GRANT PROSPECT: Middlesex Canal Association Building Project

**Richard K. & Nancy L. Donahue Charitable Foundation**

**Prospect: Good A**

Small amounts, but local Lowell emphasis.

Funding Range: $500 - $40,000

From Guidestar:

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**Type of Grantmaker**  
Independent foundation  
**IRS Exemption Status**: 501(c)(3)  
**Additional Descriptor**: Family foundation  
**Financial Data** (yr. ended 12/31/11): Assets: $4,318,172; Total giving: $1,096,600  
**EIN**: 043133049  
**990-PF**: [2011](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_201112_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2010](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_201012_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2009](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200912_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2008](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200812_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2007](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200712_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2006](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200612_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2005](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200512_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2004](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200412_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2003](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200312_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2002](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200212_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank) [2001](http://990s.foundationcenter.org//990pf_pdf_archive/043/043133049/043133049_200112_990PF.pdf" \t "_blank)

**Last Updated:** 8/5/2012

**Donor(s)**  
Richard K. Donahue  
Nancy L. Donahue

**Background**  
Established in 1991 in MA.

**Limitations**  
Giving primarily in the greater Lowell, MA, area.  
No support for political organizations or lobbying groups.  
No grants to individuals.

**Purpose and Activities**  
Giving for the arts, education, and human services.

**Fields of Interest**  
**Subjects**  
Arts  
Education  
Foundations (community)  
Higher education  
Museums  
Performing arts, theater

**Geographic Focus**  
Massachusetts

**Types of Support**  
Annual campaigns  
Capital campaigns  
Continuing support  
Curriculum development  
Debt reduction  
Endowments  
General/operating support  
Matching/challenge support  
Professorships  
Scholarship funds

**Application Information**  
Application form not required. Initial approach: Letter  
Copies of proposal: 3  
Board meeting date(s): Varies  
Deadline(s): None  
Final notification: 2 weeks

**Trustees**  
**David W. Donahue**  
**Nancy L. Donahue**  
**Richard K. Donahue, Jr.**

**Staff**  
**Number of Staff**  
None

**Financial Data**  
**Year ended 12/31/11:**  
Assets: $4,318,172 (market value)  
Expenditures: $1,108,962  
Total giving: $1,096,600  
Qualifying distributions: $1,096,600  
Giving activities include:   
$1,096,600 for grants

**Additional Location Information**  
County: Middlesex  
Metropolitan area: Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH  
Congressional district: Massachusetts District 3

**Selected Grants**  
The following grants are a representative sample of this grantmaker's funding activity:  
$40,000 to Merrimack Repertory Theater, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For special campaign, payable over 1 year.  
$15,000 to Challenge Unlimited, Andover, MA, in 2006. For matching challenge grant, payable over 1 year.  
$10,000 to Lawrence Academy, Groton, MA, in 2006. For unrestricted support, payable over 1 year.  
$5,000 to Lowell Festival Foundation, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For Annual Folk Festival, payable over 1 year.  
$5,000 to Middlesex Community College Foundation, Bedford, MA, in 2006. For unrestricted support, payable over 1 year.  
$2,500 to Cultural Organization of Lowell, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For Special Program, payable over 1 year.  
$1,000 to Community Teamwork, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For unrestricted support, payable over 1 year.  
$1,000 to Girls Inc. of Greater Lowell, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For unrestricted support, payable over 1 year.  
$1,000 to Revolving Museum, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For new space, payable over 1 year.  
$500 to Lowell Transitional Living Center, Lowell, MA, in 2006. For operating support, payable over 1 year.

Grantmakers  
**Affinity Groups**  
Association of Small Foundations

**Financial Data**  
**Year ended 12/31/11:**  
Assets: $30,256,638 (market value)  
Expenditures: $1,812,946  
Total giving: $1,011,433  
Qualifying distributions: $1,011,433  
Giving activities include:   
$1,011,433 for grants

**Selected Grants**  
The following grants are a repre-sentative sample of this grantmaker's funding activity:  
$150,000 to Island Institute, Rockland, ME, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$110,000 to Penobscot East Resource Center, Stonington, ME, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$53,333 to University of Maryland Foundation, Adelphi, MD, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$50,500 to Chesapeake College Foundation, Wye Mills, MD, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$28,382 to Talbot Hospice Foundation, Easton, MD, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$25,000 to Herreshoff Marine Museum, Bristol, RI, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$10,000 to Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, in 2010, pay over 1 year.  
$5,500 to Academy Art Museum, Easton, MD, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$5,000 to Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels, MD, in 2010, payable over 1 year.  
$5,000 to Phillips Academy, Andover, MA, in 2010, payable over 1 year.