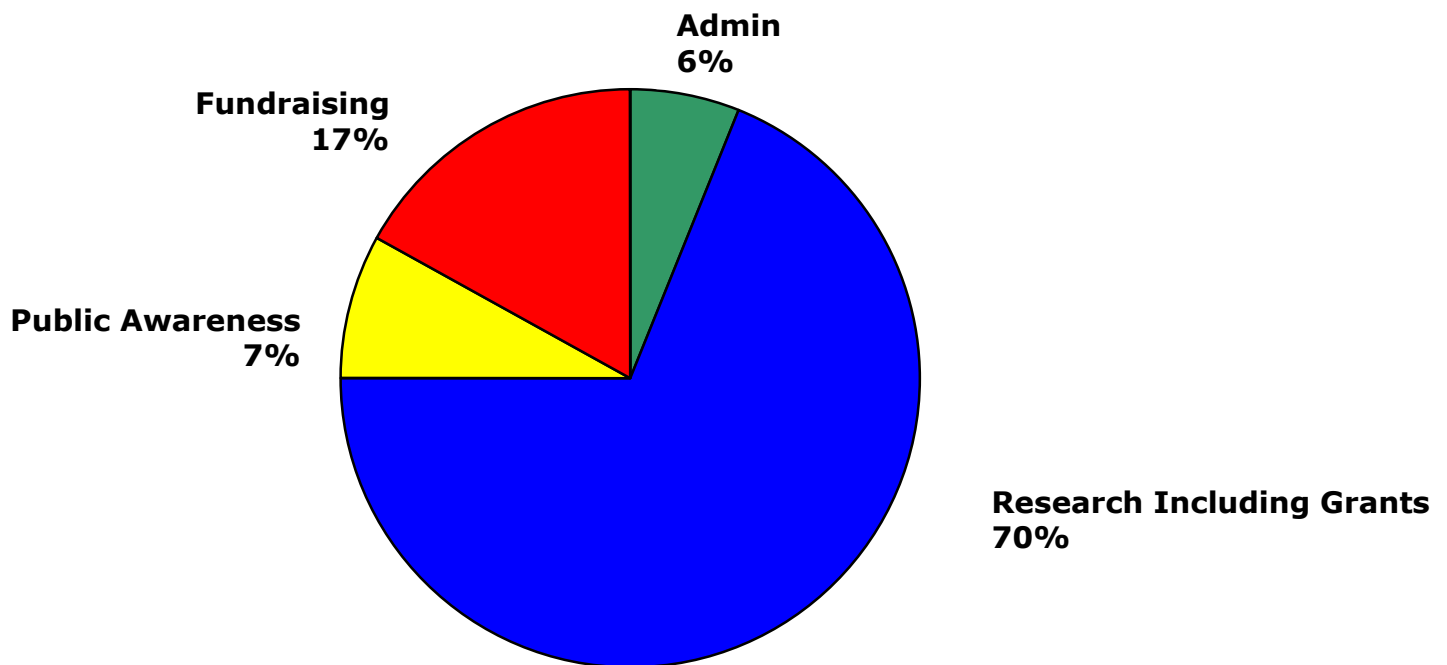


The Foundation Fighting Blindness: What Do Your Donations Fund?

Since 1971, the Foundation has raised over \$700 million. Throughout our history, we have maintained an extraordinary commitment to directing the highest possible proportion of revenue to research to find treatments to treat and cure the entire spectrum of retinal degenerative diseases, including retinitis pigmentosa, age-related macular degeneration, Stargardt disease and Usher syndrome. During the Foundation's 46-year tenure, \$700 million in revenue has supported the FFB mission to fund research and public health education programs, with nearly \$500 million supporting retinal research and over \$50 million going toward public health education.

Fiscal Year 2017

In fiscal year 2017, thanks to accelerated progress in clinical and translational research, more funds are being invested in the latter end of the research continuum; that is, in the testing of specific treatments and cures. Over our history FFB has, on average, invested over 70 percent of our annual revenue budgets in research and public awareness programs, maintaining our high average investment in these key program areas.



At the Foundation, we are extremely proud of how far our work has moved the field of retinal degenerative diseases research. When we began there was virtually no research, and no treatment options for people who were losing or had lost their sight to retinal diseases. Now, as we enter Phase I and Phase II clinical trials for many new treatments, we can look back on our strategy of immediate and sustained investment in promising or emerging research as a very sound one. One that has moved the science closer to restored vision for those affected by retinal diseases.

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