

# The Nonprofit Sector in CONNECTICUT



NUMBER OF CONNECTICUT NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	
ALL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	18,602
501(c)(3) PUBLIC CHARITIES (INCLUDES SOME RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS)	11,860
501(c)(3) PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FOUNDATIONS	1,770
OTHER 501(c) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *	4,972

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

## Public Charities and Foundations Benefit Connecticut Communities

## Economic Impact of CONNECTICUT Nonprofit Sector

- Employs **187,200** - almost 14% of the state's workforce
- Generates almost **\$37 billion** in annual revenues
- Holds assets of almost **\$121 billion**
- Connecticut foundations annually give over **\$999.7 million**
- Residents of Connecticut give **\$3.4 billion** to charity each year, representing **2.58 percent** of household income

### Deliver vital community services

- The National Diaper Bank Network strives to resolve a hidden problem with a huge cost—the lack of access to diapers for low-income families who cannot afford them for their infants and toddlers. It provides technical assistance to Diaper Banks in its home state of Connecticut and across the U.S. to address this issue, providing supplies to 6 million children in need.

### Give voice to the people they serve

- Everyday Democracy, based in Connecticut, provides ideas and tools for community change across the country. After the tragic school shootings in Newtown, Everyday Democracy, with the University of Arizona, launched a national dialogue on mental health that has engaged 26,000 young people in 300 communities. They informed SAMHSA's toolkit on how to convene a community conversation on mental health.

### Contribute to vibrant communities

- With a new CEO, the Fund for Greater Hartford continues to make direct grants to benefit families in the Greater Hartford area, but also funds partnerships and community coalitions. They are a funder of the Middlesex Coalition on Housing and Homelessness, led by Middlesex United Way to establish a 10-year plan to end homelessness in the county.

### Advance solutions for challenges facing society

- The Connecticut Council for Philanthropy works to ensure that its diverse member grantmakers are as effective as possible when they give. They provide trainings, advice, and support to ensure accountability and transparency in grantmaking, as well as a forum for funders to share best practices in philanthropy.

*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:

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>

### **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:GA/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:**

National Diaper Bank Network: <http://nationaldiaperbanknetwork.org/>

Fund for Greater Hartford: <http://www.fundforgreaterhartford.org/about-the-fund/partnerships>

Everyday Democracy: <http://everyday-democracy.org/national-dialogue-mental-health>

Connecticut Council on Philanthropy: <https://www.ctphilanthropy.org/about-connecticut-council-philanthropy>

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