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VIBRANT. DIVERSE. ESSENTIAL.

This is North Dakota's nonprofit sector.

As individual institutions, we are dynamic, inventive, and focused on an astounding array of issues. As a group, we are a powerful force in North Dakota's economy and the quality of life we treasure.

Nonprofits embody the best spirit and values of North Dakota. We help thousands of individuals and families daily. We protect, feed, heal, shelter, educate, and nurture our bodies and spirits. Nonprofits also give shape to our boldest dreams, highest ideals, and noblest causes. We turn our beliefs into action – as promoters of democracy, champions of the common good, incubators of innovation, laboratories of leadership, protectors of taxpayers, responders in times of trouble, stimulators of the economy, and weavers of community fabric.

For more than 100 years, the nonprofit sector has been an integral part of life in North Dakota. Businesses rely on the services we provide to support the well-being of their employees and their families. Government relies on us to provide a safety net for those in need. Communities rely on our programs to enrich family life, protect the environment, and respond in a crisis. We touch the lives of every citizen in North Dakota, every day.

Our role in the life of our state has intensified over the years. Today, we invite you to get to know us better through this publication. In the end, we hope it will inspire you to collaborate and partner with us. Whether your role is volunteer, lawmaker, business executive, donor, friend, or advocate, we need your partnership to remain vibrant, improve the quality of life in North Dakota, and meet the needs of its citizens.

What is a nonprofit organization?

Nonprofit organizations are known by a variety of names. Sometimes nonprofits are referred to as "charities" or "community-based organizations." Some people refer to nonprofits by disciplines, such as "environmental groups" or "human service organizations" or "the arts." As a group, nonprofits may also be called "the philanthropic sector" or "the social sector."

The best way to define a nonprofit is to think of it in terms of its mission. What makes a nonprofit different from a business is a nonprofit's successful bottom line is defined as achieving its mission, not profit. When land is preserved, a homeless child sleeps in a safe place, or an isolated senior is visited by a home care nurse, a nonprofit has succeeded. While a nonprofit can actually earn excess revenue, any such revenue must be used to fuel the mission and sustain the work of the organization.

Nonprofits are governed by boards of directors, traditionally made up of volunteers who care deeply about the mission.

Nonprofits featured on the following pages are members of the North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations (NDANO).

Nonprofits touch the lives of every North Dakotan. People often think of nonprofits in relation to problems or emergencies. But nonprofits are part of daily lives. They are orchestras, parks, museums, and hospitals. They are schools, churches, civic leagues, libraries, and animal shelters. People rely on them every day. Imagine a life in North Dakota without their work. So much would be lost. Nonprofits are not just for a few or only for those in need. They exist because they are essential to the common good.

The North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services (NDCAWS) has grown from a loose network of five organizations in 1978 to a membership of 21 direct service agencies. The rich history of the organization includes growing a direct service provider network and raising statewide awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault, as well as advocating for victims' rights and support systems.

For five years, Shirley slept in a recliner chair because it was difficult for her to get in and out of bed. Because the chair wasn't supporting her correctly while sleeping, her doctor referred her to **Project HERO** (Healthcare Equipment Recycling Organization) in Fargo for a hospital bed. Shirley left happy knowing HERO was here to help provide life-changing medical items.

St. Ann's Indian Mission serves the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa through five local parishes. The St. Ann's Youth Ministry provides programs designed to nurture spiritual, physical, and intellectual growth for junior and senior high school youth groups. At its youth center, students participate in various events, including Bible study, praise and worship, and Eucharistic adoration.

The mission of the Circle of Friends Humane Society is to shelter and care for lost, unwanted pets; place them into humane environments; and increase people's awareness of their responsibilities to all animals. As the only shelter in the Red River Valley to accept all strays regardless of origin, the Circle of Friends Humane Society receives 35 to 40 pets each week.

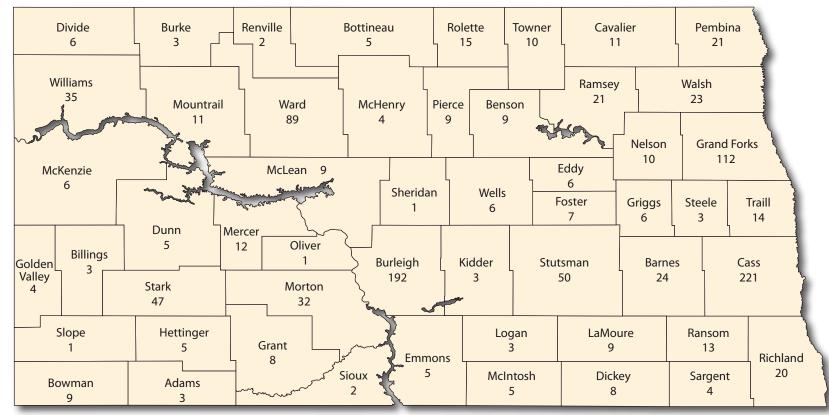


NORTH DAKOTA NONPROFITS BY THE NUMBERS

North Dakota is home to 5,804 nonprofit organizations. Of these, 3,281 are public charities, including community-based organizations, hospitals, and colleges. Another 80 are charitable foundations that grant funding to nonprofits. The remaining 2,443 are other nonprofits, such as fraternal organizations, trade associations, and cemeteries.

Charitable nonprofits – those granted tax exempt status as a 501(c)(3) by the IRS that may receive tax-deductible contributions – make up the majority of North Dakota nonprofits. Reporting charitable nonprofits are those with annual revenue of more than \$25,000 that must be reported to the IRS. In 2008, 1,143 reporting North Dakota charities held \$4.5 billion in assets and had \$3.4 billion in expenditures.

Figure 1. Reporting Charitable Nonprofits in North Dakota by County, 2008



SOURCE: NCCS Data Web, National Center for Charitable Statistics, http://nccsdataweb.urban.org/ ©2010

Nonprofits work for the common good. The uniqueness of the nonprofit sector lies in its mission to serve the common good. Because of their flexible structures and understanding of community issues, nonprofits are able to create innovative programs that help protect the qualities valued most in a humane and civil society. Nonprofits ensure all are heard and have the opportunity to serve and be served, regardless of circumstance.

The **Community Violence Intervention Center** in Grand Forks works to build a violence-free community, saving lives by providing shelter and a lifeline through the crisis; rebuilding lives by providing counseling to overcome the trauma, a fresh start with transitional housing and career counseling, safety through supervised parenting time and guidance through the legal system; and ending violence by providing education, training, collaboration, and offender treatment.

ArtWise in Grand Forks is entering its 18th year of inspiring creativity in the classroom. The organization brings 3,500 kids' art to the community at its elementary art show each March. ArtWise provides visual arts activities at area festivals, through camps for kids, and through support of the artist in the classroom program. Children's art opens the door to self-confidence, skill development, and a lifetime of creativity.

Catholic Charities North Dakota began providing child welfare services in 1923. It has remained true to its mission of protecting the vulnerable and advocating on their behalf with programs including pregnancy, parenting, and adoption services; adults adopting special kids; guardianship services for adults with developmental disabilities; and counseling services. Each year, the agency serves over 1,000 people across the state.

African Soul American Heart (ASAH) is dedicated to serving orphans and girls in Duk Payuel, Southern Sudan. The organization provides underwear and hygiene supplies for girls, school supplies, and sewing machines. It also supports seven Sudanese orphans in boarding schools in Nakuru, Kenya. In 2011, ASAH will build a boarding school for 40 female orphans.



NORTH DAKOTA NONPROFITS BY THE NUMBERS

The majority of North Dakota charitable nonprofits are small, community-based organizations. In fact, 80% (919 organizations) of North Dakota's reporting charitable nonprofits had annual expenditures under \$1 million in 2008. Only 8% (90 organizations) had annual expenditures greater than \$5 million. However, these same organizations accounted for 74% of the total assets and 87% of the total expenditures of all reporting charitable nonprofits in the state.

Human service organizations make up the largest proportion of North Dakota's reporting charitable nonprofits at 38%. These organizations provide a broad spectrum of services including youth development, disaster relief, housing services, and family support. Health care/mental health is the second largest field with 19% of the total. Religiously-affiliated charitable nonprofits that provide specific programs, such as mental health services or daycare, are placed with organizations providing similar services, not under religion/spiritual.

Figure 2. Reporting Charitable Nonprofits in North Dakota by Expenditure Level, 2008

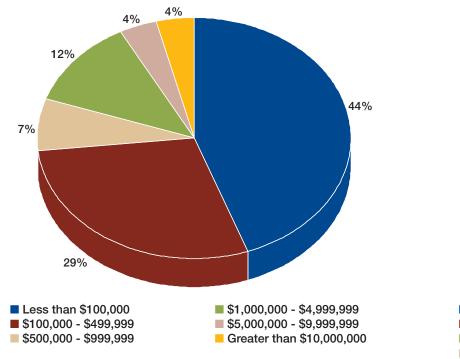
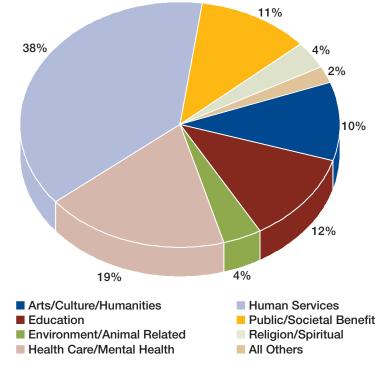


Figure 3. Reporting Charitable Nonprofits in North Dakota by Field, 2008



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Nonprofits are an effective investment. Prevention saves money. When considering the long-term costs, and the risk, of doing nothing to address urgent needs, nonprofits are a sound investment in the community. Nonprofits also offer a cost-effective way to deliver services. Nonprofits can execute programs effectively because they are able to employ unique strategies, leverage volunteer power, and mobilize grassroots relationships. As a result, government has increasingly partnered with the nonprofit sector, contracting with them to deliver a vast range of services. Investing in the work of nonprofits is an investment in innovative solutions and services that benefit everyone.

Beyond Shelter Inc. (BSI), created in 1999, specializes in affordable housing development. BSI has been successful in meeting its mission with 348 affordable housing units in service and 85 units under construction. Housing projects have included acquisition with rehabilitation and new construction for families, seniors, and special needs populations.

A caring mentor helps at-risk youth succeed in life by giving oneon-one attention, positive role modeling, and guidance that helps increase self-esteem, improve behavior and attitude, graduate from high school, and reduce juvenile delinquency. The **Best Friends Mentoring Program** in Dickinson is making a positive difference in children and families, one at a time.

The Minot Public School Foundation's mission is to preserve, promote, and enhance the quality of education of the Minot Public School District. This is largely accomplished through the granting of funds to educators and others for projects which support and enrich the education experience for students. The grants are effective in helping educators do the extra things which broaden the education of youth.

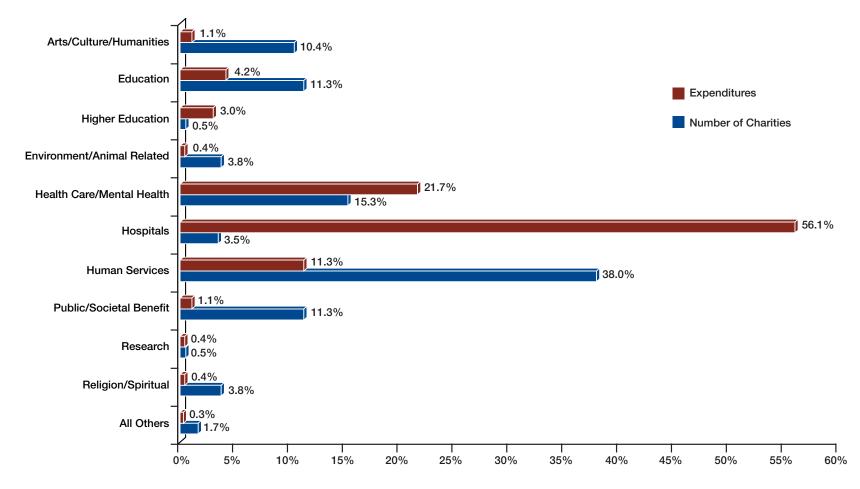
Prairie Harvest Mental Health in Grand Forks promotes independence and enhances quality of life for adults with serious mental illness. The organization provides services in a person-centered, recovery-focused method for housing and supportive services. The organization envisions a future in which people with mental health problems pursue health, happiness, and recovery and a full and satisfactory life in the community.



NORTH DAKOTA NONPROFITS BY THE NUMBERS

Health-related nonprofits account for more than 78% of the total nonprofit expenditures in North Dakota. Over half of the reported nonprofit expenditures are by hospitals, yet they constitute only 3.5% of the total reporting charitable nonprofits. Human service organizations, representing 38% of the total number of nonprofits, had only 11.3% of total expenditures.

Figure 4. Number and Expenditures of Reporting Charitable Nonprofits in North Dakota by Field, 2008



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Nonprofits are vital to the economy. The nonprofit sector has experienced substantial growth and innovation in recent decades. As a result, nonprofits contribute significantly to the North Dakota economy. In 2008, revenue from nonprofits made up 11% (\$3,466,263,915) of the state's gross domestic product. More than 12% of North Dakota's workers are employed in the nonprofit sector. The economic value of nonprofits does not stop there. Nonprofit arts, culture and heritage organizations, for example, support tourism, the state's third largest industry. Nonprofits partner with communities to sustain livable, safe towns where businesses want to locate. Workforce training programs, micro-credit services, and other educational programs provided by nonprofits support a skilled workforce and a healthy consumer marketplace.

Eastern Dakota Housing Alliance is a multi-regional community housing development organization serving 25 counties in eastern North Dakota. The Alliance has experience developing single family and multifamily homes, as well as rehabilitating existing properties to benefit lower income households. Funding may be combined with other public and private sources to help develop partnership projects.

The **Vocational Training Center** in Fargo is committed to providing quality vocational services and supports leading to greater opportunities, choices, employment, and independence for individuals with barriers to employment. The Center accomplishes its mission by partnering with the business sector through subcontracted work to provide anyone the opportunity to earn a paycheck regardless of limitations.

The mission of **The Village Family Service Center** is to improve the quality of life through services designed to strengthen individuals, families, and organizations. The Village reaches out to more than 80,000 people every year. From individual and family counseling to child care, mentoring, and adoption to financial counseling and workplace issues, The Village serves families in every county in North Dakota.

The Lewis & Clark Fort Mandan Foundation in Washburn operates both Fort Mandan and the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center. Its mission is to reveal the stories of Lewis and Clark and their time among the native peoples on the Upper Missouri. The Foundation's Dakota Institute also produces documentary films, publishes books, stages symposia, and hosts "The Thomas Jefferson Hour" on public radio.





NORTH DAKOTA PHILANTHROPY BY THE NUMBERS

North Dakota nonprofits partner with government, private individuals, and foundations to provide enrichment and services. There were 89 foundations in North Dakota in 2008, representing 0.12% of all foundations in the United States. The total assets of these foundations were more than \$268 million and their giving totaled almost \$20 million.

Public charities (with the exception of community foundations), such as Dakota Medical Foundation, are not included in the North Dakota top funder tables because The Foundation Center, which compiled this data, does not have comprehensive information on all public charities at this time.

Figure 5. Overview of North Dakota Foundations, 2008

Foundation Type	Number	Assets	Total Giving
Independent Foundations	71	\$182,466,241	\$9,461,602
Corporate Foundations	4	\$4,638,825	\$2,047,494
Community Foundations	4	\$78,386,083	\$8,000,982
Operating Foundations	10	\$3,047,497	\$117,329
Total in North Dakota	89	268,538,646	19,627,407
Total in United States	75,595	\$564,950,926,000	\$46,781,305,000
North Dakota as % of U.S.	0.12%	0.05%	0.04%

Figure 6. Top 10 North Dakota Foundations by Assets, 2008

Foundation Name	Assets	Туре
The Barry Foundation	\$48,356,280	Independent
Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation	\$39,403,374	Community
The R. B. Nordick Foundation	\$38,818,958	Independent
North Dakota Community Foundation	\$31,510,395	Community
North Dakota Natural Resources Trust	\$14,239,504	Independent
Scheels All Sports Foundation	\$13,544,194	Independent
Tom and Frances Leach Foundation	\$10,463,530	Independent
L. W. Huncke Foundation	\$10,335,118	Independent
Alex Stern Family Foundation	\$7,636,293	Independent
Dakota Foundation	\$5,514,446	Independent
Total	\$219,822,092	

Figure 7. Top 10 North Dakota Foundations by Total Giving, 2008

Total Giving	Туре
\$5,963,222	Community
\$2,635,628	Independent
\$1,997,830	Corporate
\$1,681,500	Independent
\$1,557,148	Community
\$677,952	Independent
\$495,000	Independent
\$441,096	Independent
\$400,000	Independent
\$360,000	Independent
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SOURCE: The Foundation Center

North Dakotans are generous in gifts of time and money to help nonprofits achieve their missions. The average charitable contribution of North Dakotans was \$701 in 2008. However, approximately 80% of North Dakota taxpayers do not itemize their taxes and therefore do not receive a tax deduction for their charitable contributions, so it is difficult to quantify their generosity. This is typical for the rest of the country as well.

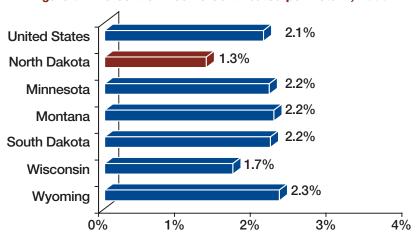
Volunteerism

Thirty-four percent of North Dakotans volunteer each year, ranking North Dakota 12th in volunteerism among the 50 states and Washington, D.C. According to the Corporation for National and Community Service, North Dakota's 167,900 volunteers donate 17 million hours of time annually, equaling \$354.6 million of services contributed to help nonprofits across the state achieve their missions.

Figure 8. Average Charitable Contribution per Return, 2008



Figure 9. Percent of Income Contributed per Return, 2008



SOURCE: National Center for Charitable Statistics, Urban Institute

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Nonprofits work in every community. Nonprofits care for returning soldiers, rebuild cities, educate children, support the workforce, nurse the sick, support elders, elevate the arts, mentor youth, protect natural resources, and more. Nonprofits are all around. And, nonprofits are not just organizations – they are the face of communities.

For 45 years, **Charles Hall Youth Services** has responded to the needs of youth at high risk in North Dakota. At its founding in 1965, the organization served only Indian youth from North Dakota's Ft. Berthold Reservation. Today, the agency maintains three group homes in Bismarck neighborhoods and annually serves close to 100 boys and girls, ages 10-18, of all ethnic groups and from all backgrounds.

Since 1996, the **Coalition of Charitable Organizations** (COCO) has been working to build relationships between fundraising entities, potential donors, and those who advise people how and where to give in North Dakota. As a membership organization, COCO helps spread the word about its members and their missions and provides educational opportunities.

More than one in nine North Dakotans are served by **Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota** each year through 19 programs. Lutheran Social Services works to prevent child abuse and neglect, helps troubled youth, provides addiction and mental health counseling and treatment, and offers in-home senior services, as well as meets needs such as hunger relief, rural housing, child care, and disaster recovery.

United Way in Grand Forks has a program that fills an important but sometimes overlooked unmet need. While there are many thrift stores in the community, rarely are there donations of basic items like new underwear or socks. United Way developed the "Undies Sundays" program to meet this need. In October, participating churches ask parishioners for donations which are then distributed to nonprofits.

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation was formed in 1998 when the Sisters of St. Francis sold Uni-Med Medical Center. Its mission is to promote healthy and sustainable communities by providing financial gifts, strengthening collaborative relationships, and supporting local initiatives that impact the mental, physical, and spiritual well-being of residents in 10 counties near Minot.



NORTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

As the premier association, leader, and voice of North Dakota's nonprofits, the North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations (NDANO) strengthens communities and enhances quality of life through engaging and ensuring a strong charitable sector. NDANO is the statewide membership association advancing nonprofit organizations through advocacy and public policy, education and training, resources and research, and cost-saving programs.

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