

# The Nonprofit Sector in Oregon



## NUMBER OF OREGON NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

<b>ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS</b>	<b>21,050</b>
<b>501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)</b>	<b>14,773</b>
<b>501(c)(3) PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS</b>	<b>1,016</b>
<b>OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *</b>	<b>5,261</b>

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

## Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Oregon Communities

### Deliver vital community services

Recent conservation efforts by The Nature Conservancy and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have led to the protection of another 192 acres at the Nestucca Bay Wildlife Refuge. This is part of their broader work to ensure commerce and conservation are achieved in harmony on Oregon's coast.

### Give voice to the people they serve

The Oregon Food Bank runs the Fresh Alliance program to divert to food banks safe, edible grocery items that might otherwise be discarded. Since 2001, Fresh Alliance has diverted more than 80 million pounds of food from waste and compost and been replicated by food banks across the country. In the past year, Safeway joined the program and integrated it into 100 of their stores, and overall, partners donated enough food to equate to 15 million meals.

### Contribute to vibrant communities

Accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, the Portland Art Museum is the oldest art museum on the West coast and has over 350,000 visitors each year, including 50,000 schoolchildren. Among outreach to area educators, the Museum partnered with the Oregon Ballet Theatre to provide arts programming to low-income Latina girls through the organization, Adelante Mujeres.

### Advance solutions for challenges facing society

The National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA), based in Portland, is a national organization focused on preventing child abuse and neglect. Through training, policy, and development services, NICWA is helping American Indian children to grow up safe, healthy, and spiritually strong.

## Economic Impact of Oregon Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **129,000** - almost 10% of the state's workforce
- Generates more than **\$100.2 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of **\$114.8 billion**
- Oregon foundations annually give over **\$1 billion**
- Oregonians give **\$2.04 billion** to charity each year, representing **2.88 percent** of household income

## Organizations by Nonprofit Service Area

Nonprofit Service Area	% of Oregon Nonprofits
<b>Public/Societal Benefit</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Human Services</b>	<b>29%</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>Health Care</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Religion and Spiritual Development</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Arts, Culture and Humanities</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Environment</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Mutual/Membership</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>22%</b>

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>

### **Breakdown by Nonprofit Service Area**

*Oregon’s Nonprofit Sector in Brief*, Nonprofit Association of Oregon, 2014. {Data are 2014}

<https://www.nonprofitoregon.org/sites/default/files/uploads/file/2014%20Oregon%20Nonprofit%20Sector%20in%20Brief.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:NC/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:**

Nature Conservancy Oregon: <http://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/oregon/our-priorities/oregon-marine-feature-collection.xml>

Oregon Foodbank: <https://www.oregonfoodbank.org/about-us/financials-and-reports/annual-report-2/>

Portland Art Museum: <http://portlandartmuseum.org/adelante-mujeres/>

National Indian Child Welfare Association: [http://www.nicwa.org/what\\_we\\_do/](http://www.nicwa.org/what_we_do/)

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