

# The Nonprofit Sector in Georgia



## NUMBER OF GEORGIA NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	37,384
501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)	28,334
501(c)(3) PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS	1,910
OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *	7,140

\* CIVIC LEAGUES, CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS, ETC.

## Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Georgia Communities

### Deliver vital community services

- The Georgia Food Bank Association represents seven anti-hunger nonprofits in the Feeding America network, which together distribute over 100 million pounds of food each year to residents in 159 counties.

### Give voice to the people they serve

- The largest health nonprofit in the country, the American Cancer Society is based in Atlanta and serves millions of Americans each year through outreach and clinical programs, patient care, and advocacy. In 2014 alone, they facilitated free lodging for nearly 44,000 patients needing treatment, generating \$36 million in savings.

### Contribute to vibrant communities

- Through funding made possible by the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, the Georgia Council on Economic Education hosts workshops for over 3,000 educators each year, helping more than 70 percent of the state's students in public and independent schools learn economic concepts and financial literacy.

### Advance solutions for challenges facing society

- The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, a member of the League of American Orchestras, brings the power of live instrumental music to half a million audience members each year through more than 200 performances. In 2015-2016, it has scheduled approximately 60 free community performances of both full orchestral and chamber groups throughout metro Atlanta at locations that include libraries, churches, senior centers, bookstores and parks.

## Economic Impact of Georgia's Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **216,100** - almost 10% of the state's workforce
- Generates more than **\$57.5 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of **\$132.8 billion**
- Georgia foundations annually give over **\$1 billion**
- Georgians give **\$7.2 billion** to charity each year, representing **4.31 percent** of household income

## Employment by Nonprofit Service Area

Nonprofit Service Area	% of GA Nonprofits
Community Improvement, Public/Societal Benefit	30.4%
Human Services	27.6%
Education	15.1%
Health Care and Mental Health	8.8%
Religion and Spiritual Development	6.9%
Arts, Culture and Humanities	6.2%
Environment and Animal Related	3.1%
Other	1.8%

Sources on reverse side



*Note: The “nonprofit sector” encompasses organizations that are defined as tax-exempt under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code. This includes both public charities and private foundations [501(c)(3)] and other nonprofits such as civic league organizations [501(c)(4)]. Exceptions are noted when relevant.*

## Sources:

### Employment Information

Best estimate based on available data from the following sources:

*Number of nonprofit employees:* Holding the Fort: Nonprofit Employment During a Decade of Turmoil, Lester Salamon and S.Wojciech Sokolowski, Stephanie L. Geller, Nonprofit Employment Bulletin #39, Johns Hopkins Center for Civil Society Studies, 2012 {Data is 2010, page 3}

<http://ccss.jhu.edu/publications-findings?did=369>

*State employment:* Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages, 2010 total employment by state <http://www.bls.gov/data/>

### Breakdown by Nonprofit Service Area

*The Economic Impact of Georgia’s Nonprofit Sector*, Georgia Center for Nonprofits, 2012. {Data are 2009}

<http://www.gcn.org/sites/default/files/ctools/Economic%20Impact%20%282012%29.pdf>

### Number of Nonprofits

Urban Institute, National Center for Charitable Statistics, State Summary reports

<http://www.nccs.urban.org/statistics/profiles.cfm> {Data are 2013}

### Asset and Revenues

Urban Institute, National Center for Charitable Statistics, "Registered Nonprofit Organizations by State (BMF 12/2015)" <http://nccsweb.urban.org/tablewiz/bmf.php> {Data are 2015}

### Foundation Giving

The Foundation Center, FC Stats: "Foundation Stats: Total Grantmaking Foundations" {Data are 2013}

<http://data.foundationcenter.org/#/foundations/all/state:GA/total/list/2013>

### Individual Giving

How America Gives, 2014. The Chronicle of Philanthropy. {Data are 2012}.

<https://philanthropy.com/interactives/how-america-gives#search>

### Nonprofit Examples:

Georgia Food Bank Association: <http://georgiafoodbankassociation.org/make-a-difference/surprising-facts-about-hunger-in-georgia/>

American Cancer Society: <http://www.cancer.org/aboutus/howweare/acs-fact-sheet>

Georgia Council of Economic Education: <http://www.gcee.org/about/>

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra: <http://www.atlantasympphony.org/EducationAndCommunity/Community.aspx>

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