What other organizations are giving in Maine?

Public charities in Maine
In contrast to private foundations, public charities derive most of their funding from the general public, receiving grants from individuals, government, and private foundations. Some of those public charities, sometimes called “supporting organizations,” act like foundations by supporting other public charities.

While not included in the foundation data in this report, there are a number of active public charities in Maine. They include Maine Initiatives, Maine Cancer Foundation, the United Ways, and many others.

Thousands of individual Mainers contribute to these public charities, which in turn support nonprofits across the state. For instance, United Ways provide significant funding to nonprofits throughout Maine.

Corporate Giving Programs
Corporations in Maine give to many nonprofits, and they give in a variety of ways. Some companies have formal, private foundations. Giving by these organizations is included in this report’s statistics about Maine foundation philanthropy. Several corporation-affiliated private foundations also appear in the list of Maine’s top 25 foundations.

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Foundations registered out-of-state
There are a number of foundations registered in other states that give significantly in Maine.

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<th>Foundation Name</th>
<th>Amount Awarded in ME in millions</th>
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United Way Giving in Maine (in millions)

- **United Way of Greater Portland**, $5.42
- **United Way of Mid Coast Maine, Inc.**, $1.35
- **United Way of Eastern Maine**, $1.24
- **United Way of York County**, $1.06
- **United Way of Androscoggin County, Inc.**, $0.90
- **United Way of Kennebec Valley**, $0.82
- **United Way of Aroostook**, $0.24
- **United Way of the Tri Valley Area**, $0.20

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Giving in Maine 2018

Foundation Giving

In 2016, there were 356 foundations registered in Maine. Those Maine foundations gave **$175 Million** in grants throughout the world.

2016 Assets
Foundations registered in Maine reported **$2.87 billion** in assets in 2016.

Change in Assets from 2006 to 2015*
Over the past nine years, the assets of foundations registered in Maine have increased by almost double the national rate.

*National-level information is not available for 2016.

Changes in the asset base and giving of Maine-registered foundations over time
Philanthropy in Maine has grown enormously over the past 20 years. The assets and giving of Maine-registered foundations are more than ten times what they were in 1995. More recently, from 2015 to 2016, Maine foundations increased giving by 9%, which is above the national average.

The role of foundation giving in Maine
Foundation giving made up 23% of all charitable giving in Maine in 2015. In contrast, giving from individuals, through donations and bequests, accounted for 73% of all charitable giving.

Foundation giving cannot replace government spending, on either the state or national level.

In 2016, the total amount of foundation giving ($175 million) equaled only 2% of the Maine state government’s $8.1 billion annual budget.

At the national level, the Foundation Center estimates Maine received $2.8 billion in federal dollars in 2016.

What is a foundation? A foundation is a non-governmental nonprofit organization that makes grants to unrelated organizations in order to support charitable activities that advance the public good. The assets of private foundations generally originate from a family, individual, or corporation. Private foundations are required to spent at least 5% of the income generated by their assets each year.
Giving by Focus Area: Percentage of Total Giving

Where do foundation dollars go in Maine?

Foundation giving in Maine isn’t evenly distributed across the state’s counties.

- Almost half of the giving by the top Maine foundations goes to organizations based in Cumberland and Kennebec counties, while another 8% is awarded for statewide initiatives.
- The remaining counties each receive less than 8% of the total giving.
- Interestingly, those counties north and east of Kennebec County received 23% of total grant dollars in 2016, as compared to 16% in 2015.

These giving numbers reflect where the grant recipient is based. Organizations based in one county may provide services to other parts of the state.

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Number and Size of Grants

The majority of grants awarded in Maine were under $10,000

In 2016, grants under $10,000 represented 10% of the total dollars awarded, but made up 74% of the grants.

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