The Nonprofit Sector in **Rhode Island**

INDEPENDENT SECTOR

NUMBER OF RHODE ISLAND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	
ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	6,617
501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)	3.434
501(c)(3) PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS	998
OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *	2,185

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

Economic Impact of Rhode Island's Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **70,300** - over 18% of the state's workforce
- Generates over **$13 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of **$31.7 billion**
- Rhode Island foundations annually give over **$361 million**
- Rhode Island residents give over **$469.2 billion** to charity each year, representing **2.2 percent** of household income

Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Rhode Island Communities

Provide direct services to youth

The local Girl Scouts council provides girls in K-12 with a wide variety of leadership opportunities. In addition to leadership, other areas of focus include financial literacy, STEM skills, health and wellness, and environmental awareness. The Girl Scouts of Southeastern New England serve 8,700 girls each year.

Deliver vital community services

The Rhode Island Community Foodbank, a member of Feeding America, serves 60,000 Rhode Islanders each month. One in three served is a child under 18 and one in five served is over the age of 60. In 2015, 9.7 million pounds of food was distributed, including more than 2 million pounds of fresh produce.

Contribute to the health of our communities

The Rhode Island chapter of the March of Dimes works to help the 1 in 9 babies born prematurely in the state through education and intervention with moms-to-be and their families. March of Dimes also provides grants to researchers working to understand birth defects and premature birth to find treatments.

Advance solutions for challenges facing society

Celebrating 100 years of responding to the needs of the state, the Rhode Island Foundation distributed a record $41.5 million in grants to more than 1,600 organizations in 2015. One focus is improving the economy. The grantee, Center for Women & Enterprise, provides women and minority entrepreneurs with business training, resources, and microloans.

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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.

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Nonprofit Examples:
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