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The 2013 edition of *Foundations in Wisconsin* marks the 32nd production of the print directory and the 13th year of the online version. The directory is designed as a research tool for grantseekers interested in locating information on private, corporate, and community foundations registered in Wisconsin. Each entry in this new edition has been updated or reviewed to provide the most current information available. Most of the data was drawn from IRS 990-PF tax returns filed by the foundations. Additional information was obtained from surveys, foundation websites, annual reports, and newsletters.

The recovery of Wisconsin foundations from the recent economic downturn has been mixed. While the total number of grants paid (\$487,953,327) and of active foundations (1264) decreased slightly, total assets (\$7,068,417,918) continued to increase and 45 new foundations were identified. The following table illustrates the 10-year financial pattern as documented in *Foundations in Wisconsin*.

2007	1251	\$478,950,513	\$6,241,323,582
2006	1227	\$452,791,755	\$5,549,409,967
2005	1213	\$395,089,700	\$5,254,012,485
2004	1184	\$387,572,449	\$4,772,292,891

The 10 counties listed below account for 84% of total giving by Wisconsin foundations. Milwaukee County once again tops the list with 25% of the total number of foundations and 45% of the total grantmaking.

Foundations by County	Active Foundations	Total Grants Paid	Total Assets
Milwaukee	312	\$220,963,972	\$2,681,261,983
Waukesha	123	\$53,944,813	\$1,073,030,528
Dane	133	\$44,268,464	\$617,564,497
Outagamie	28	\$18,213,660	\$236,769,741
Brown	79	\$17,466,009	\$289,312,202
Winnebago	26	\$12,292,141	\$192,157,773
Racine	26	\$11,883,781	\$91,330,052
Rock	32	\$11,640,257	\$141,953,510
Ozaukee	51	\$11,038,922	\$103,021,912
Marathon	36	\$10,504,001	\$199,173,963
Total	846	\$412,216,020	\$5,625,576,161

The 50 largest granting foundations in the state (4% of the total number of foundations) account for \$303,359,647 in total giving or 62% of the total grants reported in this edition. For the list of the top 50, please see page vii.

Foundations in Wisconsin is produced by the staff of the Funding Information Center, located in Marquette University's John P. Raynor, S.J., Library. The Center's mission is to serve the research needs of grantseekers from around the state. In the past year, we welcomed over 440 visitors and responded to more than 640 telephone, e-mail and IM inquiries. Among other resources, the Center's collection includes both the print and online versions of this directory for public use. The online directory's demo site provides information about using and subscribing to the database: www.wifoundations.org. For more information about the Center or to plan a visit, please turn to page viii or see our website at www.marquette.edu/library/fic.

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