

The Nonprofit Sector in MISSISSIPPI



NUMBER OF MISSISSIPPI NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	12,080
501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)	8,043
501(c)(3) PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS	357
OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *	3,680

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

Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Mississippi Communities

Deliver vital community services

- The American Red Cross has served Mississippi since 1917. Volunteers and staff assist communities daily with disaster response, assistance for military families, international aid, lifesaving training programs and blood services. As part of its Home Fire Campaign, it has installed more than 12,000 smoke alarms in Mississippi.

Advance solutions for challenges facing society

- The Foundation for the Mid South is in the business of improving lives in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi. It is a daunting task because the Mid South is home to 30% of the nation's poverty. The Foundation for the Mid South was established to bring together the public and private sectors and focus their resources on increasing social and economic opportunity. Their approach is straightforward and long term: enable communities to develop solutions to better conditions and improve lives.

Economic Impact of Mississippi's Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **56,883 people**, 6.4% of the state's workforce
- Generates more than **\$9.8 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of nearly **\$21 billion**
- Mississippi foundations annually give over **\$96 million**
- Mississippians give over **\$1.5 billion** to charity each year, representing **over 5 percent** of household income

Contribute to vibrant communities

- The Mississippi Museum of Art has been a community-supported institution for more than 100 years and offers family, school and community educational programs to extend learning opportunities and access to the Museum's collection. Since 2009, the Museum has partnered with Operation Shoestring to provide art instruction as part of Shoestring's larger effort to enhance Jackson public school students' academic performance and quality of life.

Give voice to the people they serve

- The Mississippi Food Network distributes food across the state through a network of 430 member agencies. They feed more than 1.8 million people per year in the state. In addition to distributing donated and purchased food, they provide nutrition education to clients in need.

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.

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}

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

Number of Nonprofits

Urban Institute, National Center for Charitable Statistics, State Summary reports <http://www.nccs.urban.org/statistics/profiles.cfm> {Data is 2013}

Asset and Revenues

Urban Institute, National Center for Charitable Statistics, "Registered Nonprofit Organizations by State (BMF 10/2013)" <http://nccsweb.urban.org/tablewiz/bmf.php> {Data is 2013}

Foundation Giving

The Foundation Center, FC Stats: "Foundation Stats: Total Grantmaking Foundations" <http://data.foundationcenter.org/#/foundations/all/state:MS/total/list/2015> {Data are 2015}

Individual Giving

How America Gives, 2014. The Chronicle of Philanthropy. <http://philanthropy.com/article/Interactive-How-America-Gives/133709> {Data is 2012}.

Nonprofit examples:

American Red Cross of Mississippi: <https://www.redcross.org/local/mississippi.html>

Foundation for the Mid South: <https://www.fndmidsouth.org/about/>

Mississippi Museum of Art: <http://www.msmuseumart.org/index.php/education/page/community-partnerships> and <https://www.msmuseumart.org/index.php/education/page/partnerships-in-learning>

Mississippi Food Network: <http://www.msfoodnet.org/about/>

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