


400+
MEMBERS

344
INDIVIDUAL

25
CORPORATE

35
NONPROFIT



**Engaged 200
nonprofit organizations**
through site visits and training

214 Nonprofits
featured in the
NONPROFIT
DIRECTORY

Polled 500 Baton Rouge citizens for
CITYSTATS

VISIT BRCITYSTATS.ORG

Held **20+
events**
with over **>1000**
attendees

Opened the foundation's **first
competitive grants**
round in nearly a decade



Moved into newly renovated
17,000 SQFT OFFICE
at I Rivermark Centre

Served **48 PROFESSIONALS** through nonprofit leadership and development cohorts

888 CHARITABLE FUNDS

31 NEW CHARITABLE FUNDS

**\$10
MILLION** RAISED FOR
COMMUNITY
INVESTING



GATHERED FEEDBACK FROM
3000+
RESIDENTS
for Plan Baton
Rouge III

Released
2 Opportunity
Data Project
briefings

COLLABORATION CORNER

- Partnered with LSU, Visit Baton Rouge, and The Partnership to launch [Death Valley Live](#)
- Secured over **\$1 Million in funds for Early Childhood Education** in partnership with the Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation and Foundation for East Baton Rouge School System
- **Engaged 7 contractors** and subcontractors to develop Plan BR III with the support of 14 project sponsors
- Unlocked **\$18 Million of direct investment capital** from outside sources to enable redevelopment of the NewLab Louisiana site, which will create **500 new jobs within 10 years**
- Loaned affordable capital to develop the Inspiration Center, resulting in **\$2 Million in equity** being added to the project

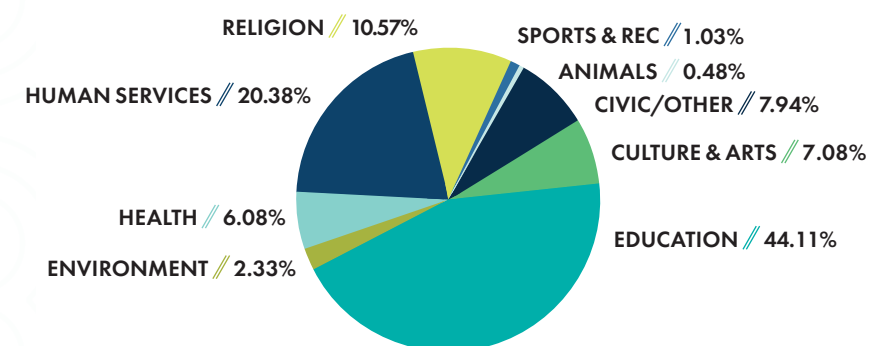
2025 TOTAL GIFTS

\$71.4 million (unaudited)

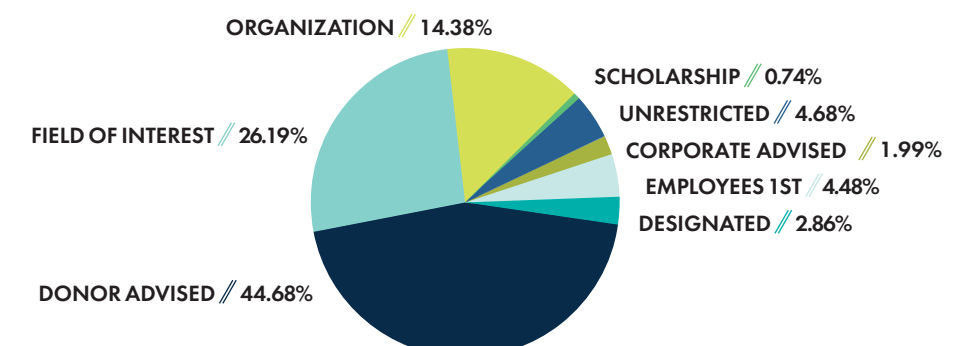
2025 TOTAL GRANTS

\$54.0 million (unaudited)

GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA (2025)



GRANTS BY TYPES OF FUNDS (2025)



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In 2025, the Baton Rouge Area Foundation continued to meet the changing needs of our community with focus, purpose, and partnership. Much of this work happens quietly through the steady strengthening of the systems, relationships, and people that help Baton Rouge move forward.

Together, these efforts helped shape one of the most impactful seasons in the Foundation's history. Donors at the Foundation issued \$54 million in grants to nonprofits moving the needle in Louisiana and across the world. Furthermore, over \$70 million was donated to the Foundation, surpassing the prior year by more than 30%.

Throughout the year, we invested in the people and ideas helping build what's next for our region. We supported nonprofit leaders, brought residents together around pivotal community conversations, and advanced efforts focused on opportunity, quality of life, and long-term progress. At the heart of it all is a simple question: Where can we do better?

That question continues to shape how we lead and how we serve. It also reflects the trust placed in us by our donors, members, and partners, whose generosity and belief in this community make this work possible. As you review the highlights in this report, I hope you see not only what was accomplished, but also the shared commitment behind it and the momentum we are building for the future.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership. As we look ahead, I am encouraged by all we can accomplish together and confident in the future we are helping build for our community.

With gratitude,



Chris Meyer
President and CEO
Baton Rouge Area Foundation

