

The Nonprofit Sector in Maryland



NUMBER OF MARYLAND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	
ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	31,251
501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)	24,810
501(C)4 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	1,534
OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	4,907

Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Maryland Communities

Deliver vital community services

Goodwill Industries International provides network services to more than 37 million people from its headquarters in Rockville. With its mission to enhance the quality of life for disadvantaged individuals, Goodwill served more than 22 million people worldwide and placed more than 126,000 people into employment in 2020.

Give voice to the people they serve

As a national, private philanthropy based in Baltimore, The Annie E. Casey Foundation makes grants that aim to help improve child well-being and communities. In 2017, the Foundation awarded 1,345 grants to 739 organizations.

Contribute to vibrant communities

In 2017, Disaster Accountability Project, headquartered in Rockville, launched SmartResponse.org, a new platform that improves the effectiveness of global disaster relief and humanitarian aid by helping donors make more informed decisions about how and where to donate after disasters.

Advance solutions for challenges facing society

Based in Bethesda, The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is the world's leader in the search for a cure for cystic fibrosis, a progressive, genetic disease. The Foundation has made major advancements in patient research and treatments, such as the recent FDA approval of medical modulator Orkambi.

Economic Impact of Maryland Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **273,355** - almost 13% of the state's workforce
- Generates more than **\$54.6 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of **\$126.6 billion**
- Maryland foundations annually give over **\$887 million**
- Maryland residents give **\$5.3 billion** to charity each year, representing **3.2 percent** of household income

Nonprofits by Service Area

Nonprofit Service Area	% of Maryland Nonprofits
Human Services	14.7%
Public, and Societal Benefit	4.3%
Education	12.3%
Health	6.5%
Arts, Culture and Humanities	7.2%
Environment and Animal Related	3.6%
Unknown / Unclassified	51.3%

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:

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}
http://ccss.jhu.edu/wp-content/uploads/downloads/2019/01/2019-NP-Employment-Report_FINAL_1.8.2019.pdf

Breakdown by Nonprofit Service Area

Maryland Nonprofits, Nonprofits by the Numbers, Services Delivered by Nonprofit Organizations 501(c)3's,
<http://mdnonprofits.simplicitymetrics.com/> {Data are 2014}

Number of Nonprofits

Maryland Nonprofits, Nonprofits by the Numbers, Nonprofits by Type, <http://mdnonprofits.simplicitymetrics.com/>
{Data are 2014}

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 2015}
<http://data.foundationcenter.org/#/foundations/all/state:MD/total/list/2015>

Individual Giving

How America Gives, 2014. The Chronicle of Philanthropy. {Data are 2012}.
<https://philanthropy.com/interactives/how-america-gives#search>

Nonprofit Examples:

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation: <https://www.cff.org/Life-With-CF/Treatments-and-Therapies/Medications/CFTR-Modulator-Therapies/>

Goodwill Industries International: <https://www.goodwill.org/annual-report/>

Disaster Accountability Project: <http://disasteraccountability.org/about-us/our-history/>

The Annie E. Casey Foundation: <https://www.aecf.org/about/grant-making/>

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