



FACT SHEET

Post-Katrina Philanthropic Support in New Orleans

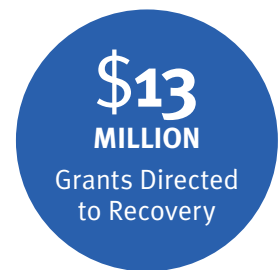
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Overview

Hurricane Katrina landed in New Orleans in late August 2005, devastating one of America’s most treasured cities. Soon after, Kresge pivoted its work to be a strategic philanthropy, and by default, recovering New Orleans became one of the primary places for it to build its new muscle. We invested in the city’s recovery through local and national nonprofits focusing on arts & culture, community development, education, environment, health and human services. During the past decade, we have learned much from the city’s people, our peers and our partners on the ground. And we have exported that knowledge to our work across the country and our hometown of Detroit. This is a summary of Kresge’s support, which will inform our future investments as the city continues its recovery.

By the numbers

Kresge’s post-Katrina investment in New Orleans | September 2005 – present



Examples of Kresge support by program area

ARTS & CULTURE \$2 million to restore a school and transform it into affordable housing for artists	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT \$450,000 to improve housing in the Lower 9th Ward	EDUCATION \$4 million to rebuild Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)	ENVIRONMENT \$3.3 million to strengthen climate resiliency in coastal communities	HEALTH \$550,000 to establish a public farmers market \$1.8 million to support community health initiatives	HUMAN SERVICES \$900,000 to strengthen the region’s human services sector
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New Orleans projects that have translated to Detroit efforts

	New Orleans Fight the Blight	Detroit Blight Removal Task Force	
	Plan for the 21st Century Master Plan	Detroit Future City/Detroit Works	
	Rockefeller Foundation Redevelopment Fellowships	Detroit Revitalization Fellows & Kresge Mayor’s Fellows	