The Nonprofit Sector in New York

Economic Impact of New York’s Nonprofit Sector

- Employs 1.38 million people - 17.7% of the state’s workforce
- In New York City alone, over 35,000 nonprofits pay $33.6 billion in payroll and employ more than 600,000 workers
- Generates more than $260.26 billion in annual revenues
- Holds assets of nearly $510.81 billion
- New York foundations annually give $10 billion
- New Yorkers give $16.4 billion to charity each year, representing almost 3 percent of household income

Public Charities and Foundations Benefit New York Communities

Deliver vital community services
In 2018, The YMCA of Greater New York lead programs affecting 64,000 children. While their health programs improved the lives of 300,000 New Yorkers. These programs included swim and water safety skills, healthy habits classes and programs to prevent and manage chronic diseases.

Advance solutions for challenges facing society
In 2018, The Ford Foundation opened The Ford Foundation Center for Social Justice. A hub for social good and the courageous people who devote their lives to achieving it, the landmark building in New York City features 81,000 square feet of convening space for the social sector, and an atrium garden and social justice art gallery open to the public.

Contribute to youth development
Based in New York City, Say Yes to Education is a nonprofit that revitalizes communities by helping them give every public high school graduate access to college or other postsecondary scholarships. Nationally, over 13,000 Say Yes Scholars have gone off to college, with $269 million scholarships and grants awarded.

Give voice to the people they serve
Carnegie Hall’s Weill Music Institute (WMI) invites everyone to harness the power of music to make meaningful differences in their lives, celebrate artistry in all its forms, and make connections with others. 91,000 people are served by WMI in the New York City area, including 56,000 students and 400 teachers. 450 schools, venues, arts organizations, and other sites host WMI programming. 7 city and state agencies partner with Carnegie Hall. 24 rooms in Carnegie Hall’s Resnick Education Wing are dedicated to music education.

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:* The 2019 nonprofit employment report, Lester M. Salamon and Chelsea L. Newhouse, S. Wojciech Sokolowski, Nonprofit Employment Bulletin #47, Johns Hopkins Center for Civil Society Studies, 2019 (Data is 2016, page 3)

*State employment:* Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages, 2010 total employment by state
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*New York City nonprofit information:* Strengthening the Nonprofit Ecosystem in New York City: Report on Stakeholder Roundtable, New York City Economic Development Corporation

**Number of Nonprofits**
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**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
http://datafoundationcenter.org/#/foundations/all/state:NY/total/list/2015 (Data are 2015)

**Individual Giving**
https://philanthropy.com/interactives/how-america-gives#search (Data are 2012).

**Nonprofit examples:**

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Say Yes to Education: https://sayyestoeducation.org/impact/

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