Individual Connecticut residents donated almost $2.7 billion to charities in 2011 either through bequests after death ($38 million) or while alive. These Connecticut contributions are about 1.5% of the $182.5 billion Americans gave to their charitable causes.

More than one-third of Connecticut residents – at every income level – reported making contributions on their federal tax returns, using the itemizer schedule to report and claim their deductions.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Income Level</th>
<th>Contributions</th>
<th>Percentage of Total Dollars</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Less than $50K</td>
<td>$168 million</td>
<td>6%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$50K – $200K</td>
<td>$927 million</td>
<td>34%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>More than $200K</td>
<td>$1.58 billion</td>
<td>60%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

60% of the total dollars were given by Connecticut residents with incomes over $200,000.

- **$15.2 billion** donated to charity by Connecticut individuals in past 5 years
- **$4,261** average gift
- **1.83%** percent of income donated
- **17** average bequest
- **627,000** number of itemizers
- **$4,596** average bequest
- **$2.7 billion** individual giving
- **$182.5 billion** total giving
- **38.1 million** number of itemizers
- **2.09%** percent of income donated
- **$7.2 million** average bequest
- **1,039** number of bequests