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AMHERST, OH – The Nord Family Foundation announced the list of nonprofit organizations in the fields of health and social services, education, civic affairs, and arts that have been awarded grants this cycle. At the June 21, 2008 Board of Trustees meeting, grants approved totaled \$1,290,454 to be disbursed in Lorain County, Ohio; Cuyahoga County, Ohio; Columbia, South Carolina; Denver, Colorado; and Boston, Massachusetts. Forty one other actions totaling \$44,995 were also ratified at the meeting bringing the total grants authorized in this round to \$1,335,449. Attached is a complete list of the grants authorized by the Trustees at their recent meeting.

The Nord Family Foundation is a successor to the charitable trust originally established by Walter G. Nord in 1952. The predecessor organization contributed more than \$12 million to a variety of charitable causes between 1953 and 1988, primarily in Lorain County, Ohio. The Nord Family Foundation has contributed more than \$70 million to nonprofit organizations in northern Ohio and selected geographic areas of family interest. The Foundation's major areas of focus over the last several years have been those projects endeavoring to strengthen families and strengthen the public service.

The Foundation's grantmaking guidelines and annual report are available at www.nordff.org or you may write to 747 Milan Avenue, Amherst, Ohio 44001, or call (440) 984-3939 or 1 (800) 745-8946. The Foundation only accepts grant applications on-line. The application can be accessed through the *Grant Applications* tab on our website. The Board of Trustees of the Nord Family Foundation will meet again in October 2008. Deadline for consideration of online grant applications is August 1, 2008.

<p>The Nord Family Foundation Approved Grants from the June 21, 2008 Board of Trustees Meeting</p>

Arts and Culture

Artists for Humanity, Inc.	\$25,000
Boston, MA <i>in continued support of the micro-enterprise arts program for inner-city youth</i>	
Cleveland Museum of Natural History	10,000
Cleveland, OH <i>in support of the RACE Exhibition</i>	
Cleveland Public Theatre, Inc.	20,000
Cleveland, OH <i>in continued support of the Women's Voices Project, in partnership with the YWCA of Elyria</i>	
Community Music Center of Boston	7,000
Boston, MA <i>in support of the Intensive Study Project (ISP) for inner city children</i>	
The Littleton Center for Cultural Arts Foundation, Inc. DBA Town Hall Arts Center	14,500
Littleton, CO <i>in continued support of Town Hall children's education programs</i>	
The MAD* Factory	55,000
Oberlin, OH <i>in continued support of theatre arts programming for children of all ages</i>	
Mirror Image Education Through Drama, Inc.	38,000
Lakewood, CO <i>in continued support of "Breaking the Silence," a program theatrically deals with eating disorders and their complex cause and effects</i>	
Oberlin Choristers	8,000
Oberlin, OH <i>in continued support of general operations and scholarships</i>	
Ohio Dance Theatre	55,000
Oberlin, OH <i>in continued support for general operations</i>	
Western Reserve Historical Society	27,500
Cleveland, OH <i>in support of the educational programming at East Blvd. and Hale Farm & Village and for the Philanthropic Archives</i>	
Young Audiences of Greater Cleveland, Inc.	30,000
Cleveland, OH <i>Lorain County Arts Education Programs 2008-2009</i>	
<i>Total Arts and Culture</i>	<u>\$290,000</u>

Civic Affairs

Cleveland Foundation	\$50,000
Cleveland, OH <i>as repository for the Cuyahoga County Foreclosure Prevention Program</i>	
DenverWorks	10,000
Denver, CO	

in continued support of job preparation and placement services

ideastream Cleveland, OH <i>in continued support of "The News Hour with Jim Lehrer" and "Making Change," a local program about economic issues in northeast Ohio</i>	25,000
Mile High Ministries Denver, CO <i>in continued support of Joshua Station, a transitional housing facility for families</i>	15,000
Neighborhood House Association of Lorain County, Inc. Lorain, OH <i>for capital improvements at CityView Center</i>	45,280
The Nord Center Lorain, OH <i>in support of the Lorain County Housing Service Program</i>	10,500
Ohio Association of Railroad Passengers Columbus, OH <i>to promote and improve public transportation service along the West Shore corridor</i>	7,500
Properties Initiative - Amherst Historical Society Amherst, OH <i>for maintenance and repair of charitable use properties managed by the Amherst Historical Society for 2008</i>	125,000
Properties Initiative - Oberlin Depot Oberlin, OH <i>for maintenance and repair of charitable use properties managed by Clark Brothers for 2008</i>	5,000
Towards Employment, Inc. Cleveland, OH <i>in continued support of the Achieve Program, a job training and support initiative for entry-level workers</i>	20,000
Women's Bean Project Denver, CO <i>in continued support of job training and placement services for low-income and chronically unemployed women</i>	10,000

Total Civic Affairs **\$323,280**

Education

Bill of Rights Institute Arlington, VA <i>in continued support of Teaching the Next Generation About America's Founding</i>	\$42,000
Clemson University Clemson, SC <i>in support of the Clemson Student Investigators Midlands Project</i>	49,930
Cleveland Council on World Affairs Cleveland, OH <i>in support of the Model United Nations Program 2008-2009 for Lorain County High School Students</i>	10,000
Sandhills Academy Columbia, SC <i>in support of a scholarship program to serve the needs of learning disabled children</i>	25,000

from the public school system

Urban Ecology Institute Inc. 35,000
Chestnut Hill, MA
Expansion of UEI's Science Learning Pathway for Urban Youth into 21st Century Jobs and Community Leadership

Total Education **\$161,930**

Health and Social Services

American Red Cross - Lorain County Chapter \$16,000
Elyria, OH

for disaster relief assistance

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lorain County 35,000

Lorain, OH

for general operating support

Heart of Ohio Council - Boy Scouts of America 15,000

Ashland, OH

in support of the Scoutreach program in Lorain County

Colorado Coalition for the Homeless 25,000

Denver, CO

in support of the Health Outreach Program

Communicare, Inc. 25,000

Columbia, SC

to expand access to prescription medications for the working uninsured

Doctors Care 15,000

Littleton, CO

to expand access to health care services to low-income and uninsured children and adults

Family Advocacy, Care, Education, Support Inc. 15,000

Denver, CO

for the Home Visitation Program

The Gathering Place 10,000

Cleveland, OH

in support of program expansion

The Guidance Center, Inc. 15,000

Cambridge, MA

in support of Early Childhood Developmental Screening Services

Harrison Cultural Community Centre 25,000

Lorain, OH

in support of programs for children and youth

Little Lighthouse Learning Center 50,000

Lorain, OH

for staffing support and classroom furnishings

Lorain County Office on Aging 10,000

Elyria, OH

in support of the Kinship Caregiver Program

Lorain County Furniture Bank 8,000

Lorain, OH

for general operating support

Massachusetts Advocates for Children 25,000

Boston, MA

<i>in support of the Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative</i>	
Merrick House	10,000
Cleveland, OH	
<i>for the Female Youth Mentoring Program</i>	
North Ridgeville Community Care	11,000
North Ridgeville, OH	
<i>in support of the Children's Program</i>	
Parent Pathways	25,000
Denver, CO	
<i>in support of Life Skills Training and support services at the Florence Crittenton School</i>	
Providence House, Inc.	25,000
Cleveland, OH	
<i>for general operating support</i>	
The Salvation Army - Elyria, OH	25,000
Elyria, OH	
<i>in support of programs for children and youth</i>	
Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio	50,000
Lorain, OH	
<i>to increase resources to the hunger-relief network</i>	
Sistercare, Inc.	40,244
Columbia, SC	
<i>in continued support of the Early Intervention Counseling Program</i>	
South Carolina Association of Nonprofit Organizations	15,000
Columbia, SC	
<i>in support of the 2008 Nonprofit Public Policy Conference</i>	
Trinity Housing Corporation	25,000
Columbia, SC	
<i>in support of the Children's Program at St. Lawrence Place</i>	
<i>Total Health and Social Services</i>	<u>\$515,244</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$1,290,454</u>