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WHY WE GIVE

Nordson Corporation founders created the Nordson Foundation around the time of the company's establishment based on the belief that business, as a corporate citizen, has a social responsibility to share its success with the communities in which it operates and its employees live. In 1988, the original Nordson Foundation was split into the Nord Family Foundation and the Nordson Corporation Foundation. Today, the philanthropic spirit of our company founders lives on in Nordson Corporation's commitment to contribute five percent of domestic, pretax earnings to the communities where we have major operations.

HOW WE GIVE

Nordson Corporation Foundation focuses its giving on education. We believe that for individuals to become thriving members of society, they must be exposed to a variety of educational experiences – from early childhood through adulthood. Therefore, we provide funding to support educational experiences for people of all ages with the belief that:

- All individuals deserve access to quality educational experiences
- Every person deserves a chance to become a selfsufficient member of society
- A continuum of quality educational opportunities is needed

While education is our main focus, the Nordson Corporation Foundation also provides grants to support arts and culture, civic and human welfare organizations as a way to further strengthen our communities.



WAYS WE GIVE

Foundation Grants

Community Affairs Committees (CACs) consisting of employees from different departments at Nordson Corporation businesses review grant requests and recommend support to nonprofits within their respective regions. CACs operate at Nordson Corporation facilities in Ohio, Georgia, California and Rhode Island. Their recommendations are then sent to the Foundation's board of directors for final approval. In 2006, the Foundation awarded \$1,074,165 in grants.

Corporate Gifts

In addition to grants,
Nordson Corporation makes
direct contributions to
community organizations
through event sponsorships
and one-time projects. In
2006, we distributed
\$192,658 in corporate gifts.

Employee Matching Gifts

Nordson Corporation supports our employees' philanthropic giving through a program that matches dollar-for-dollar employee and retiree contributions to nonprofits and educational institutions, up to \$6,000 per individual per year. In 2006, Nordson employees and retirees donated \$351,056 to causes they care about. With Nordson Corporation's match of those dollars, an additional \$318,916 went to help our communities.

Employee Volunteerism

Nordson's employee volunteer program, Time 'n Talent, was started in 1993 and has been going strong ever since. Nearly every weekend, Nordson employees can be found out in their communities walking to raise money for a cause, bringing smiles to children in hospitals, packing boxes at a food bank and more. In 2006, employees spent more than 6,000 hours helping nonprofit organizations by volunteering their time and talent.

"Kids don't just learn science from text books; they learn it from hands-on activities. Science Link teaches them that science is fun."



The Children's Initiative



Sarah Mostosi, Critical Hours Resource Coordinator,
 The Children's Initiative

United Way

Yearly campaigns to benefit the United Way have been a long-standing tradition at Nordson facilities. In 2006, employees in Ohio, Georgia, California and Rhode Island gave a combined \$233,572 to the United Way. Nordson Corporation's dollar-for-dollar match of employee contributions meant more than \$467,000 went to support United Way agencies.

Technical Assistance Taskforce

Nonprofit organizations benefit from more than just Nordson Corporation Foundation grants. They also receive technical support from our employees, who lend their expertise on tasks such as balancing financial statements and installing computer systems.



College Visions

WHERE WE GIVE

The Nordson Corporation
Foundation's giving is
concentrated in areas where
the company has major
U.S. operations.

- Ohio Lorain County
- Georgia Greater Atlanta, Dawsonville, Swainsboro, Norcross and Talladega
- Rhode Island Greater Providence
- California San Diego
 County

Everybody Wins! Atlanta

Helping kids become better readers was the focus of a \$5,000 grant to Everybody Wins! Atlanta, an organization dedicated to improving literacy rates of elementary school children in the Atlanta, Georgia, metropolitan area. The group's Power Lunch reading and mentoring program pairs a working professional with a student for lunchtime reading. When children are read to on a consistent basis, they become better readers themselves and develop better concentration and listening skills.

College Visions

For first-generation college bound youth, applying for college can be a confusing and overwhelming endeavor. College Visions is a yearlong program that guides low-income high school students in East Providence, Rhode Island, through the college admissions process. College Visions' services include research on postsecondary institutions, financial aid workshops, application and essay writing assistance and more. A \$3,000 grant from Nordson Corporation Foundation allowed College Visions to increase the number of students in its program from 20 to 40.





"It is encouraging to see students in the Power Lunch program develop and improve their reading skills, forge mentoring relationships with caring adults and improve their scores on tests needed to advance to the next grade. We are grateful for the investment that Nordson is making in our community's youth."

- Terri Beck, Executive Director, Everybody Wins! Atlanta



University Circle Incorporated

Research on child development and learning has shown that very young children retain abstract concepts better when they are taught in an objectbased, multi-sensory manner. University Circle Incorporated's community education department used this knowledge to create the Early Learning Initiative, which integrates programming at the cultural and scientific museums located in Cleveland Ohio's University Circle neighborhood into the preschool teaching curriculum, A \$31,320 grant from Nordson Corporation Foundation enabled all Lorain City preschools to participate in the eight-month program.

"The grant from Nordson Corporation Foundation is making it possible for kids in Lorain County to explore the wonderful organizations in University Circle and take part in activities that enrich the learning process."

 Diana L. Robbins, Director of Community Education, University Circle Incorporated



The Children's Initiative

The Children's Initiative exists to improve the well being of youth in San Diego County, California. The group's Science Link program prepares students for higher learning by providing science, math and technology workshops and field trips to students in after-school programs. A \$3,750 grant from Nordson Corporation Foundation helped purchase equipment and supplies and pay for field trips.

Elyria City Schools

The Foundation provided a \$70,000 grant to the city schools in Elyria, Ohio, in order to expand kindergarten classes from a half day to a full day in all of the district's 13 elementary schools. Nordson Corporation Foundation's grant purchased the support materials needed for two of the schools, which serve 140 students in six classrooms.

Atlanta Ballet

A \$5,000 grant to the Atlanta Ballet supported its dance education at Parklane Elementary School in East Point, Georgia. Dancers from the company, which is the nation's oldest continuously operating ballet company, conduct a weekly mandatory dance lesson for the school's 450 plus students. The program has had a positive impact on student behavior, with the number of disruptive incidents dropping from nearly 1,000 a year to less than 200.

Music Time Learning Center

Music Time Learning Center in Lawrenceville, Georgia, uses music education to enhance learning and develop a love of music in children. A \$5,000 grant from Nordson Corporation Foundation allowed the group to provide its Raising Musical Children program to three low-income day care centers, reaching 150 children.



Towards Employment

Helping low-income individuals successfully enter the workforce and become self sufficient has been the mission of Towards Employment since it began in 1976. Through training. placement and ongoing support services, the agency has helped 100,000 residents in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, become and stay employed. In 2006, Nordson Corporation Foundation awarded Towards Employment a \$20,000, two-year grant for its Achieve program, which works with employers to increase their employee retention rates and improve skills so that employees can advance in their jobs.





Interfaith Community Services

A \$3,750 grant to Interfaith Community Services in North San Diego, California, supported a program that provides transitional housing for homeless families. In addition to a safe place to live, the program also assists clients in finding jobs and teaches them life skills.

Monarch School was founded in San Diego County, California, in 1988 to improve the lives of homeless youth through education. In addition to serving as an educational institution, Monarch provides its students, who range in age from eight to 18, with food, clothing, health and dental care and counseling. A \$3,750 Nordson Corporation Foundation grant for general operating support helped cover educational expenses for Monarch School's more than 150 students.

"Because of the Nordson
Corporation Foundation, we have
been able to increase the number
of schools we serve as well as train
new teachers and supply them
with teaching materials and
instruments. It's exciting to see a
need in the community and be
able to make a difference while
doing something we love!"

- Mary Beth Frasier, Executive Director, Music Time Learning Center



OUR GRANT

Guidelines

Nordson Corporation Foundation reviews and considers grant requests on the basis of their enrichment to the communities where our employees live and work. Primarily, our grantmaking supports organizations that enhance educational experiences and provide learning opportunities. Additionally, grants are made to arts and culture, human welfare and civic organizations that provide programs to benefit the communities where our employees live and work.

To receive a grant, organizations must be considered nonprofit, tax-exempt institutions as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Requests

All grant requests must be submitted using the Nordson Corporation Foundation Application Form, which can be found online at www.nordson. com/Corporate/Community/Foundation. You can also request an application from any member of our Foundation staff.

Board

Members of Nordson Corporation's executive leadership provide their experience, knowledge and compassion in service as Foundation board members. The following Nordson Corporation employees make up the Foundation's board:

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Education

Organization	Grant Purpose (Grant Amount	City
Amherst City Schools	Nordson School Fund	\$5,000	Amherst, Ohio
Case Western Reserve University	Eric T. Nord Endowed Fund	\$606,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Center for Leadership in Education	General Operating Support	\$225,000	Elyria, Ohio
The Children's Initiative	Science Link Program	\$3,750	San Diego, California
Cleveland Festival of Art and Technology	Funding for Lorain County Students to Participate in Camp Ingent	uity \$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Institute of Art	Scholarships for Lorain County Students	\$6,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Scholarship Programs Inc.	Programming for Lorain County	\$15,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Scholarship Programs Inc.	College Advisory Services for Lorain County Students	\$35,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Signstage Theatre	Residency Program for Westwood Junior High in Elyria, Ohio	\$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
College Visions	College Admissions Coaching	\$3,000	Providence, Rhode Island
Common Ground	Earth Camp Scholarships	\$5,000	Oberlin, Ohio
Community Preparatory School	Scholarship for Inner-City Student	\$5,000	Providence, Rhode Island
Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association	Lorain and Elyria Schools Gifted Program Partnership	\$10,160	Peninsula, Ohio
Eckerd Youth Alternatives Inc.	Camp Educational Program	\$10,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Educational Service Center of Lorain County	Nordson School Fund	\$7,000	Elyria, Ohio
El Barrio	Workforce Development Program	\$25,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Elaine Clark Center for Exceptional Children General		\$6,000	Chamblee, Georgia
Elyria City Schools	Nordson School Fund	\$5,000	Elyria, Ohio
Elyria City Schools	Expansion to Full-Day Kindergarten	\$70,000	Elyria, Ohio
Everybody Wins! Atlanta	Dresden Elementary School Literacy Program	\$5,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Firelands Association for the Visual Arts	General Operating Support	\$10,000	Oberlin, Ohio
HOPE Worldwide-Georgia	Child Development and Tutorial Program	\$5,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Junior Achievement of Georgia Inc.	Norcross Elementary School Latino Initiative	\$5,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Junior Achievement of Lorain County Inc.	General Operating Support	\$6,000	Elyria, Ohio
Katie Brown Educational Program	Education Program for East Providence	\$5,000	Fall River, Massachusetts
The Linden School		\$10,000	Elyria, Ohio
	General Operating Support	\$10,000	
Little Lighthouse Learning Center	Bridge Grant Support for EIRST Poporties Business Projects Competition	\$3,000	Lorain, Ohio Lorain, Ohio
Lorain Admiral King Robotics Team	Support for FIRST Robotics Buckeye Regional Competition		· ·
Lorain City Schools Lorain County Community College Foundation	Nordson School Fund	\$5,000 \$400,000	Lorain, Ohio Elyria, Ohio
Meadowbrook Waldorf School	Engineering Scholarships and Levy Campaign Fund Installation of Rain Gardens	\$5,000	
			Richmond, Rhode Island
Monarch School Project	General Operating Support and Educational Supportive Expenses		San Diego, California
National Inventors Hall of Fame National Inventors Hall of Fame	Camp Invention Program in Lorain County	\$5,000 \$2,500	Akron, Ohio Akron, Ohio
	Scholarships for Camp Invention Tutoring for Oberlin Public School Students		Oberlin, Ohio
Oberlin Community Services	Tutoring for Oberlin Public School Students	\$3,200 \$35,000	
Ohio Foundation of Independent Our Lady of the Wayside	Colleges Scholarship Support	\$5,000	Columbus, Ohio
	Computer Skills Development Program		Avon, Ohio
Paul Cuffee School The Burdue Foundation Inc.	Instruments for the Music Room	\$3,000	Providence, Rhode Island
The Purdue Foundation Inc.	Engineering Rooms and Laboratories	\$100,000	West Lafayette, Indiana
Scholastic Games	Scholastic Games of Lorain County Programming	\$3,600	Elyria, Ohio
Science Olympiad	2006 Science Olympiad Tournament	\$5,000	Elyria, Ohio
Sophia Academy	New Desks and Chairs	\$6,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett Inc.	Sessions for Children with Speech and Language Disorders	\$6,000	Lawrenceville, Georgia
Swainsboro Middle School	Reading Software Purchase	\$5,000	Swainsboro, Georgia
University Circle Inc.	Early Learning Initiative Program	\$31,320	Cleveland, Ohio
Youth4Youth	Students Leadership Conference	\$5,000	Litchfield, Ohio
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Arts & Culture

Organization	Grant Purpose	Grant Amount	City
Atlanta Ballet	Dance Education Program	\$5,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Beck Center for the Cultural Arts	Educational Outreach Programs	\$3,000	Lakewood, Ohio
Idea Center	Idea Center Campaign	\$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Contemporary Dance Theatre	Project with Save Our Children	\$2,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Opera	Music! Words! Opera!	\$6,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Play House	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Public Theatre	Women's Voices Project	\$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Emanuel Arts Council Inc.	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Swainsboro, Georgia
Great Lakes Theater Festival	School Residency Program	\$3,500	Cleveland, Ohio
Lorain County Scholastic Art Exhibit	Art Exhibit	\$4,185	Elyria, Ohio
MAD Factory	General Operating Support	\$6,000	Oberlin, Ohio
Music Time Learning Center	Music Education Programs for Daycare Centers	\$5,000	Lawrenceville, Georgia
Ohio Dance Theatre	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Oberlin, Ohio
Playhouse Square Foundation	General Operating Support	\$2,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Young Audiences of Northeast Ohio	Arts Education Programs for Lorain County Schools	\$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
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Civic

Organization	Grant Purpose	Grant Amount	City
City Club of Cleveland	Underwriting for The City Club Friday Forums	\$10,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland Museum of Natural History	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Community Foundation of Greater Lorain County	Branding Project	\$10,000	Lorain, Ohio
Grafton Village History Association Inc.	Educational Programs	\$2,500	Grafton, Ohio
HealthSpace	Cleveland Scholarships for Lorain County Students to Atte	nd Programs \$3,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Interfaith Community Services	Family Housing Program	\$3,750	Escondido, California
Lake Erie Nature and Science Center	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Bay Village, Ohio
Leadership Lorain County	Engaging Leaders of Our Future Project	\$7,000	Elyria, Ohio
Lorain County Labor Agency	Community Awareness Network Program	\$3,000	Lorain, Ohio
Oberlin Historical and Improvement Organization	General Operating Support	\$7,500	Oberlin, Ohio
Pomham Rocks Lighthouse	Lighthouse Restoration	\$1,500	East Providence, RI
South Lorain Community Development Corporation	General Operating Support	\$10,000	Lorain, Ohio
Towards Employment	Project Achieve	\$10,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Town Hall of Cleveland	Scholarships for Lorain County Students to Attend Program	ns \$2,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Boy Scouts of America - Atlanta Area Council	General Operating Support	\$2,000	Atlanta, Georgia
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Health

Organization	Grant Purpose	Grant Amount	City
National Multiple Sclerosis Society -			
Ohio Buckeye Chapter Individual	Counseling Program	\$2.500	Independence, Ohio
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Human Welfare

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Organization	Grant Purpose	Grant Amount	City
American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter	Roof Replacement on Chapter Building	\$7,500	Elyria, Ohio
ANGELS Foster Family Agency	New Family Readiness Fund	\$3,750	San Diego, California
Boys and Girls Club of Lorain County	General Operating Support	\$7,500	Oberlin, Ohio
Casa de Amparo	General Operating Support	\$3,750	San Luis Rey, California
Children's Restoration Network	General Operating Support	\$5,000	Dunwoody, Georgia
CHRIS Kids Inc.	General Operating Support	\$2,500	Atlanta, Georgia
Citizens Against Violence	General Operating Support	\$1,500	Statesboro, Georgia
Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center	General Operating Support	\$6,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Community Resources Center	Children's Domestic Violence Intervention Program	\$3,750	Encinitas, California
Concern for Children	Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Education	\$3,000	Anniston, Alabama
Conflict Resolution Center of the West Shore	General Operating Support	\$4,000	Westlake, Ohio
Cornucopia Inc.	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Lakewood, Ohio
Dream House for Medically Fragile Children	General Operating Support	\$5,000	Lilburn, Georgia
Erie Shores Girl Scout Council Inc.	Camp Timberland Capital Campaign	\$20,000	Lorain, Ohio
Federal Hill House	Bundles of Joy Family Resource Center	\$1,500	Providence, Rhode Island
Forsyth County Child Advocacy Center	General Operating Support	\$7,500	Cumming, Georgia
Friends of Disabled Adults Inc.	General Operating Support	\$7,000	Stone Mountain, Georgia
Georgia Association of Homes and Services	deneral operating support	Ψ7,000	Storic Wouritain, acorgia
for Children Foundation	College Scholarships for Children Leaving Foster Care	\$12,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Georgia Center for Children Inc.	General Operating Support	\$7,500	Atlanta, Georgia
Gwinnett/Rockdale/Newton Creative Enterprises Inc.	1 6 11	\$5,000	Lawrenceville, Georgia
Hall-Dawson County Appointed Special Advocates	Child Advocate Programs	\$6,500	Gainesville, Georgia
Harrison Cultural Community Centre		\$6,000	·
	General Operating Support	\$2,000	Lorain, Ohio
Heart of Ohio Council, Boy Scouts of America	Lorain County Scoutreach Programs		Ashland, Ohio
Interfaith Outreach Home	General Operating Support	\$5,000	Doraville, Georgia
Lekotek of Georgia Inc.	Computer Equipment for Disabled Users	\$3,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Lorain County Habitat for Humanity Inc.	New Home Construction	\$5,000	Elyria, Ohio
Lorain County Task Force for the Homeless	Emergency Food and Shelter Program	\$10,000	Lorain, Ohio
Lorain County Urban League General	Operating Support	\$10,000	Elyria, Ohio
Mama's Kitchen	Family Grocery Bag Program	\$3,750	San Diego, California
Neighborhood House Association of Lorain County	General Operating Support	\$10,000	Lorain, Ohio
Norcross Cooperative Ministry General	Operating Support	\$2,500	Norcross, Georgia
North Fulton Community Charities	Money Matters Workshops	\$2,500	Roswell, Georgia
North Gwinnett Cooperative	General Operating Support	\$1,500	Buford, Georgia
Oberlin Early Childhood Center	General Operating Support	\$5,000	Oberlin, Ohio
Our House	General Operating Support	\$5,000	Decatur, Georgia
Partnership Against Domestic Violence	24-Hour Hotline	\$3,000	Atlanta, Georgia
Refugee Family Services Inc.	Support for Literacy Program	\$3,000	Stone Mountain, Georgia
Save Our Children Inc.	Roof Replacement	\$7,700	Elyria, Ohio
Save Our Children Inc.	General Operating Support	\$10,000	Elyria, Ohio
The Sunshine House Children's Advocacy Center	General Operating Support	\$5,000	Swainsboro, Georgia
USO Council of San Diego	Family Programs	\$3,750	San Diego, California
Vermillion Family YMCA	General Operating Support	\$3,000	Vermillion, Ohio
Vocational Guidance Services	General Operating Support for the Elyria Center	\$6,000	Cleveland, Ohio
Wesleyan Senior Living Foundation	Mobile Meals Program	\$3,000	Elyria, Ohio
Youth Challenge	Building Fund	\$4,000	Westlake, Ohio
		\$242,950	