



The A. O. Smith Foundation has given a five-year grant to The Medical College of Wisconsin Cardiovascular Center which will support the creation of the A. O. Smith Fellowship Scholars Program. This unique program is designed to support talented cardiovascular researchers and physicians in an innovative educational program that provides mentoring, training, research support, and the necessary resources to overcome the barriers that exist to launching and sustaining a successful research career.

The Cardiovascular Center at MCW has a long-standing tradition in cardiovascular sciences stemming from fundamental biology and physiology to cutting edge clinical and translational discovery. With strengths in stem cell biology, genomics, hypertension and microcirculatory function, the Cardiovascular Center takes a collaborative and interdisciplinary approach to research and clinical care.

MCW is the only academic institution in southeastern Wisconsin where physicians and scientists are actively engaged in the fight against heart disease, stroke, and numerous other life-threatening conditions. With more than 30,000 square feet of research space and approximately 75 clinical trials underway on any given day, more than 200 researchers and doctors conduct basic science and clinical research aimed at improving outcomes for patients and families.

## Application Process

No specific application form is required to request support from the A. O. Smith Foundation. Inquiries should be made on your organization's letterhead and include the following information:

- Verification of IRS 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt status
- Exact name and location of the organization
- Description of the organization, including objectives & purpose
- Geographic area served by the organization
- Explanation of the activity for which support is being requested
- Description of the benefits and who will receive them
- Amount of support being requested
- Budget information, including other sources of income
- Plans for reporting results


In addition to the letter, include any brochures, pamphlets or other printed material describing your organization in greater detail to support your application.

Letters of inquiry and other supporting information should be addressed to:

Mr. Roger S. Smith  
 Director of Community Affairs  
 A. O. Smith Foundation, Inc.  
 P. O. Box 245008  
 Milwaukee, WI 53224-9508

The Bylaws of the A. O. Smith Foundation prohibit contributions to politically active organizations or any other organization whose chief purpose is to influence legislation.

Although the Foundation does not have a deadline for applications, proposals to be considered for the following year's budget must be received by the end of October. Requests for assistance are generally reviewed in the order in which they are received and a written response is provided to each applicant.



**A.O. Smith Foundation**  
*Committed to the Community Since 1955*

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## About the A. O. Smith Foundation

Established in 1955, the A. O. Smith Foundation has been supported by donations from the A. O. Smith Corporation and has provided over \$40 million in financial support to worthwhile community organizations, institutions and programs.

In 1985, the Foundation established a Matching Gift Program to encourage employees of the corporation to financially support education. The Foundation believes education to be one of the most important investments individuals can make in the future. Under the terms of the program, the Foundation matches dollar for dollar all employee contributions, up to a maximum of \$3,000 per year, to qualified colleges, universities and high schools.

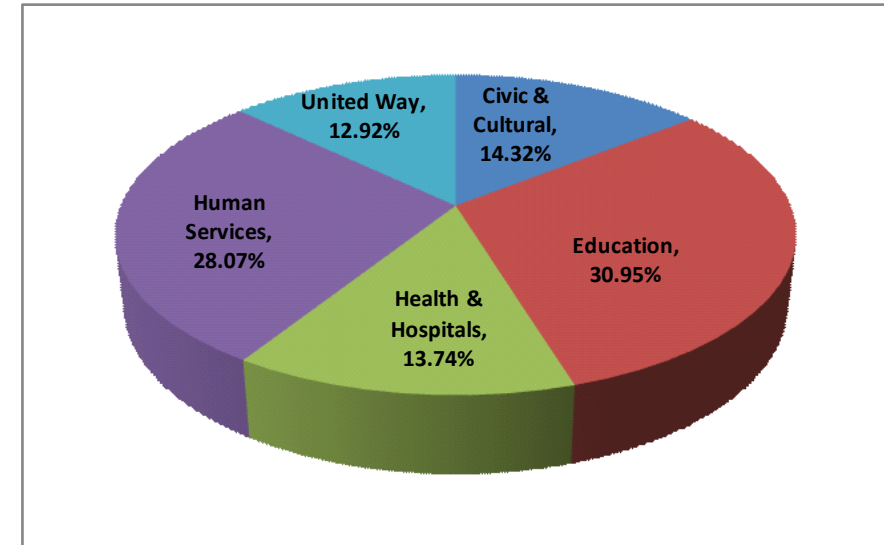
The Foundation also supports a scholarship program to assist employees' children who plan to continue education in college or vocational-technical school. Renewable scholarships are offered each year for full-time study at an accredited institution of the student's choice.

## Mission Statement

The A. O. Smith Foundation is committed to make our communities a better place to live and to work. We achieve this by partnering with and supporting higher education, cultural and social welfare, medical research, and improved health services in the communities in which we operate. At the same time, the Foundation encourages A. O. Smith employees around the world to live the company's values through volunteerism and community involvement.



## 2016 Contributions Summary



## Administration

The A. O. Smith Foundation is governed by a five member Board of Directors and its operations are administered by the Foundation's Secretary, who is a member of the Board. The Foundation Board of Directors meet regularly in June and December. Special meetings are held periodically throughout the year as deemed necessary by the President or Secretary. The Foundation's fiscal year is January 1 through December 31.

### Board of Directors

Edward O'Connor, Mark Petrarca, Ajita Rajendra,  
Bruce Smith, Roger Smith

### Officers

Bruce Smith-President,  
Mark Petrarca-Secretary, John Kita-Treasurer

## *Education*

Artist Working in Education  
Alverno College  
Americans In Wartime Museum  
Beechwood High School  
Boone County High School  
Business Today  
Camp Ernst Middle School  
Cardinal Stritch University  
Carroll University  
Castle Heights Upper Elementary  
Centro De La Comunidad Unida  
Cheatham County Schools  
Cheatham Vision  
Columbia Central High School  
Communities in Schools  
Cookeville High School  
Cumberland University  
Davidson Yell and Tell Fdn  
Divine Savior Holy Angels High School  
East Tennessee State University  
Economics' Wisconsin  
Franklin High School  
Hope Christian Schools  
Imagination Library  
Junior Achievement  
Lake Country Lutheran High School  
Literacy Services of Wisconsin, Inc.  
Marquette University High School  
Messmer Catholic Schools  
Milwaukee Montessori School  
Milwaukee School of Engineering  
PAVE  
Rees Scholarship Foundation  
Riveredge Nature Center  
Schlitz Audubon Nature Center  
School Choice Wisconsin  
School House Players  
Schools That Can Milwaukee  
Sharp Literacy

Shirley Mann Elementary School  
Saint Joan Antida High School  
Saint Marcus School  
STEM Forward  
Teach for America  
Upper Grand Learning Foundation  
University of Wisconsin Milwaukee  
Wisconsin Business World  
Wisconsin Fdn for Independent Colleges  
Wisconsin Lutheran College  
Wisconsin Lutheran High School  
Youth Leadership Cheatham County

### Matching Gifts

Alverno College  
Aquinas Academy  
Augustana College  
Catholic Memorial High School  
Clemson University  
Fordham Preparatory School  
ILT Madras Foundation  
Lourdes High School  
Marquette University  
Missouri University of Science & Technology  
Northwestern Kellogg School of Management  
Ohio State University Foundation  
Trinity Academy  
University of Illinois Foundation  
University of Notre Dame  
University of South Carolina  
University of Utah  
University of WI-Oshkosh Foundation  
University of Wisconsin Foundation Madison  
University of Wisconsin Milwaukee  
University School of Milwaukee  
UW Eau Claire Foundation  
UW Stevens Point  
UW Whitewater Foundation

## *2016 Contributions*

### *Civic and Cultural*

Betty Brinn Children's Museum  
Books for Birth  
Boy Scouts of America  
Bristol Speedway's Children's Charities  
Cumberland River Challenge  
Darlington County Sheriff's Office  
Discovery World  
Fellowship Open  
First Stage  
Girl Scouts of America  
Grand River Conservation Authority  
Hands on Regional Museum  
Johnson City Arts Council  
Lebanon/Wilson Chamber of Commerce  
Milwaukee Art Museum  
Milwaukee Public Library  
Milwaukee Public Museum  
Milwaukee Public Television  
Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra  
Mustard Seed Ranch  
Outdoors For All Foundation  
Pewaukee Lake Water Ski Club  
Radio Milwaukee  
Rotary Club of Milwaukee  
TEMPO  
The Water Council  
Town of McBee  
United Performing Arts Fund  
Whip Crackin Rodeo  
Wilson County Promotions  
Zoological Society

### *United Way*

United Way of Chesterfield County  
United Way of Fergus  
United Way of Greater Milwaukee and  
Waukesha County  
United Way of Hartsville  
United Way of Johnson City  
United Way of King County  
United Way of Northern Kentucky  
United Way of Perth County

## *Health & Hospitals*

American Cancer Society  
American Heart Association  
Aurora at Home  
Children's Hospital of Wisconsin  
Disalced Carmelitas  
Downs Syndrome Clarksville Association  
Groves Hospital Foundation  
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation  
Kids Battle Diabetes Golf Classic  
Lace Up For Pink, Inc.  
Medical College of Wisconsin  
Mercy Children's Hospital  
Mountain States Health Foundation  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
Saint Thomas Hospital  
Seattle Cancer Care Alliance  
Tennessee Breast Cancer Coalition

## *Human Services*

Abuse Alternatives  
Agape  
Al Menah Shriners  
Alliance for Strong Families  
ALS Association  
American Red Cross  
Army Emergency Relief Fund  
Ashland City Firefighters Fund  
Ashland City Police Department  
Audio & Braille Literacy Enhancement  
Bethesda Center  
Big Brothers Big Sisters  
Boy Scouts of America  
Boys & Girls Clubs  
Brightstone  
Bristol Rotary Club Children Charities of Tri-Cities  
Brooks House  
Cheatham County Battered Women's Shelter  
Cheatham County Sheriff's Department

## *Human Services (continued)*

Children's Miracle Network  
COA Youth & Family Centers  
Coalition For Kids  
Dawn of Hope Foundation  
Donald Driver Foundation  
Empower Me Day Camp  
Fisher House  
Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #81  
Goodwill Industries  
Greater Milwaukee Foundation  
Habitat for Humanity  
Hunger Task Force  
Jericho Shriner  
Johnson City Senior Citizen Center Fdn  
Joseph's Storehouse  
Journey House  
Lake Robinson Rescue Squad  
Leadership Middle Tennessee  
Leadership Wilson  
Life Point Solutions  
Literacy Council of Kingsport  
Loaves and Fishes  
Make A Wish Foundation  
McBee Rescue Squad  
Milwaukee Rescue Mission  
Milwaukee Women's Assn  
Neighborhood House of Milwaukee, Inc.  
New Leash on Life  
Next Door Foundation  
Pee Dee Coalition  
Pegram Volunteer Fire Department  
Penfield Children's Center  
Pleasant View Volunteer Fire Department  
Prospect Incorporated  
Ronald McDonald House  
Safe & Sound  
Salvation Army  
Second Harvest Food Bank  
Serenity Inns, Inc.  
Sherry's Run  
Sojourner Family Peace Center  
Southern Stars, Inc.  
Special Olympics of Washington  
St. Ann Intergenerational Center  
St. Francis Children's Center  
Teen Challenge  
Two Rivers Volunteer Fire Department  
Waves  
Wilson County Christmas for All  
Wilson County Community Help Center  
Wisconsin Equal Justice Fund  
Wisconsin Judicare