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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 25, 2011 Board of Trustees meeting, grants approved totaled \$1,828,000 to be disbursed in Lorain County, Ohio; Cuyahoga County, Ohio; Columbia, South Carolina; Penn Yan, New York and Denver, Colorado. Sixty four other actions totaling \$84,116 were also ratified at the meeting bringing the total grants authorized in this round to \$1,912,116. 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 \$82 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](http://www.nordff.org) or you may write to 747 Milan Avenue, Amherst, Ohio 44001, or call 440/984-3939 or 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 2011. Deadline for consideration of online grant applications is August 1, 2011.

<p><b>The Nord Family Foundation</b>  <b>Approved Grants from the June 25, 2011 Board of Trustees Meeting</b></p>
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**ARTS & CULTURE**

<i><b>The Beck Center for the Cultural Arts</b></i>	<i><b>\$15,000</b></i>
Lakewood, OH toward a fundraising challenge	
<i><b>Cleveland Public Theatre, Inc.</b></i>	<i><b>20,000</b></i>
Cleveland, OH in continued support of the Women's Voices Project at the YWCA of Elyria	
<i><b>Littleton Town Hall Arts Center</b></i>	<i><b>12,000</b></i>
Littleton, CO in support of Arts on the Move, an arts integration outreach program	
<i><b>The MAD* Factory</b></i>	<i><b>40,000</b></i>
Oberlin, OH in continued support of theatre arts-based programs for youth	
<i><b>Oberlin Choristers</b></i>	<i><b>25,000</b></i>
Oberlin, OH in support of general operations	
<i><b>Ohio Dance Theatre</b></i>	<i><b>50,000</b></i>
Oberlin, OH in continued support of general operations	
<i><b>PlatteForum: connecting youth + art + learning</b></i>	<i><b>15,000</b></i>
Denver, CO in support of the ArtLab, Learning Lab, and Creative Residency programs	
<i><b>Professional Flair/Dancing Wheels</b></i>	<i><b>5,000</b></i>
Cleveland, OH for outreach to the Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities – Murray Ridge Center	
<i><b>Young Audiences of Northeast Ohio</b></i>	<i><b>25,000</b></i>
Cleveland, OH in support of arts programming in Lorain County schools for 2011-2012	
<b>Total Arts and Culture</b>	<b>\$207,000</b>

**CIVIC AFFAIRS**

<i><b>The Advertising Council of Rochester</b></i>	<i><b>\$5,000</b></i>
Rochester, NY in support of a collaborative capacity building program for nonprofit organizations	
<i><b>Amherst Downtown Betterment Association</b></i>	<i><b>20,000</b></i>
Amherst, OH in continued support of downtown revitalization efforts	
<i><b>Community Foundation of Lorain County</b></i>	<i><b>30,000</b></i>
Elyria, OH for a study of 911 emergency service consolidation	

<b><i>Cornucopia, Inc.</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Lakewood, OH	
in continued support of vocational training and job placement services for people with severe disabilities	
<b><i>Home Works of America, Inc.</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
in continued support of home repair services for elderly and disabled homeowners in greater Columbia, SC	
<b><i>ideastream</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Cleveland, OH	
in continued support of locally produced programs and PBS NewsHour	
<b>Lorain Growth Corporation</b>	<b>10,000</b>
Lorain, OH	
in support of downtown revitalization efforts	
<b><i>Main Street Elyria</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Elyria, OH	
in continued support of downtown revitalization efforts	
<b><i>Main Street Oberlin</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Oberlin, OH	
in continued support of downtown revitalization efforts	
<b><i>Mainstreet Wellington, Inc.</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Wellington, OH	
in continued support of downtown revitalization efforts	
<b><i>Neighborhood Progress, Inc.</i></b>	<b>20,000</b>
Cleveland, OH	
in support of sustainable redevelopment efforts in targeted neighborhoods	
<b><i>Project Pet/Pawmetto Lifeline</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
in support of educational programs, and veterinary services for pets of low-income families	
<b><i>Properties Initiative - The New Union Center for the Arts</i></b>	<b>100,000</b>
Oberlin, OH	
in support of renovation to the building	
<b><i>Rochester Area Community Foundation</i></b>	<b>100,000</b>
Rochester, NY	
to establish the Penn Yan community fund-an affiliate of Rochester Area Community Foundation	
<b><i>The Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland, Inc.</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Cleveland, OH	
in support of capital improvements and expansion	
<b><i>Souper Bowl of Caring</i></b>	<b>20,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
in support of general operations and program development	
<b><i>Towards Employment, Inc.</i></b>	<b>20,000</b>
Cleveland, OH	
in support of the Advancement Academy job retention initiative	
<b><i>University of South Carolina Educational Foundation</i></b>	<b>150,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
for capital improvements at the future home of the Children's Law Center.	

<b><i>Women's Bean Project</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Denver, CO in continued support of job readiness programs for chronically unemployed women	
<b><i>Work Options for Women</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Denver, CO in continued support of job training and employment placement services	

<b>Total Civic Affairs</b>	<b>\$635,000</b>
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**EDUCATION**

<b><i>Boys &amp; Girls Clubs of the Midlands</i></b>	<b>\$48,000</b>
Columbia, SC in continued support of Project Learn	
<b><i>Catholic Diocese of Cleveland</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Cleveland, OH in support of the Keys to Excellence Program	
<b><i>Cleveland Zoological Society</i></b>	<b>65,000</b>
Cleveland, OH in support of the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo's Virtual Learning Environment for educators and students	
<b><i>Independence Institute</i></b>	<b>5,000</b>
Golden, CO in support of the School Choice for Kids Website Project	
<b><i>Invent Now, Inc.</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
North Canton, OH in support of the Club Invention Program in Lorain County and Columbia (SC) Public Schools	
<b><i>Lorain County Community College Foundation</i></b>	<b>9,000</b>
Elyria, OH as fiscal agent for Atmosphere Adventures, in continued support of a science enrichment program in Lorain County schools	
<b><i>The Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges, Inc</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Columbus, OH in support of the Bridges College Readiness Program for the Elyria Boys and Girls Club	
<b><i>United Negro College Fund, Inc.</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Cleveland, OH in continued support of The Nord Family Foundation Scholarship	

<b>Total Education</b>	<b>\$182,000</b>
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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

<b><i>Salvation Army of the Midlands</i></b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
Columbia, SC in support of the hot meals program	
<b><i>Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lorain County</i></b>	<b>40,000</b>
North Ridgeville, OH for general operating support	
<b><i>Camp Discovery at His Acres</i></b>	<b>50,000</b>
Blythewood, SC to hire an executive director	

<b><i>Catholic Charities Health and Human Services</i></b>	<b>45,000</b>
Cleveland, OH in support of emergency assistance services at the Family Center and St. Joseph Overnight Shelter	
<b><i>Child Care Resource Center</i></b>	<b>88,000</b>
Lorain, OH in support of the Shared Solutions Alliance, over two years	
<b><i>The Children's Developmental Center</i></b>	<b>20,000</b>
Amherst, OH for general operating support	
<b><i>The Cooperative Ministry</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Columbia, SC for emergency assistance services	
<b><i>Family Advocacy, Care, Education, Support, Inc.</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Denver, CO in support of the Home Visitation Program	
<b><i>Family Promise of Lorain County</i></b>	<b>30,000</b>
Elyria, OH in support of the Interfaith Hospitality Network	
<b><i>Florence Crittenton Services</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Denver, CO in support of Healthy Families Programs	
<b><i>The Free Medical Clinic</i></b>	<b>30,000</b>
Columbia, SC in support of personnel costs	
<b><i>The Gathering Place</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Denver, CO for general operating support	
<b><i>Girls Inc. of Greater Columbia</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Columbia, SC in support of the Allies In Action bullying prevention program	
<b><i>Little Lighthouse Learning Center</i></b>	<b>20,000</b>
Lorain, OH for general operating support	
<b><i>Lorain County Office on Aging</i></b>	<b>20,000</b>
Elyria, OH in support of the Kinship Caregiver Program	
<b><i>MedWish International</i></b>	<b>10,000</b>
Cleveland, OH to provide humanitarian relief for Haiti earthquake survivors	
<b><i>Mental Illness Recovery Center, Inc.</i></b>	<b>30,000</b>
Columbia, SC in support of the Homeless Recovery Center	
<b><i>North Coast Health Ministry</i></b>	<b>15,000</b>
Lakewood, OH for general operating support	
<b><i>North Ridgeville Community Care</i></b>	<b>8,000</b>
North Ridgeville, OH in support of the Children's Program	
<b><i>Providence House, Inc.</i></b>	<b>25,000</b>
Cleveland, OH	

for direct care costs	
<b>SafeHouse Denver, Inc.</b>	<b>10,000</b>
Denver, CO	
in support of the Counseling and Advocacy Center	
<b>Save Our Children of Elyria, Inc.</b>	<b>25,000</b>
Elyria, OH	
in support of the Summer Program	
<b>Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio</b>	<b>60,000</b>
Lorain, OH	
to increase resources to the hunger-relief network	
<b>Sistercare, Inc.</b>	<b>41,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
for the Early Intervention Counseling Program	
<b>Trinity Housing Corporation</b>	<b>25,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
in support of the Children's Program at St. Lawrence Place	
<b>United Way of the Midlands</b>	<b>25,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
in support of SC Mission 2011 Midlands	
<b>Vital Connections of the Midlands, Inc.</b>	<b>29,000</b>
Columbia, SC	
in support of Children's Garden	
<b>Warren Village, Inc.</b>	<b>25,000</b>
Denver, CO	
for general operating support	
<b>Wildflower Women's Foundation</b>	<b>8,000</b>
Littleton, CO	
for general operating support and the Scholarship Program	

<b>Total Health and Social Services</b>	<b>\$794,000</b>
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**OTHER**

<b>National Center for Family Philanthropy</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Washington, DC	
for the family foundation CEO Leadership Initiative	

<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$1,828,000</b>
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