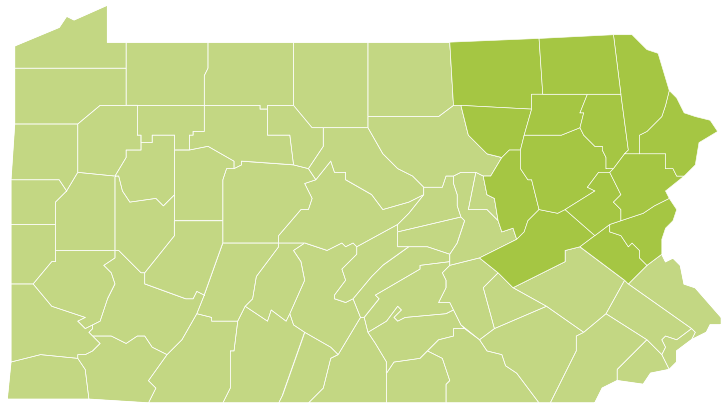


NORTHEAST REGION



FOUNDATION GIVING TRENDS

The 243 foundations in Pennsylvania’s Northeast region gave \$43.9 million in total grants and held assets of \$654.4 million in 2005. The region was home to 6 percent of the state’s foundations and accounted for 3 percent of the state’s foundation giving and 2 percent of the state’s foundation assets.

NORTHEAST REGION FOUNDATIONS AT A GLANCE, 1995–2005

	1995	2000	2005	% CHANGE 1995–2005	% CHANGE PA OVERALL
Foundation Giving*	\$21.16	\$26.91	\$43.93	108%	86%
Share of PA	2%	2%	3%		
Foundation Assets*	\$276.60	\$543.27	\$654.40	137%	77%
Share of PA	2%	2%	2%		
Number of Foundations	181	222	243	34%	59%
Share of PA	7%	7%	6%		

Source for all tables and charts: Foundation Center, 2007 * Dollars in Millions; Current Dollars

The Northeast region experienced the largest growth in foundation assets—137 percent—between 1995 and 2005 of the state’s five regions. The region’s growth in foundation giving of 108 percent was also above the statewide average. However, the number of foundations in the Northeast region grew by just 34 percent, which was far below the statewide average and the second-smallest increase of the five regions.

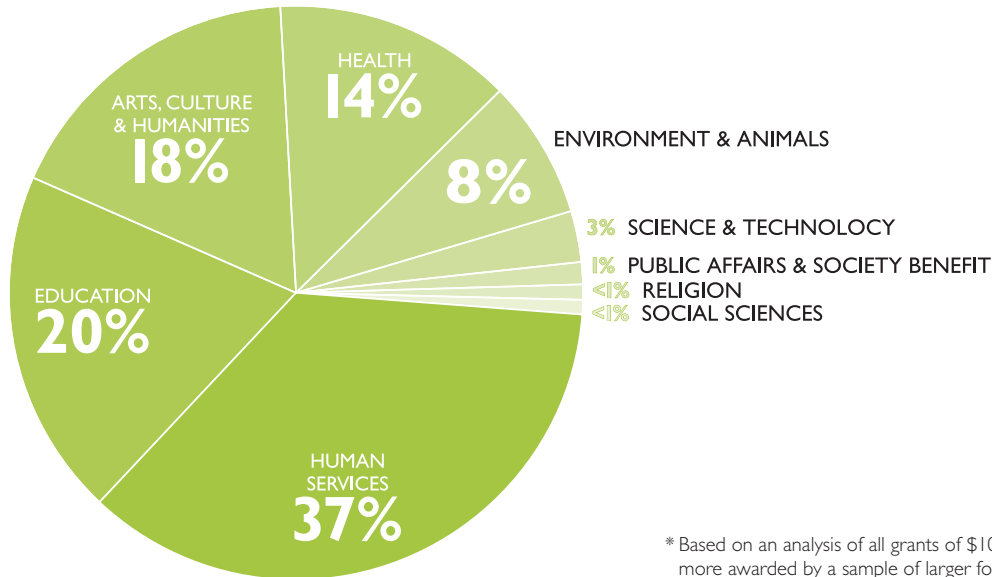
GIVING BY SUBJECT AREA

Foundations in the Northeast region gave the largest share of their grant dollars—37 percent—to Human Services, followed by Education (20 percent), Arts, Culture & Humanities (18 percent) and Health (14 percent). In most subject areas, giving by foundations in the Northeast was in line with statewide averages, with two exceptions: Northeast foundations devoted a far higher share of their grant dollars to Human Services (37 percent vs. 13 percent) and a lower share of their grant dollars to Public Affairs & Society Benefit (1 percent vs. 11 percent).

This fact sheet is an excerpt from a more comprehensive report titled, “Commonwealth Giving: A Report on Pennsylvania Philanthropy,” 2008 edition.

Pennsylvania’s Northeast region is defined as a group of 14 counties in the northeastern portion of the state, encompassing the Lehigh Valley, Greater Scranton area and surrounding counties: Bradford, Carbon, Columbia, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Luzerne, Monroe, Northampton, Pike, Schuylkill, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming.

NORTHEAST REGION FOUNDATION GIVING BY SUBJECT AREA, 2005*



* Based on an analysis of all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a sample of larger foundations.

LARGEST FOUNDATIONS

The Harry C. Trexler Trust is traditionally the largest foundation giver in the Northeast region, awarding grants of \$5.37 million followed by The Century Fund Trust with \$1.8 million in giving. However, in 2005, The Philip and Muriel Berman Foundation made a single large grant that resulted in total giving of \$6.6 million, which is substantially greater than their normal annual giving (see Table below). All three of these funders are independent foundations and are located in Lehigh County. In fact, five of the 10 largest foundations in the 14-county Northeast region are in Lehigh County.

TOP 10 NORTHEAST REGION FOUNDATIONS BY TOTAL GIVING, 2005

RANK	NAME	COUNTY	TYPE	TOTAL GIVING	ASSETS
1	The Philip and Muriel Berman Foundation*	Lehigh	Independent	\$6,605,000	\$25,411,519
2	Harry C. Trexler Trust	Lehigh	Independent	\$5,369,905	\$116,133,509
3	The Century Fund Trust	Lehigh	Independent	\$1,810,885	\$26,906,002
4	The Blue Ribbon Foundation of Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania	Luzerne	Corporate	\$1,449,500	\$4,771,246
5	Central Susquehanna Community Foundation	Columbia	Community	\$1,388,480	\$31,619,356
6	Salvaggio Family Foundation	Lehigh	Independent	\$883,759	\$10,549,902
7	Dexter F. and Dorothy H. Baker Foundation	Lehigh	Independent	\$857,811	\$17,196,590
8	Keystone Savings Foundation	Northampton	Corporate	\$825,109	\$504,535
9	Shaffer Family Charitable Trust	Northampton	Independent	\$812,275	\$13,394,029
10	Sordoni Foundation, Inc.	Luzerne	Independent	\$756,987	\$12,848,596

* Giving by The Berman Foundation is unusually high due to one large grant made during 2005.



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