for at-risk and low-income children and youth in Kingston, NY, payable over 1 year.

\$55,000 to Boys and Girls Club of the Northern Cheyenne Nation, Lame Deer, MT, in 2012. For Directions Native American Scholarships, payable over 1 year.

\$55,000 to Boys and Girls Club of the Northern Cheyenne Nation, Lame Deer, MT, in 2012. For general support, payable over 1 year.

\$50,000 to Vermont Community Foundation, Middlebury, VT, in 2012. For Vermont Community Foundation Birth to Three, payable over 1 year.

\$40,000 to Southside Family Nurturing Center, Minneapolis, MN, in 2012. For general operating support, payable over 1 year.

\$35,000 to Vermont Community Foundation, Middlebury, VT, in 2012. For Vermont Community Preschool Collaborative, payable over 1 year.

\$30,000 to Farmworker Housing Development Corporation, Woodburn, OR, in 2012. For educational programs for farmworker children and youth, payable over 1 year.

\$25,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lake County and the Flathead Reservation, Ronan, MT, in 2012. For Native American Mentoring Project, payable over 1 year.

\$25,000 to Hopa Mountain, Bozeman, MT, in 2012. For program support, payable over 1 year.

\$25,000 to Hopa Mountain, Bozeman, MT, in 2012. To implement Indigenous Scholars of Promise Program, payable over 1 year.

\$25,000 to Vermont Community Loan Fund, Montpelier, VT, in 2012. For Project SUCCESS, payable over 1 year.

\$20,000 to Flagship Program, Missoula, MT, in 2012. For The Flagship Program at Lowell Elementary School, payable over 1 year.

\$20,000 to Friends of Green Chimneys, Brewster, NY, in 2012. For Green Chimneys Promise Program, payable over 1 year.

\$20,000 to Manaia, Livingston, MT, in 2012. For general support, payable over 1 year.

\$20,000 to Thrive, Inc., Bozeman, MT, in 2012. For Partnership Project Child Care Scholarships, payable over 1 year.

\$15,000 to Center for Creative Education, Kingston, NY, in 2012. For David Hykes - Harmonic Presence, payable over 1

year.

Want to see more grants for this grantmaker? [Try our Search Grants database.](#)

Montana Community Foundation

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Type of Grantmaker: Community foundation

Financial Data (yr. ended 6/30/12): Assets: \$59,658,108; Total giving: \$2,567,904

EIN: 810450150

990: [2012](#) [2011](#) [2010](#) [2009](#) [2008](#) [2007](#) [2006](#) [2005](#) [2004](#) [2003](#) [2002](#)

Last Updated: 7/12/2013

Additional Contact Information

Mailing address: P.O. box 1145, Helena, MT 59624-1145

Online Communications

[Facebook](#)

Affiliated Organizations

Geographic Affiliate Funds

[Absarokee Community Foundation](#)

[Broadwater Community Foundation](#)

[Butte-Silver Bow Community Foundation](#)

[Carter County Community Foundation](#)

[Columbus Community Foundation](#)

[Bigfork Development Company](#)

[Elkhorn Community Foundation](#)

[FAIR Community Foundation](#)

[Greater Polson Community Foundation](#)

[Greater Glendive Community Foundation](#)

[Great Falls Area Community Foundation](#)

[Hill County Community Foundation](#)

[Jefferson Valley Community Foundation](#)

[Joliet Area Community Foundation](#)

[Lincoln County Community Foundation](#)

[Lewis and Clark County Community Foundation](#)

[Meagher County Community Foundation](#)

[Mineral County Community Foundation](#)

[Missoula Community Foundation](#)

[Musselshell Valley Community Foundation](#)

[Nye Community Foundation](#)

[Powder River Community Foundation](#)

[Powell County Foundation](#)

[Prairie Benefits](#)

[Red Lodge Area Community Foundation](#)
[Richland County Community Foundation](#)
[Roberts Community Foundation](#)
[Rocky Mountain Front Community Foundation](#)
[Ruby Valley Foundation](#)
[Seeley Lake Community Foundation](#)
[Stevensville Community Foundation](#)
[Sunburst Community Foundation](#)
[Three Mile, Lone Rock Community Foundation](#)
[Tobacco County Community Foundation](#)
[Valley County Community Foundation](#)

Background

Incorporated in 1988 in MT.

Limitations

Giving limited to MT.

No support for religious purposes.

No grants for annual or capital campaigns, endowment funds, or generally for debt retirement.

Purpose and Activities

The foundation seeks to cultivate a culture of giving so Montana communities can flourish.

Fields of Interest

Subjects

Arts
Economic development
Education
Environment, natural resources
Human services

Population Groups

Adults, women
Girls
LGBTQ
Minorities
Native Americans/American Indians
Young adults, female

Geographic Focus

Montana

Types of Support

Continuing support
Emergency funds
Employee-related scholarships
Scholarships--to individuals

Publications

Financial statement
Newsletter

Application Information

Visit foundation web site for Application Cover Sheet and application guidelines. Application form required. Initial approach: Submit Application Cover Sheet with proposal

Board meeting date(s): 3 times per year

Officers and Directors

Note: An asterisk () following an individual's name indicates an officer who is also a trustee or director.*

Dan Clark,* Chairperson

Brian Patrick,* Vice-Chairperson

Mary Craigle,* Secretary

Emily Kovarik,* Chief Financial Officer

Dale Woolhiser,* Treasurer

Jeff Bretherton

Mike Gustafson

Stacey Mueller

Cynthia R. Woods

Staff

Number of Staff

5 full-time professional

2 full-time support

1 part-time support

Key Staff

Note: Does not include officers.

Jenny Baglien, Acct.

Cathy Cooney, Program Director

Jen Euell, Program Director

Memberships

Affinity Groups

Women's Funding Network

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Financial Data

Year ended 6/30/12:

Assets: \$59,658,108 (market value)

Gifts received: \$2,956,696

Expenditures: \$4,674,299

Total giving: \$2,567,904

Giving activities include:

\$2,567,904 for 120 grants (high: \$112,720)

Additional Location Information

County: Lewis and Clark

Congressional district: Montana District At-large

