

# The Nonprofit Sector in Maine



## NUMBER OF MAINE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

<b>ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS</b>	<b>8,508</b>
<b>501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)</b>	<b>5,467</b>
<b>501(c)(3) PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS</b>	<b>449</b>
<b>OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *</b>	<b>2,592</b>

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

## Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Maine Communities

### Deliver vital community services

The United Way of Eastern Maine supports 42 agencies and 69 programs that deliver quality health and human services. For example, the Bangor Area Homeless Shelter provides emergency shelter and supportive services to homeless and economically disadvantaged people of the Greater Bangor area.

### Give voice to the people they serve

Catholic Charities Maine serves over 49,000 individuals each year through its many programs and services, such as mental health counseling and services for the elderly and disabled. Catholic Charities and its network of volunteers also advocate on issues affecting those they serve, such as treatment programs for substance abuse.

### Contribute to vibrant communities

The Ogunquit Museum of American Art in Ogunquit welcomes thousands of visitors each year. The museum collects, preserves, exhibits, and interprets American art from the 19th century to the present and hosts various lectures, films, and discussions on American art, regional artists, and the history of the Ogunquit art colony.

### Advance economic solutions for remote communities

The Island Institute aims to strengthen the economies on Maine's island and remote coastal communities. Through its Innovation Fund, over 20 community-driven businesses received investments and loans and over 100 entrepreneurs received individualized technical assistance and mentoring support.

## Economic Impact of Maine's Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **84,156** people, or 14.4% of the state's workforce
- Generates more than **\$12.4 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of over **\$22 billion**
- Maine foundations annually give almost **\$138 million**
- Mainers give over **\$424 million** to charity each year, representing **2.13 percent** of household income

## Employment by Nonprofit Service Area

Nonprofit Service Area	% of ME Nonprofits
<b>Health</b>	<b>61.2%</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
<b>Social Services</b>	<b>13.1%</b>
<b>Arts, Culture and Humanities</b>	<b>1.4%</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>12.5%</b>

*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, Breakdown by Nonprofit Service Area**

Best estimate based on available data.

Maine Association of Nonprofits, “Nonprofit Impact Report: Maine Nonprofits at Work,” January 2015

<http://www.nonprofitmaine.org/learn/resources/our-publications/nonprofit-impact-report/>

### **Number of Nonprofits**

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

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

### **Assets and Revenues**

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

### **Foundation Giving**

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

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

### **Individual Giving**

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

<http://philanthropy.com/article/Interactive-How-America-Gives/133709>

### **Nonprofit Examples:**

United Way of Eastern Maine: [http://www.unitedwayem.org/content/4098/76\\_Funded\\_Programs/](http://www.unitedwayem.org/content/4098/76_Funded_Programs/)

Catholic Charities Maine: [http://www.ccmaine.org/info.php?info\\_id=1](http://www.ccmaine.org/info.php?info_id=1)

Ogunquit Museum of American Art: <http://www.ogunquitmuseum.org/>

Island Institute: [http://www.islandinstitute.org/sites/default/files/resources/II\\_AnnualReport\\_2015.pdf](http://www.islandinstitute.org/sites/default/files/resources/II_AnnualReport_2015.pdf)

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