Key Findings

Total Charitable Giving
- Individuals and foundations in Connecticut gave $4.66 billion in charitable contributions during 2013. This is up 0.7% from $4.62 billion in 2012.
- Individuals in Connecticut accounted for 71% of the state’s 2013 charitable giving, with foundations comprising 21.5%, and charitable bequests representing 7.6%.

Giving by Individuals
- Individuals (including bequests) in Connecticut gave $3.66 billion to charity in 2012, up 1.1% from 2012.
- 34.9% of Connecticut returns reported a contribution compared to 25% nationally. 41.8% of Connecticut returns reported itemized deductions. The number of Connecticut residents who reported a contribution is down 2.2% from 2012.

Giving by Foundations
- Connecticut foundation assets totaled $10.9 billion in 2013, up $2 billion from 2012. This represents a 22.6% increase in foundation assets.
- In 2013, Connecticut was home to 1,607 active grantmaking foundations, a slight increase from the 2012 figure of 1,592.
- The top 5 Connecticut foundations (by giving) represented 41.3% of the grants awarded in 2013.

Grantmaking by Geographic Area
- Grantmakers in Fairfield County disbursed the majority of grant dollars (73.8%) – followed by Hartford County (14.2%) and New Haven County (8.7%).
- Fairfield County is home to 894 foundations, which represents 55.6% of the foundations in the state and 59.4% of assets held. This is followed by Hartford Country with 306 foundations (19%) with 23.1% of assets.

Connecticut Giving Highlights
- $3.66 billion in contributions from individuals, up from $3.61 billion in 2012
- $999 million given by Connecticut foundations
- $10.9 billion Connecticut foundation assets
- 1,607 active grantmaking foundations
- 21.9% of grants (by number) were awarded to Human Services; 25.9% of grant dollars were awarded to Education
- 59% of Connecticut foundation assets are held in in Fairfield County

Grantmaking by Subject Area
- In 2013, Connecticut grantmakers devoted the largest share of their grant dollars to education (25.9%), followed by health (22.9%), philanthropy and nonprofit management (16%), and human services (8.7%) (see Appendix D for more detail).