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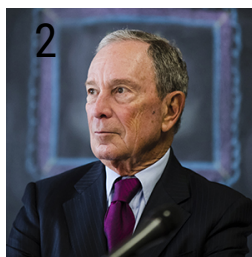
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**Jeff and MacKenzie Bezos**  
**\$2,000,000,000**

LOCATION: Seattle, Wash.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology



**Michael Bloomberg**  
**\$767,000,000**

LOCATION: New York, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Media and Entertainment

TOP CAUSE: Various

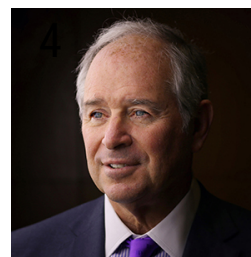


**Pierre and Pam Omidyar**  
**\$392,000,000**

LOCATION: Honolulu, Hawaii

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

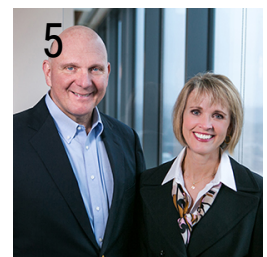
TOP CAUSE: Various



**Stephen Schwarzman**  
**\$390,000,000**

LOCATION: New York, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance



**Steve and Connie Ballmer**  
**\$295,000,000**

LOCATION: Hunts Point, Wash.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various

TOP CAUSE: Human Services

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



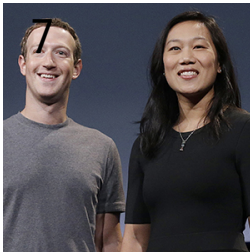
Paul Allen

**\$261,432,500**

LOCATION: Seattle, Wash.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Artificial Intelligence; Medical Research



Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan

**\$213,598,215**

LOCATION: Palo Alto, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various



John and Laura Arnold

**\$204,300,000**

LOCATION: Houston, Tex.

WEALTH SOURCE: Energy; Finance

TOP CAUSE: Various



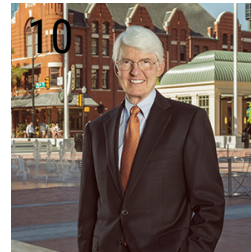
Jay Alix

**\$200,000,000**

LOCATION: New York, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Consulting

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



Edward Bass

**\$160,000,000**

LOCATION: Fort Worth, Tex.

WEALTH SOURCE: Family Wealth; Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



Craig Newmark

**\$143,800,000**

LOCATION: San Francisco, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Advertising

TOP CAUSE: Various



Bill and Melinda Gates

**\$138,000,000<sup>1</sup>**

LOCATION: Medina, Wash.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various



Richard and Susan Rogel

**\$110,050,000**

LOCATION: Avon, Colo.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance; Insurance

TOP CAUSE: Cancer Research



Irwin and Joan Jacobs

**\$108,841,000**

LOCATION: La Jolla, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Telecommunications

TOP CAUSE: Various



Robert and Karen Hale

**\$105,076,000**

LOCATION: Quincy, Mass.

WEALTH SOURCE: Telecommunications

TOP CAUSE: Health Care



David and Rita Nelson

**\$103,000,000\*1**

LOCATION: De Pere, Wis.

WEALTH SOURCE: Media and Entertainment

TOP CAUSE: Various



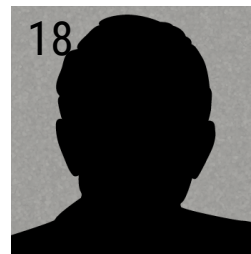
Raymond and Barbara Dalio

**\$102,800,000**

LOCATION: Greenwich, Conn.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Various



Shelby Davis

**\$101,000,000**

LOCATION: Jackson Hole, Wyo.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



Sheryl Sandberg

**\$100,730,025**

LOCATION: Menlo Park, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various

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**Evan and Sara Williams**

**\$100,338,459**

LOCATION: San Francisco, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various



**Marc and Lynne Benioff**

**\$100,300,000**

LOCATION: San Francisco, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various



**Robert and Nancy Carney**

**\$100,000,000**

LOCATION: Houston, Tex.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance; Media and Entertainment

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



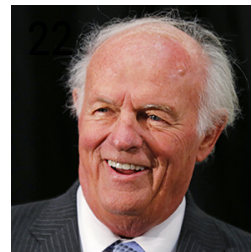
**Harry and Linda Fath**

**\$100,000,000**

LOCATION: Cincinnati, Ohio

WEALTH SOURCE: Real Estate

TOP CAUSE: Wildlife Conservation; Human Services



**Denny Sanford**  
**\$100,000,000**

LOCATION: Sioux Falls, S.D.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Education

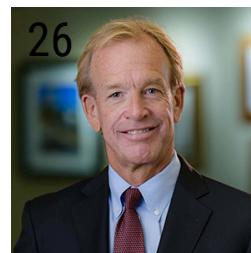


**Charles Munger**  
**\$90,397,204**

LOCATION: Santa Barbara, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Investments

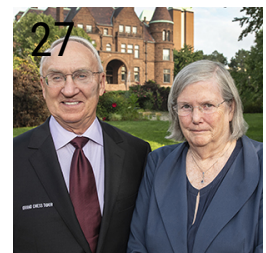
TOP CAUSE: Conservation



**Paul Rady**  
**\$80,000,000**

LOCATION: Denver, Colo.

WEALTH SOURCE: Oil



**Jeanne and Rex Sinquefeld**  
**\$79,900,000**

LOCATION: Westphalia, Mo.

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**William Miller III**  
**\$75,000,000**

LOCATION: Baltimore, Md.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**Sheldon and Miriam Adelson**  
**\$70,000,000**

LOCATION: Las Vegas, Nev.

WEALTH SOURCE: Hotels

TOP CAUSE: Religion



**Ernest and Evelyn Rady**  
**\$67,980,000**

LOCATION: La Jolla, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Real estate

TOP CAUSE: Human Services



**Lester and Sue Smith**  
**\$61,000,000**

LOCATION: Dallas, Tex.

WEALTH SOURCE: Energy

TOP CAUSE: Health Care



**Bruce Leven**  
**\$60,000,000\***

LOCATION: Mercer Island, Wash.

WEALTH SOURCE: Retail

TOP CAUSE: Health Care



**Julian Robertson Jr.**  
**\$60,000,000**

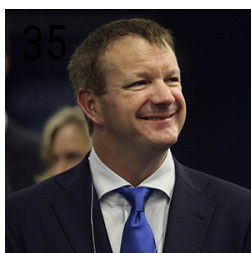
LOCATION: New York, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Various



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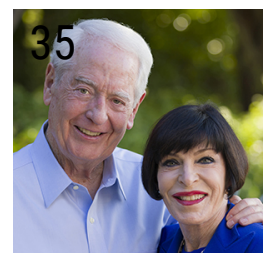
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**Andrew Viterbi**  
**\$55,000,000**

LOCATION: Los Angeles, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education

**Brian Acton**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: San Francisco, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: New Technologies

**Gary Carlson**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Westlake Village, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Health Care

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education

**Craig and Janet Duchossois**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Chicago, Ill.

WEALTH SOURCE: Investments

TOP CAUSE: Arts and Culture

**William and Carolyn Franke**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Paradise Valley, Ariz.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**Tod and Cindy Johnson**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Port Washington, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Financial Aid



**Amin and Julie Khoury**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Wellington, Fla.

WEALTH SOURCE: Engineering

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**Samuel and Ann Mencoff**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Chicago, Ill.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**Marc and Carolyn Rowan**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: New York, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education

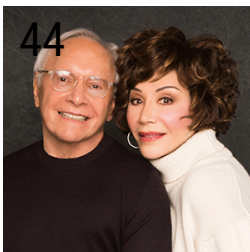


**Wallace and Barbara Weitz**  
**\$50,000,000**

LOCATION: Omaha, Nebr.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

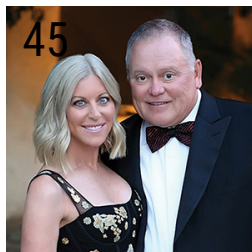
TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**Stewart and Lynda Resnick**  
**\$49,092,584**

LOCATION: Beverly Hills, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Agriculture; Food and Beverage



**Bob and Renee Parsons**  
**\$48,195,560**

LOCATION: Scottsdale, Ariz.

WEALTH SOURCE: Technology

TOP CAUSE: Various



**Paul and Betty Woolls**  
**\$40,140,000**

LOCATION: Napa, Calif.

WEALTH SOURCE: Food and Beverage

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education



**Leon and Debra Black**  
**\$40,000,000**

LOCATION: New York, N.Y.

WEALTH SOURCE: Finance

TOP CAUSE: Arts and Culture



**Gary and Kathleen Rollins**  
**\$40,000,000**

LOCATION: Atlanta, Ga.

WEALTH SOURCE: Chemicals

TOP CAUSE: Higher Education

TOP CAUSE: Arts and  
Culture



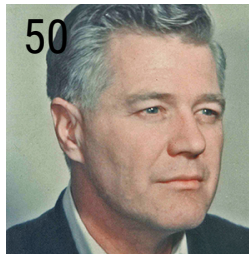
Mike Walker

**\$40,000,000**

LOCATION: Houston,  
Tex.

WEALTH SOURCE:  
Manufacturing

TOP CAUSE: Higher  
Education



Raymond  
Suckling

**\$37,100,000\***

LOCATION: Sewickley,  
Pa.

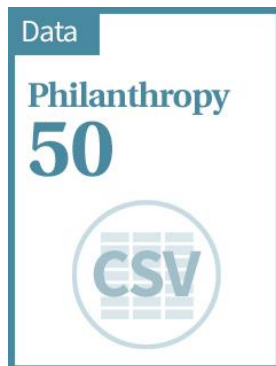
WEALTH SOURCE:  
Family Wealth;  
Investments

TOP CAUSE: Various

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