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KEY FINDINGS



Top funding priorities in Illinois



Education

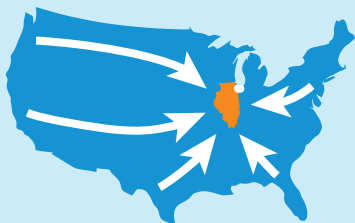


Human Services



47%

Share of Illinois foundation giving accounted for by Cook County grantmakers



\$550.3 Million

Giving by non-Illinois foundations to Illinois recipients

THE ILLINOIS FOUNDATION COMMUNITY

Illinois is home to roughly 5,240 grantmaking foundations spanning all types—independent or family, corporate, community, and operating—sizes, and issue areas. The community includes many foundations that only give locally or within the state, as well as those that fund nationally and even internationally. The following analysis provides an overview of the scale and composition of the Illinois foundation community and an examination of how Illinois foundations have fared relative to U.S. foundations in general over the past decade.

Growth in Illinois foundation giving outpaces U.S. foundations overall

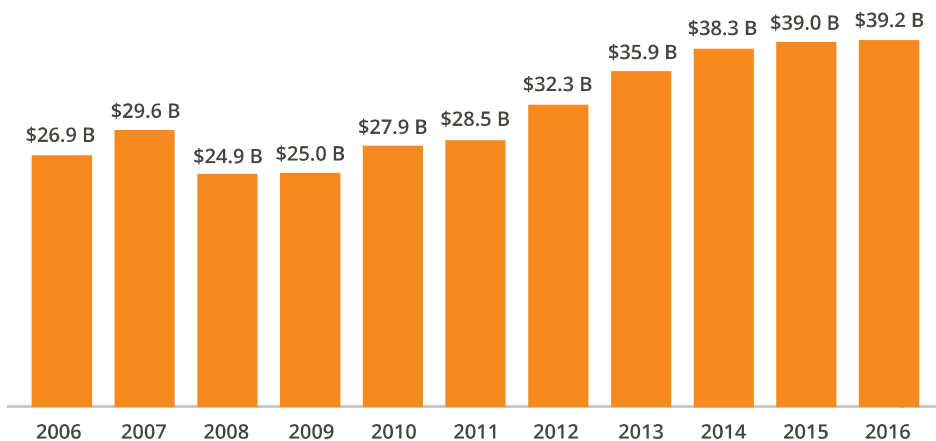
Illinois foundation giving reached a record \$4.6 billion in 2016, nearly tripling since 2006. (Adjusted for inflation, giving rose 140 percent.) By comparison, giving by U.S. foundations overall rose 77 percent during this period (or 48 percent after inflation). The Illinois foundation community has shown annual growth in giving every year during the past decade. By comparison, total U.S. foundation giving declined by just over 2 percent in 2009, following the double-digit loss in foundation assets that resulted from the Great Recession.

ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING REACHED A RECORD \$4.6 BILLION IN 2016



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Figures based on unadjusted dollars.

ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING ASSETS REACHED A RECORD \$39.2 BILLION IN 2016



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Figures based on unadjusted dollars.

Illinois foundation assets reach peak levels

Illinois foundations experienced some growth in assets in 2016, with an increase of 1 percent. Assets of Illinois foundations have grown slightly more slowly than the national average over the past decade (46 percent versus 48 percent, or 22 percent versus 24 percent when adjusted for inflation).

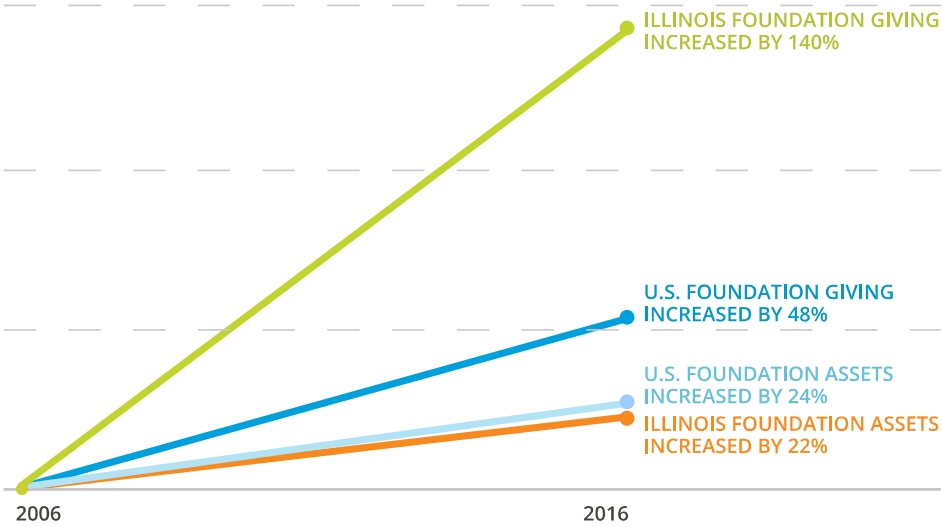
Independent and family foundations account for the majority of Illinois foundations and resources

Nine out of 10 foundations in Illinois are independent or family foundations, including the state's largest foundation by assets—the Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. They also account for the largest shares of foundation giving and assets. Nonetheless, the North Chicago-based Abbvie Patient Assistance Foundation (formerly the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation), an operating foundation, was by far the largest Illinois foundation by giving in 2016. The foundation is one of roughly a dozen operating foundations nationally created by pharmaceutical manufacturers for the purpose of distributing medications to patients with financial hardships.¹ Excluding this foundation, Illinois operating foundations would account for less than 2 percent of giving by grantmakers in the state.

Illinois foundation giving is concentrated among the top 10 funders

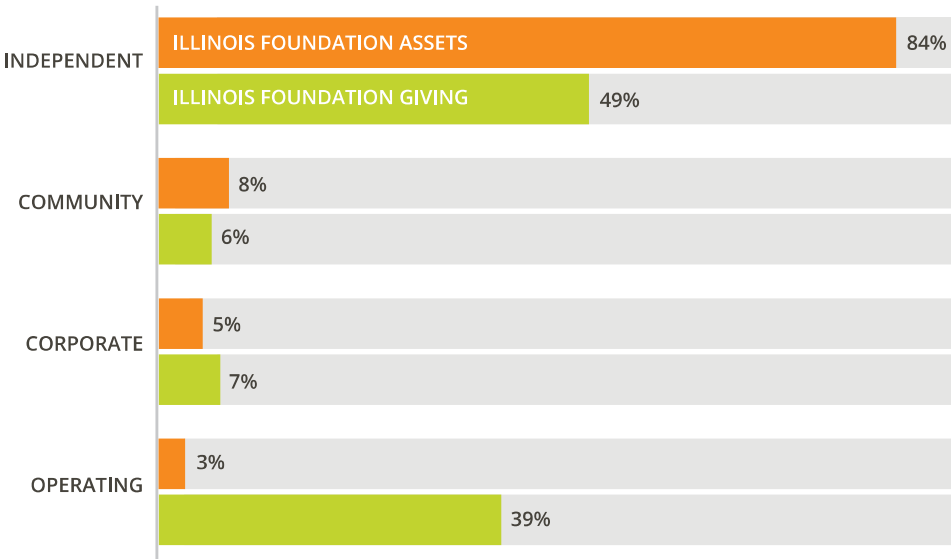
Consistent with patterns across the country, the top 10 Illinois foundations by giving accounted for over half (57 percent) of 2016 grant dollars.

ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING GREW FASTER THAN U.S. FOUNDATIONS BETWEEN 2006 AND 2016



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Figures based on inflation-adjusted dollars.

INDEPENDENT FOUNDATIONS ACCOUNTED FOR THE LARGEST SHARES OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING AND ASSETS IN 2016



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

SUMMARY STATISTICS FOR ILLINOIS GRANTMAKING FOUNDATIONS BY TYPE, 2016

TYPE	NO. FDNS	%	ASSETS	%	TOTAL GIVING	%	GIFTS RECEIVED	%
Independent	4,898	93.4	\$32,868,999,387	83.8	\$2,222,354,959	48.5	\$1,288,955,036	34.4
Corporate	171	3.3	2,010,825,856	5.1	335,600,830	7.3	268,334,373	7.2
Community	26	0.5	3,098,448,382	7.9	261,683,742	5.7	381,369,536	10.2
Operating	147	2.8	1,257,182,469	3.2	1,765,322,273	38.5	1,804,276,336	48.2
TOTAL	5,242	100.0	\$39,235,456,094	100.0	\$4,584,961,804	100.0	\$3,742,935,281	100.0

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Figures exclude Illinois foundations that did not report grants in the latest fiscal year.

For the top 10 by assets, the share was a smaller but still substantial 35 percent. More than half of the top foundations by giving and all but two of the top foundations by assets were located in Cook County.

Illinois corporate foundations account for 7 percent of grant dollars

Illinois corporate foundations reported total giving of \$336 million in 2016, with the Grainger Foundation at the top of the list. Corporate foundations' 7 percent share of overall Illinois foundation giving was less than the 8 percent share recorded nationally. While a total of 171 Illinois corporate foundations made grants in the latest year, giving was extremely concentrated among the largest funders. Nearly 65 percent of Illinois corporate foundation giving was provided by just the top 10 grantmakers.

Foundations in Cook County and surrounding areas control the largest share of resources

Grantmaking foundations were located in the vast majority of Illinois counties (93 out of 102), but 90 percent of the giving was accounted for by funders in just two counties. First among these was Cook County, which alone represented nearly half of total giving by Illinois foundations in 2016. If neighboring Lake county is included, the share rises to just over 90 percent.

1. Land, works of art, medication, and other non-cash items that are assigned a monetary value can be counted toward a foundation's "total giving."

TOP 10 ILLINOIS FOUNDATIONS BY TOTAL GIVING, 2016

	FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	TYPE ¹	TOTAL GIVING
1	The Abbvie Patient Assistance Foundation	North Chicago	Lake	OP	\$1,721,444,218
2	John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$264,862,750
3	The Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	CM	\$229,008,168
4	Howard G. Buffett Foundation	Decatur	Macon	IN	\$126,390,981
5	The Grainger Foundation	Lake Forest	Lake	CS	\$59,347,681
6	Arie and Ida Crown Memorial	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$44,948,746
7	R H Taylor for Princeton University	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$42,673,056
8	The Joyce Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$39,199,516
9	Caterpillar Foundation	Peoria	Peoria	CS	\$37,976,005
10	Polk Bros. Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$26,647,519

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

¹IN = Independent; CM = Community; CS = Corporate; OP = Operating

TOP 10 ILLINOIS FOUNDATIONS BY ASSETS, 2016

	FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	TYPE ¹	ASSETS
1	John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$6,295,202,003
2	The Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	CM	\$2,537,767,967
3	Arie and Ida Crown Memorial	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$1,004,018,197
4	The Joyce Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$934,851,239
5	Terra Foundation for American Art	Chicago	Cook	OP	\$530,186,478
6	The Spencer Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$501,283,177
7	Circle of Service Foundation	Vernon Hills	Lake	IN	\$498,897,699
8	Pritzker Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$493,366,420
9	Polk Bros. Foundation	Chicago	Cook	IN	\$425,296,621
10	The Grainger Foundation	Lake Forest	Lake	CS	\$390,178,260

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

¹IN = Independent; CM = Community; CS = Corporate; OP = Operating

TOP 10 ILLINOIS CORPORATE FOUNDATIONS BY TOTAL GIVING, 2016

	FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	TOTAL GIVING
1	The Grainger Foundation	Lake Forest	Lake	\$59,347,681
2	Caterpillar Foundation	Peoria	Peoria	\$37,976,005
3	The Allstate Foundation	Northbrook	Cook	\$24,612,048
4	Illinois Tool Works Foundation	Glenview	Cook	\$17,606,921
5	John Deere Foundation	Moline	Rock Island	\$16,626,418
6	Abbvie Foundation	North Chicago	Lake	\$14,502,787
7	State Farm Companies Foundation	Bloomington	McLean	\$12,819,817
8	Motorola Solutions Foundation	Chicago	Cook	\$10,837,276
9	The Mondelez International Foundation	Deerfield	Lake	\$9,724,340
10	Abbott Fund	Abbott Park	Lake	\$9,516,481

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

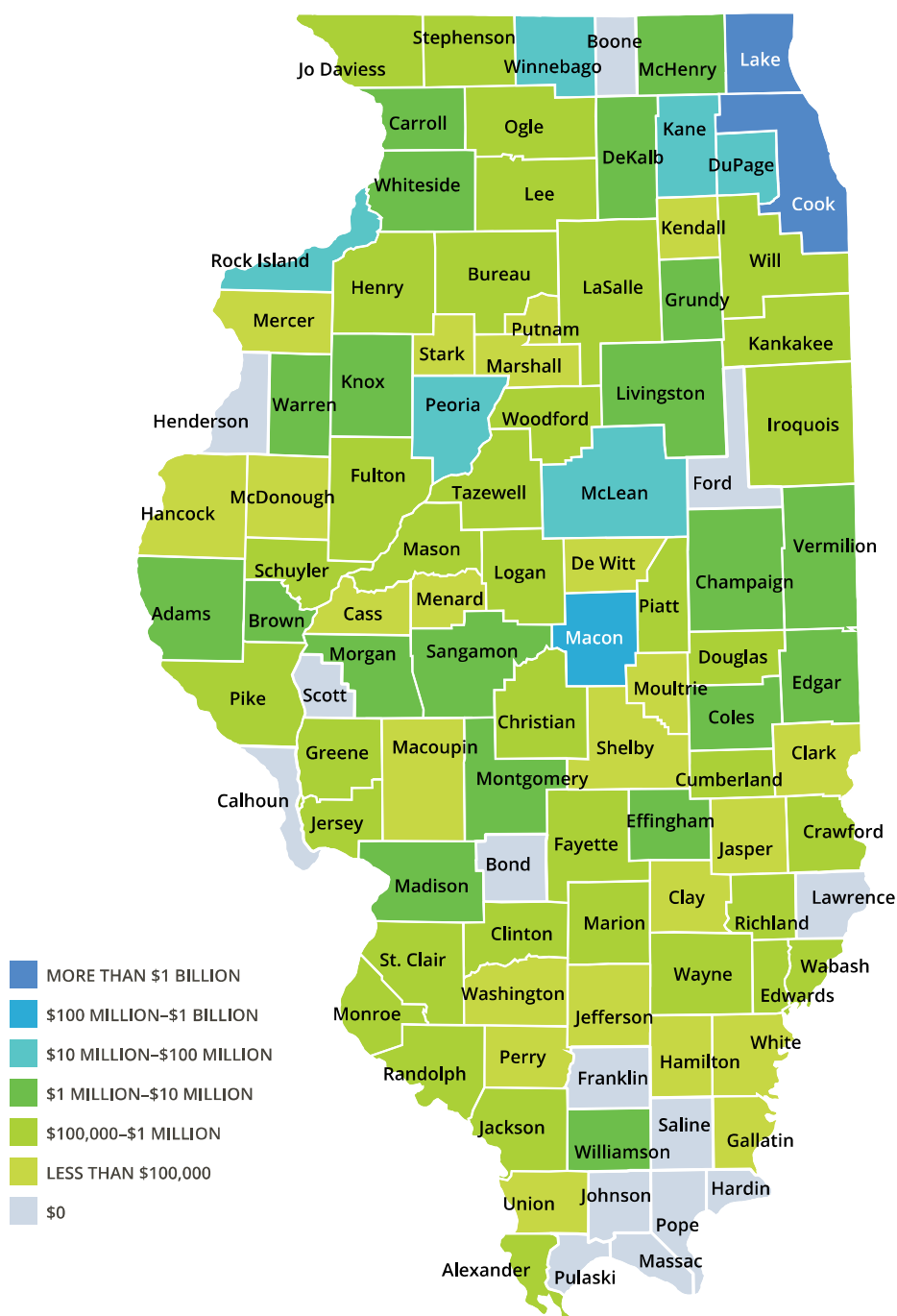
INDIVIDUAL GIVING

Foundations represent only one source of charitable support. Across the country, individuals provide 72 percent of private contributions, far surpassing foundations and corporations.¹ In Illinois, individuals gave \$8.0 billion in 2015—significantly more than was provided by private foundations that year.² However, if religious giving were excluded, foundations would account for a far larger share of total giving by Illinois donors.

1. Giving USA Foundation, *Giving USA 2017*, ed. by M. St. Claire & A. Pruitt, Indianapolis, IN: Giving USA Foundation, 2016. If bequest giving were included, the overall share of giving accounted for by individuals would rise to 80 percent.

2. IRS, 2017.

FOUNDATIONS BASED IN COOK COUNTY ACCOUNTED FOR NEARLY HALF OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING IN 2016



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Based on circa 2016 grants awarded by U.S. foundations in the sample to recipient organizations in Illinois. Includes all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 413 larger U.S. foundations, including 53 Illinois foundations.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Illinois is home to 26 grantmaking community foundations, a number surpassing most states. Although, this total falls well below the counts reported in nearby Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan. This set of Illinois foundations also accounted for a smaller share of overall giving compared to community foundations nationally (6 percent versus 11 percent). Most of these foundations are quite small, with all but eleven reporting grants totaling less than \$1 million in 2016.

Collectively, Illinois community foundations held \$3.1 billion in assets and gave \$262 million in 2016. The top 10 Illinois community foundations accounted for 98 percent of 2016 grant dollars, led by The Chicago Community Trust, which alone accounted for 88 percent with \$229 million in total giving in 2016. Similarly, the top 10 foundations by assets also accounted for most assets (96 percent) held by Illinois community foundations.

Education, arts and culture, and human services are the top priorities of Illinois community foundations. More than four-fifths of all community foundations fund some type of education-related activities, while most also fund arts and culture and human services (72 percent and 69 percent respectively).

TOP 10 ILLINOIS COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS BY TOTAL GIVING, 2016

FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	TOTAL GIVING
1 The Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	\$229,008,168
2 Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley	Aurora	Kane	\$6,624,416
3 The DuPage Community Foundation	Downers Grove	DuPage	\$3,672,065
4 Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	Rockford	Winnebago	\$3,440,049
5 Southeastern Illinois Community Foundation	Effingham	Effingham	\$3,281,739
6 Oak Park/River Forest Community Foundation	Oak Park	Cook	\$3,175,037
7 The Community Foundation of Decatur/Macon County	Decatur	Macon	\$2,821,599
8 DeKalb County Community Foundation (IL)	Sycamore	DeKalb	\$2,182,598
9 Evanston Community Foundation	Evanston	Cook	\$1,859,103
10 Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln	Springfield	Sangamon	\$1,583,687

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

TOP 10 ILLINOIS COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS BY ASSETS, 2016

FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	ASSETS
1 The Chicago Community Trust	Chicago	Cook	\$2,537,767,967
2 Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	Rockford	Winnebago	89,240,974
3 Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley	Aurora	Kane	78,014,115
4 The DuPage Community Foundation	Downers Grove	DuPage	64,455,964
5 DeKalb County Community Foundation (IL)	Sycamore	DeKalb	46,995,275
6 Oak Park/River Forest Community Foundation	Oak Park	Cook	33,610,116
7 Community Foundation of the Quincy Area	Quincy	Adams	33,275,419
8 The Community Foundation of Decatur/Macon County	Decatur	Macon	31,075,641
9 Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln	Springfield	Sangamon	27,425,943
10 Community Foundation of Central Illinois	Peoria	Peoria	27,417,196

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE, AND HUMAN SERVICES ARE TOP PRIORITIES OF ILLINOIS-BASED COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

EDUCATION	81%
ARTS AND CULTURE	72%
HUMAN SERVICES	69%
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	66%
HEALTH	66%
ENVIRONMENT AND ANIMALS	44%
SPORTS & RECREATION	13%
PUBLIC AFFAIRS	9%
PUBLIC SAFETY	9%

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Based on fields of interest of Illinois-based community foundations. Some foundations may have multiple fields of interest. Only includes priority areas representing more than 5 percent.

ILLINOIS PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS

Public foundations, or grantmaking public charities, are similar to community foundations in that they both raise money from the public and serve as grantmakers. Unlike community foundations, however, their giving is typically defined by specific issue areas rather than geographic areas. Foundation Center currently tracks about 620 Illinois public charities that indicate having a grantmaking program and accepting unsolicited proposals. Examples include the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, which operates several scholarship programs aimed at building Jewish identity; the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, which seeks to improve social and economic environments, encourage discussion of issues affecting the nation, enhance American education, and stimulate responsible citizenship in the Chicago area; and the Chicago Foundation for Women, which raises and distributes funds to provide opportunities and promote solutions for issues facing women and girls.

Collectively, Illinois public foundations held \$43.2 billion in assets and gave \$5.5 billion in 2016. The top 10 Illinois public foundations accounted for nearly 70 percent of 2016 grant dollars, led by Feeding America, with \$2.3 billion in total giving. For the top 10 by assets, the share was a smaller but still substantial 57 percent.

Health, education, and human services are the top priorities of Illinois public foundations. Roughly one-third of Illinois public foundations fund health (36) and education (32), while a quarter fund human services-related activities (25).

TOP 10 ILLINOIS PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS BY TOTAL GIVING, 2016

	FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	TOTAL GIVING
1	Feeding America	Chicago	Cook	\$2,336,751,082
2	Big Ten Conference	Park Ridge	Cook	442,210,580
3	Divac Children's Foundation	Mokena	Will	230,000,100
4	The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International	Evanston	Cook	226,100,468
5	University of Illinois Foundation	Urbana	Champaign	162,083,156
6	Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago	Chicago	Cook	92,544,275
7	Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago	Chicago	Cook	88,633,440
8	National Association for the Exchange of Industrial Resources, Inc.	Galesburg	Knox	81,865,076
9	Greater Chicago Food Depository	Chicago	Cook	77,111,996
10	Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago	Chicago	Cook	73,518,098

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

TOP 10 ILLINOIS PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS BY ASSETS, 2016

	FOUNDATION NAME	CITY	COUNTY	ASSETS
1	Advocate Christ Hospital	Oak Lawn	Cook	\$7,308,192,927
2	OSF Healthcare System	Peoria	Peoria	3,190,122,606
3	Rush University Medical Center	Chicago	Cook	2,920,106,156
4	Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago	Chicago	Cook	2,289,295,420
5	Carle Foundation	Urbana	Champaign	1,941,157,795
6	University of Illinois Foundation	Urbana	Champaign	1,916,738,499
7	The Art Institute of Chicago	Chicago	Cook	1,489,564,148
8	Robert R. McCormick Foundation	Chicago	Cook	1,267,759,375
9	Shirley Ryan AbilityLab	Chicago	Cook	1,109,287,390
10	The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International	Evanston	Cook	1,011,438,926

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES ARE TOP PRIORITIES OF ILLINOIS-BASED PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS

HEALTH	36%
EDUCATION	32%
HUMAN SERVICES	25%
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	16%
RELIGION	9%
ARTS & CULTURE	7%
PUBLIC SAFETY	5%
PHILANTHROPY & NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT	5%
SPORTS & RECREATION	4%

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Based on fields of interest of Illinois-based community foundations. Some foundations may have multiple fields of interest. Only includes priority areas representing 4 percent or more.

ILLINOIS STATE SPENDING ECLIPSES FOUNDATION GIVING

Because the primary role of most private and community foundations is to provide funding, the public often overestimates their charitable resources. In fact, the vast majority of private giving each year (approximately 80 percent) comes from individuals. Foundations are also sometimes seen as having the resources to fill government budget gaps, especially in difficult economic times. Yet compared to government expenditures, foundation giving represents a small fraction of the total. For example, while Illinois foundations provided giving totaling \$4.6 billion in 2016, the Illinois state budget General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2016 totaled nearly \$24 billion and the budget deficit for the state in 2016 was estimated at \$131.6 billion.¹

ILLINOIS STATE BUDGET GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$23.8 B
FEDERAL DOLLARS TO ILLINOIS	\$15.7 B
ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING	\$4.6 B

Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Figures on Illinois state government expenditures and federal spending from State Expenditure Report-Examining Fiscal 2015-2017 State Spending. See nasbo.org/main/site/reports-data/state-expenditure-report.

1. See State of Illinois Office of the Auditor General Summary Report Digest (April 2016), available at [auditor.illinois.gov/Audit-Reports/Compliance-Agency-List/Comptroller/Comp-Int-Cont-Compliance/FY16-Comptroller-Fin-Stmnt-\(CAFR\)-Fin-Digest.pdf](https://auditor.illinois.gov/Audit-Reports/Compliance-Agency-List/Comptroller/Comp-Int-Cont-Compliance/FY16-Comptroller-Fin-Stmnt-(CAFR)-Fin-Digest.pdf)

THE FOCUS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GIVING

U.S. foundations provide critical support in Illinois, with grants targeting activities ranging from the performing arts to education reform to medical research. The following analysis examines grantmaking in the state of Illinois based on giving by a sample of the nation's largest foundations. (For more details see "About the Grants Set.")

Grants awarded by Illinois Foundations support Illinois and national organizations

The Illinois foundation community is comprised of local, regional, national, and international funders, and a substantial share of their giving is directed to recipients based outside of the state. Nonetheless, of the close to 8,200 grants awarded by sampled Illinois foundations in 2016, over half (53 percent) targeted recipient organizations in the state.

In contrast, only two-fifths (39 percent) of the \$1.1 billion awarded by sampled Illinois foundations supported Illinois organizations. However, if smaller Illinois foundations (which are more likely to be local funders) were included in the sample, these shares would undoubtedly be higher.

Although more than half of the grants awarded by Illinois foundations went to recipients within the state in 2016, by share of dollars, over half (57 percent) were awarded to organizations based in other parts of the country. The largest shares were directed to New York (12 percent) and California (7 percent), which are home to many national and international organizations. The remaining 5 percent of their giving supported organizations located outside of the United States. The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation ranked as the largest Illinois-based cross-border

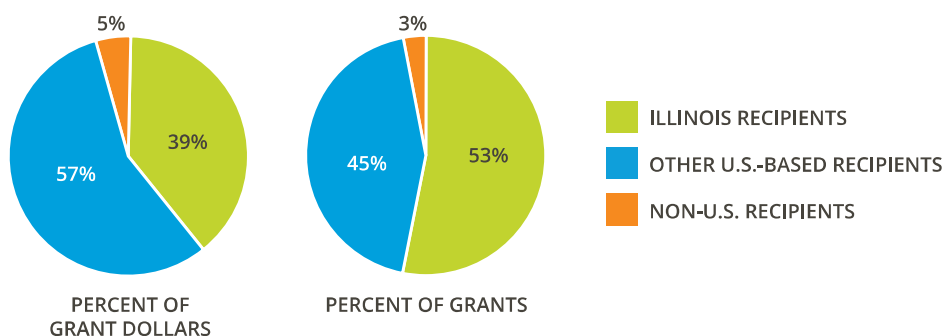
funder in 2016, followed by the Terra Foundation for American Art.

Non-Illinois grantmakers account for over half of foundation support in the state

Illinois-based foundations provided approximately two-

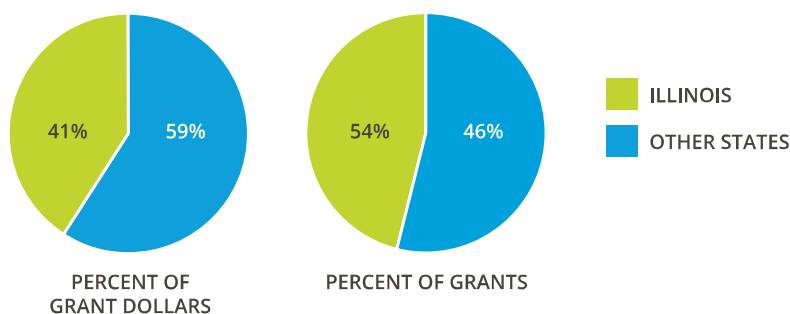
fifths (or 41 percent) of grant dollars received by Illinois organizations in 2016. The Chicago Community Trust provided the most grant dollars among this group, followed by Howard G. Buffet Foundation. By number of grants, Illinois funders represented a much larger 54 percent share. As noted above, the inclusion of smaller Illinois

HALF OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION GRANTS STAY IN ILLINOIS



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Based on circa 2016 grants awarded by Illinois foundations. Includes all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a sample of 53 larger Illinois foundations.

BY NUMBER OF GRANTS, ILLINOIS GRANTMAKERS ACCOUNT FOR OVER HALF OF FOUNDATION SUPPORT IN ILLINOIS



Source: *Giving in Illinois*, 2018. Based on circa 2016 grants awarded by U.S. foundations in the sample to recipient organizations in Illinois. Includes all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 413 larger U.S. foundations, including 53 Illinois foundations.

foundations in the sample would undoubtedly raise these shares.

The remaining 59 percent of grant dollars for Illinois recipients in 2016 was awarded by 360 non-Illinois-based foundations. Their support totaled \$550 million. The New York-based Smart Family Foundation ranked first among all funders in grant dollars awarded to Illinois with \$131 million. By comparison, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation reported the most grants awarded in the state that year of any non-Illinois-based foundation.

Top 25 funders to Illinois provide more than half of grant dollars

The largest grantmakers for each state generally account for the majority of giving, and Illinois was no exception. In 2016, the 25 largest funders of organizations in the state accounted for 60 percent of overall grant dollars. This group included 11 Illinois-based foundations. Nonetheless, giving for Illinois recipients was far less concentrated among the largest funders compared to neighboring states. For example, the 25 largest funders of Wisconsin recipients in 2016 accounted for 80 percent of grant dollars, while the top 25 funders of recipients in Indiana provided more than 91 percent of overall foundation support.

Education, human services, and community and economic development represent top funding priorities in Illinois

Foundations provided more than one-third of their 2016 giving in Illinois for education (37 percent) and also close to two-fifths for human services

FOUNDATION GIVING IN ILLINOIS BY SUBJECT, 2016

SUBJECT	DOLLAR AMOUNT	%	NO. OF GRANTS	%
Agriculture, Fishing, and Forestry	19,522,383	2.4	37	0.6
Arts and Culture				
Arts (Multipurpose)	17,364,651	2.1	216	3.3
Historical Activities	14,450,749	1.7	63	1.0
Humanities	8,244,852	1.0	81	1.2
Museums	41,497,126	5.0	260	4.0
Performing Arts	40,801,345	4.9	670	10.3
Visual Arts	14,246,091	1.7	92	1.4
Other Arts	10,283,209	1.2	190	2.9
Total Arts and Culture	120,966,386	14.6	1,317	20.3
Community and Economic Development				
Community Improvement	25,598,687	3.1	193	3.0
Economic Development and Employment	81,434,583	9.9	436	6.7
Housing Development	10,182,466	1.2	106	1.6
Other Community and Economic Development	60,080,946	7.3	297	4.6
Total Community and Economic Development	147,795,947	17.9	882	13.6
Education				
Adult Education	3,276,738	0.4	28	0.4
Education Services	22,046,832	2.7	194	3.0
Elementary and Secondary Education	91,437,919	11.1	641	9.9
Graduate and Professional Education	22,354,803	2.7	144	2.2
Higher Education	157,358,990	19.1	741	11.4
Post-Secondary Student Services	1,863,041	0.2	19	0.3
Vocational Education	621,450	0.1	12	0.2
Other Education	52,868,045	6.4	270	4.2
Total Education	303,499,404	36.8	1,724	26.6
Environment and Animals				
Biodiversity	10,740,303	1.3	96	1.5
Domesticated Animals	1,840,103	0.2	16	0.2
Natural Resources	28,078,883	3.4	166	2.6
Other Environment and Animals	9,062,200	1.1	62	1.0
Total Environment and Animals	41,732,681	5.1	316	4.9
Health				
In-Patient/Out-Patient Health Care	50,098,300	6.1	320	4.9
Medical Specialties	8,736,432	1.1	48	0.7
Mental Health	12,584,506	1.5	159	2.4
Public Health	13,930,156	1.7	141	2.2
Reproductive Health Care	3,089,850	0.4	41	0.6
Specified Diseases and Conditions	22,059,600	2.7	221	3.4
Other Health	47,549,515	5.8	337	5.2
Total Health	123,613,848	15.0	1,045	16.1
Human Rights	29,998,200	3.6	268	4.1
Human Services				
Emergency Assistance	27,762,168	3.4	149	2.3
Family Services	54,666,719	6.6	381	5.9
Housing Services and Residential Care	14,241,983	1.7	261	4.0
Youth Development	39,005,622	4.7	346	5.3
Other Human Services	57,144,251	6.9	784	12.1
Total Human Services	169,608,854	20.5	1,690	26.0
Information and Communications				
Communication Media	13,716,581	1.7	123	1.9
Journalism	2,985,220	0.4	12	0.2
Libraries	18,328,412	2.2	67	1.0
Media Access and Technology	4,433,187	0.5	54	0.8
Total Information and Communications	36,051,180	4.4	243	3.7
International Relations	21,010,822	2.5	135	2.1
Philanthropy and Nonprofit Management	56,565,802	6.8	268	4.1
Public Affairs	52,576,351	6.4	206	3.2
Public Safety				
Abuse Prevention	2,278,984	0.3	49	0.8
Courts and Legal Services	10,876,275	1.3	139	2.1
Crime Prevention	22,628,679	2.7	53	0.8
Disasters and Emergency Management	2,497,500	0.3	32	0.5
Other Public Safety	6,540,351	0.8	76	1.2
Total Public Safety	39,754,102	4.8	323	5.0
Religion	30,548,692	3.7	257	4.0
Science and Engineering	39,005,408	4.7	144	2.2
Social Sciences	29,443,832	3.6	156	2.4
Sports and Recreation	16,192,237	2.0	121	1.9
Other/Unknown	22,978,807	2.8	215	3.3
Total	825,848,563	100.0	6,491	100.0

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(21 percent) and community and economic development (18 percent) combined. Within education, grantmakers allocated the biggest shares of their funding for higher education, followed by elementary and secondary education. Amongst the largest education award reported in 2016 was a \$10 million general support grant from the Crankstart Foundation to the University of Chicago.

Despite the large share of grant dollars targeting education in 2016, a substantial share of the number of foundation grants awarded to Illinois recipients supported human services (26 percent). Human services grants tend to be smaller on average than in most other areas of foundation activity.

Finally, compared to U.S. foundation funding overall, Illinois recipients benefited from a notably larger share of funding for education (37 percent versus 31 percent) and arts and culture (15 percent versus 9 percent) in 2016. In contrast, foundation giving in the state was notably less for health, the environment and animals, international relations, and human rights.

Illinois higher education institutions and human services agencies benefit from largest share of foundation support

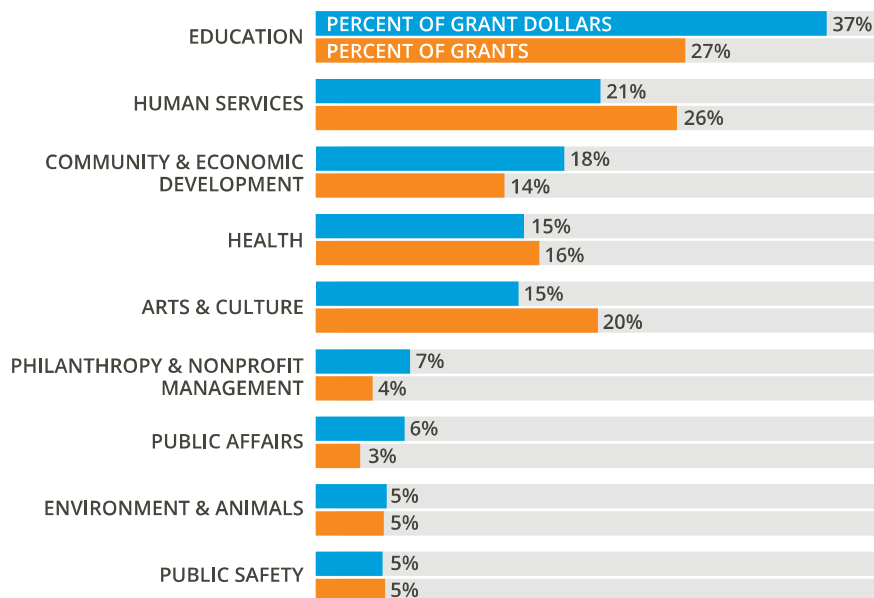
Roughly 18 percent of foundation grant dollars awarded in Illinois in 2016 funded higher education institutions, followed by human services agencies (15 percent). A majority of this giving targeted colleges and universities, which are home to research and other activities in fields ranging from the humanities to the sciences to the arts.

The University of Chicago led all Illinois educational recipients in 2016 with 210 grants totaling \$73.4 million. Museums captured the third largest share of grant dollars (5 percent), followed by elementary and secondary schools (4 percent).

Program support accounted for the largest share of funding in Illinois

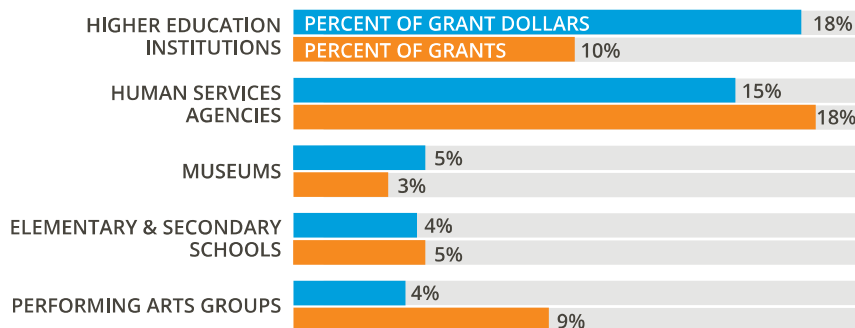
Similar to national trends, the largest share of foundation funding in Illinois provided support for specific programs and projects.

EDUCATION, HUMAN SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARE TOP FOUNDATION PRIORITIES IN ILLINOIS



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HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES ARE TOP PRIORITIES IN ILLINOIS



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Program support accounted for 36 percent of overall grant dollars in 2016. General operating support accounted for the second largest share of funding—25 percent—larger than the 14 percent share reported nationally. Similarly, foundations provided a larger share of capital grants in Illinois (10 percent) than was the case for overall U.S. foundation giving (6 percent).

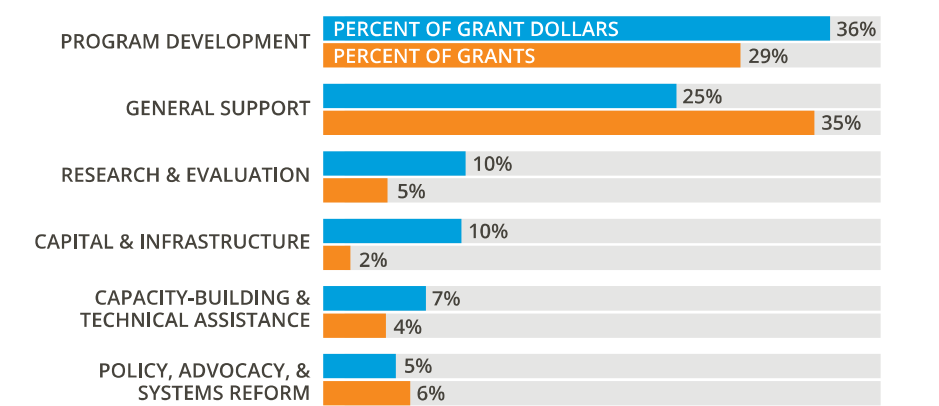
Economically disadvantaged and children and youth most likely to benefit from designated funding among Illinois population groups

Three-quarters of 2016 grant dollars awarded in Illinois could be coded as providing an explicit benefit for at least one specific population group. (The balance of grants either lacked sufficient information to determine the funders’ intent or were intended to benefit the general public.) Overall, approximately one-third (29 percent) of foundation grants to Illinois recipients could be identified as providing a benefit for people who are economically disadvantaged, followed by children and youth (26 percent). Among the larger grants awarded for people who are economically disadvantaged was a \$1.4 million grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to Chicago Community Loan Fund for continued support of Chicago TREND, a social enterprise initially funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and Chicago Community Trust. It is a centralized resource for real estate developers, retailers and community development organizations seeking to better understand the trajectories of Chicago neighborhoods and invest in profitable retail projects

that can drive transformative change. Ethnic or racial minorities were the explicit focus of 9 percent of Illinois foundation grant dollars in 2016, higher than the (6 percent) share reported nationally. Among the largest grants tracked in 2016 for the benefit of racial minorities in Illinois was a \$1 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates

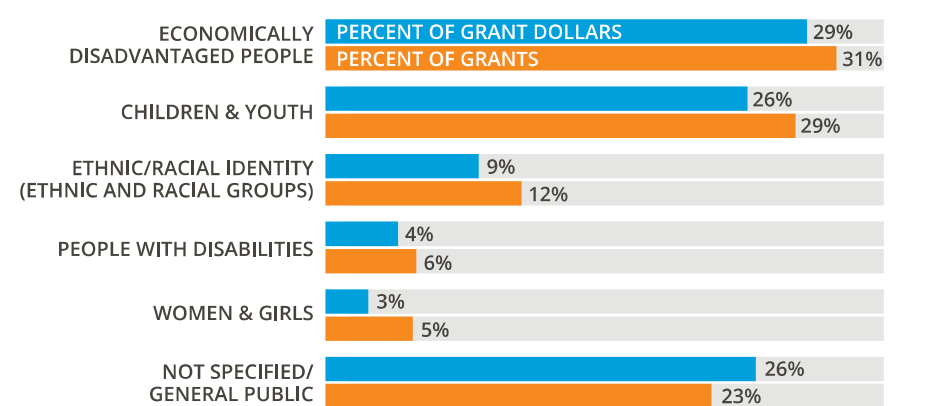
Foundation to Surge Institute to provide financial support for the Surge Fellowship, a new minority leadership development program that seeks to change the face of leadership in education reform by cultivating a community of high-capacity Latino and African American leaders across diverse education organizations and institutions.

PROGRAM AND GENERAL SUPPORT STRATEGIES TARGETED BY FOUNDATIONS GIVING IN ILLINOIS



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LOW-INCOME, CHILDREN AND YOUTH MOST LIKELY TO BENEFIT FROM TARGETED FOUNDATION GIVING IN ILLINOIS



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Cook County garners largest share of foundation support

Given the concentration of educational, human services, arts, and other organizations in Chicago, it comes as no surprise that Cook County benefited from the single largest share of Illinois

foundation funding in 2016. Overall, recipients in Cook County benefited from 84 percent of grant dollars awarded to recipients in the state and 85 percent of the number of grants. Following Cook County was Macon County (24 grants totaling

\$22.5 million) and Champaign County (88 grants totaling \$22.5 million). Foundations also provided substantial resources to other regions of the state, with an additional 8 counties reporting foundation grants totaling \$1 million or more in 2016.

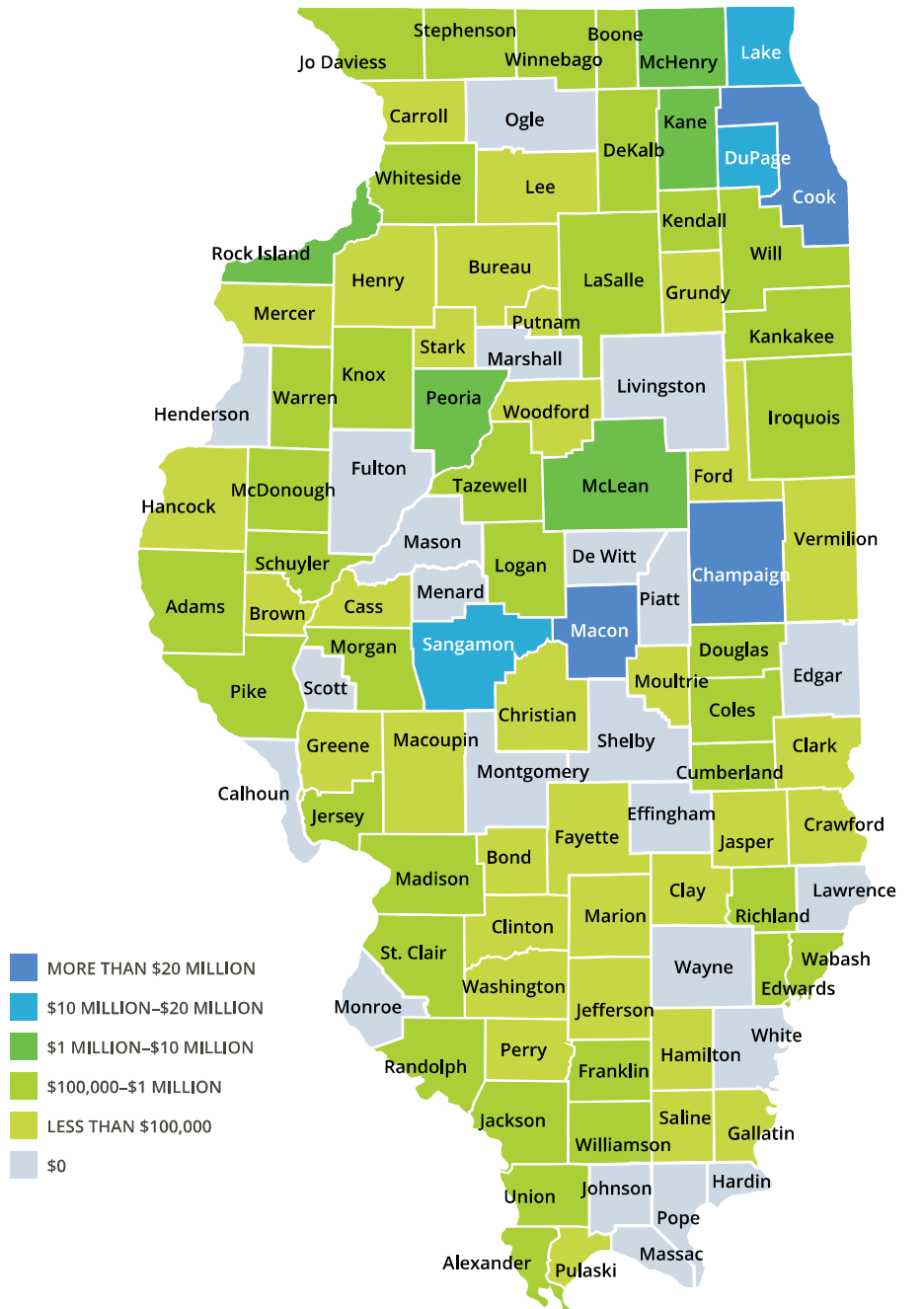
ABOUT THE GRANTS SET

This analysis is based on the Foundation Center’s 2016 grants set, which includes all grants of \$10,000 or more reported by the top 1,000 U.S. independent, corporate, community, and grantmaking operating foundations by total giving. For community foundations, the set includes only discretionary grants and donor-advised grants (when provided by the funder). The set also excludes grants to individuals.

This set accounts for approximately half of giving by all of the roughly 86,000 active U.S. grantmaking foundations. Included in the set are 60 Illinois foundations with giving totaling \$1.1 billion, of which 53 made grants to recipients in Illinois in 2016. Grant amounts may represent the full authorized amount of the grant or the amount paid in that year, depending upon the information made available by each foundation.

Grant records included in the set were reported to the Center between December 2017 and March 2018. The majority of foundations are represented with 2016 grants data and the rest with 2015 grants data, if more current data was not available in time for inclusion in the set.

FOUNDATION GIVING TO ILLINOIS RECIPIENTS BY COUNTY, 2016



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THE OUTLOOK FOR FOUNDATION GIVING

Giving by U.S. foundations grew nearly 6 percent in 2017, lower than the 10 percent growth reported the previous year. While comparable estimates are not available at the state level, the median increase in giving reported by the Illinois respondents to Foundation Center's annual "Foundation Giving Forecast Survey" was less than 1 percent.

Overall giving by the nation's private and community foundations reached \$72.9 billion in 2017, surpassing previous record levels even after adjusting for inflation. Some factors contributing to the rise in funding may be the strong performance in the stock market in 2016. Independent foundations, including family foundations, account for the vast majority of foundation giving each year. Overall their giving was up an estimated 5 percent in 2017.

Community foundations increased their giving by an estimated 11 percent in 2017. Sixty-three percent of community foundations responding to the Center's

forecasting survey reported having increased their giving that year. Community foundations benefited from an increase of roughly 7 percent in their assets in 2016 although they reported a slight decrease in gifts received. Among community foundations, the large and mid-size foundations reported faster growth while smaller community foundations reported more modest growth for 2017.

Estimated corporate foundation giving was up 5 percent in 2017, following a similar rate of increase in giving the prior year. Despite a slight decrease in gifts received in 2016, assets were up nearly 7 percent. About half of the

corporate foundations responding to the Center's survey reported having increased their giving in 2017. Among corporate foundations, the mid-size foundations (those awarding between \$100K–\$5 million annually) reported an increase in giving while the largest of the corporate foundations (those awarding more than \$25 million annually) held steady with little to no change in giving for 2017.

Looking ahead, Foundation Center projects--provided that the economy benefits from healthy growth and the stock market continues to flourish--giving by U.S. foundations will continue to increase well ahead of inflation.



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