

What other organizations are giving in Maine?

Public charities in Maine

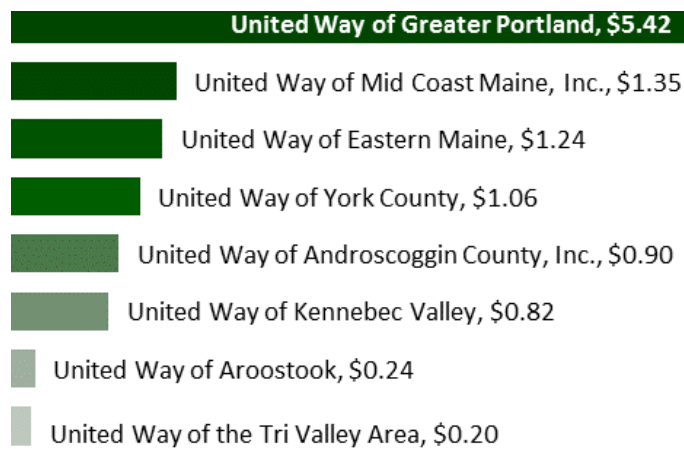
In contrast to private foundations, public charities derive most of their funding from the general public, receiving grants from individuals, government, and private foundations. Some of those public charities, sometimes called “supporting organizations,” act like foundations by supporting other public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

United Way Giving in Maine (in millions)



Foundations registered out-of-state

There are a number of foundations registered in other states that give significantly in Maine.

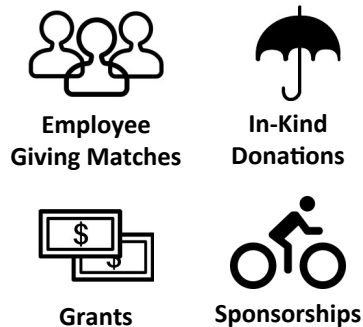
Foundation Name	Amount Awarded in ME in millions	# of Grants in ME
Alpert LePage Foundation, FL	\$10.3	3
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, NJ	\$9.1	7
The Partridge Foundation, OH	\$4.6	7
Doree Taylor Charitable Fdn, MA	\$2.0	56
Educause, CO	\$1.8	1
Sweet Water Trust, MA	\$1.5	1
Silicon Valley Community Fdn, CA	\$1.2	21
Boyne Foundation, GA	\$1.1	2
Jane’s Trust, MA	\$1.1	15
Martha and Alexis Stewart Fdn, NY	\$1.0	2
Hart Charitable Foundation, TX	\$.93	1
David and Lucille Packard Fdn, CA	\$.91	5

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.

Other corporate giving occurs through sponsorships, in-kind gifts, employee matching programs, and grants. Such donations are not reported on publicly available 990 tax forms. All in all, we estimate that corporate giving makes up 5% of all charitable giving in Maine.

Some companies have both a private foundation and a corporate giving program.



Giving in Maine 2018

Foundation Giving

A Snapshot of Foundation Giving from the Maine Philanthropy Center

In 2016, there were 356 foundations registered in Maine.

Those Maine foundations gave

\$175 Million

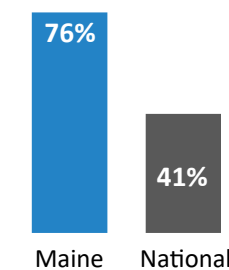
in grants throughout the world.

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.



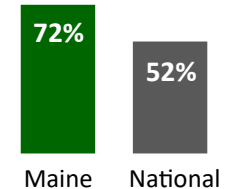
*National-level information is not available for 2016.

2016 Giving

Maine-based foundations gave **\$175 million** in 2016, an increase of more than **72%** since 2006.

Change in Giving from 2006 to 2016

Over the past ten years, the total giving of foundations registered in Maine has also increased faster than the national average.

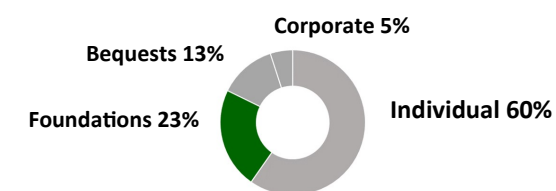


Changes in the asset base and giving of Maine-registered foundations over time

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.



Total Charitable Giving in Maine: \$776 million

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.



Each year, foundations and individuals provide millions of dollars of support to nonprofit organizations to strengthen the lives of Maine residents and their communities. As part of our commitment to advancing the effectiveness of philanthropy in Maine, the Maine Philanthropy Center is proud to develop this annual snapshot of giving in Maine.

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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 spend at least 5% of the income generated by their assets each year.

Understanding Maine Giving

The 25 Most Active Foundations in Maine

Which foundations are giving the most in Maine?

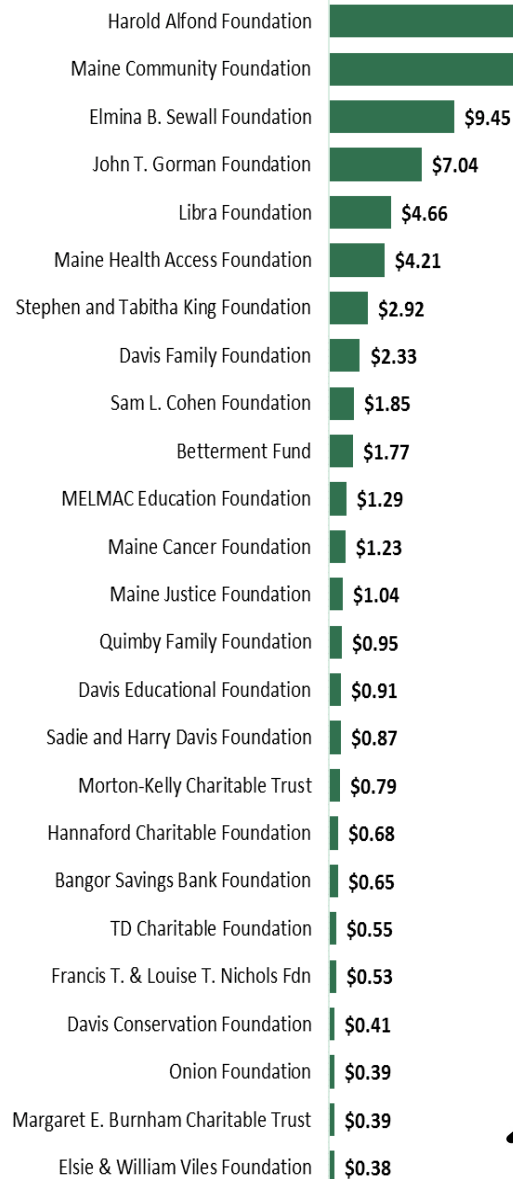
We compile this list of the top 25 most active foundations registered in Maine based on their total giving to Maine specifically. We do not include out-of-state giving. We believe that doing so gives us a better picture of what's happening in Maine.

\$114 million, or 82%, of the total giving of the top 25 foundations stayed in Maine in 2016.

On this page, we look more closely at that portion of the total giving.

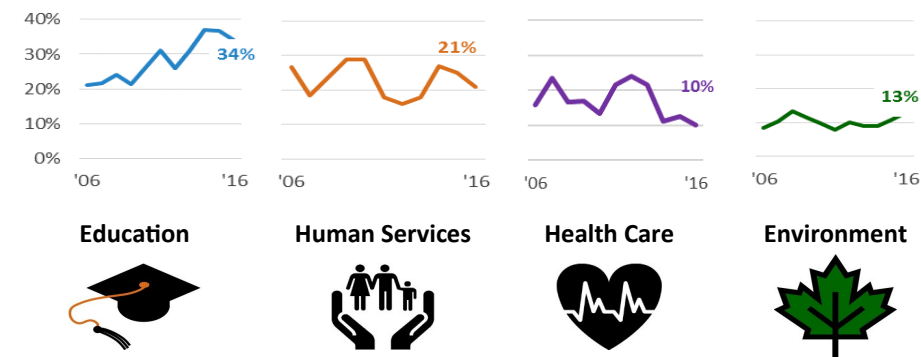
Top 25 Foundations, by total giving in Maine

Giving to Organizations in Maine (in millions)



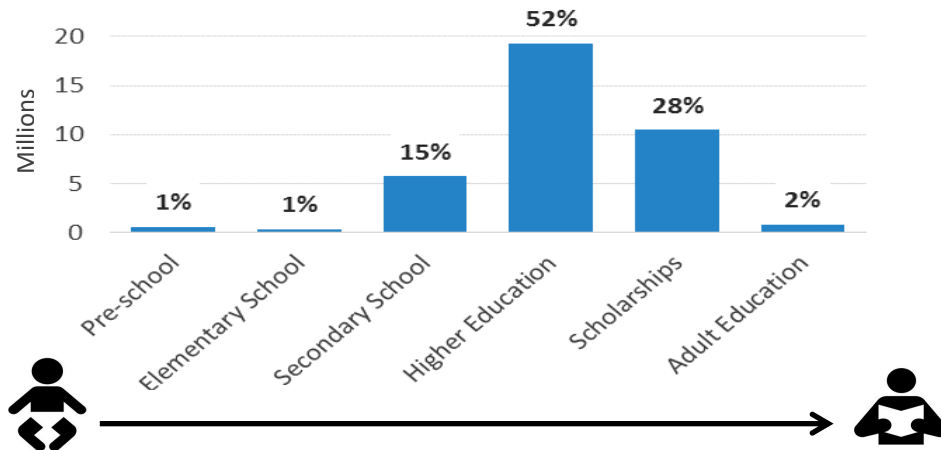
Giving by Focus Area: Percentage of Total Giving

Education funding made up 34% of the giving by the top Maine foundations in 2016.



Spotlight on: Education

In 2016, 80% of the education funding by Maine's top 25 foundations went to scholarships and higher education.



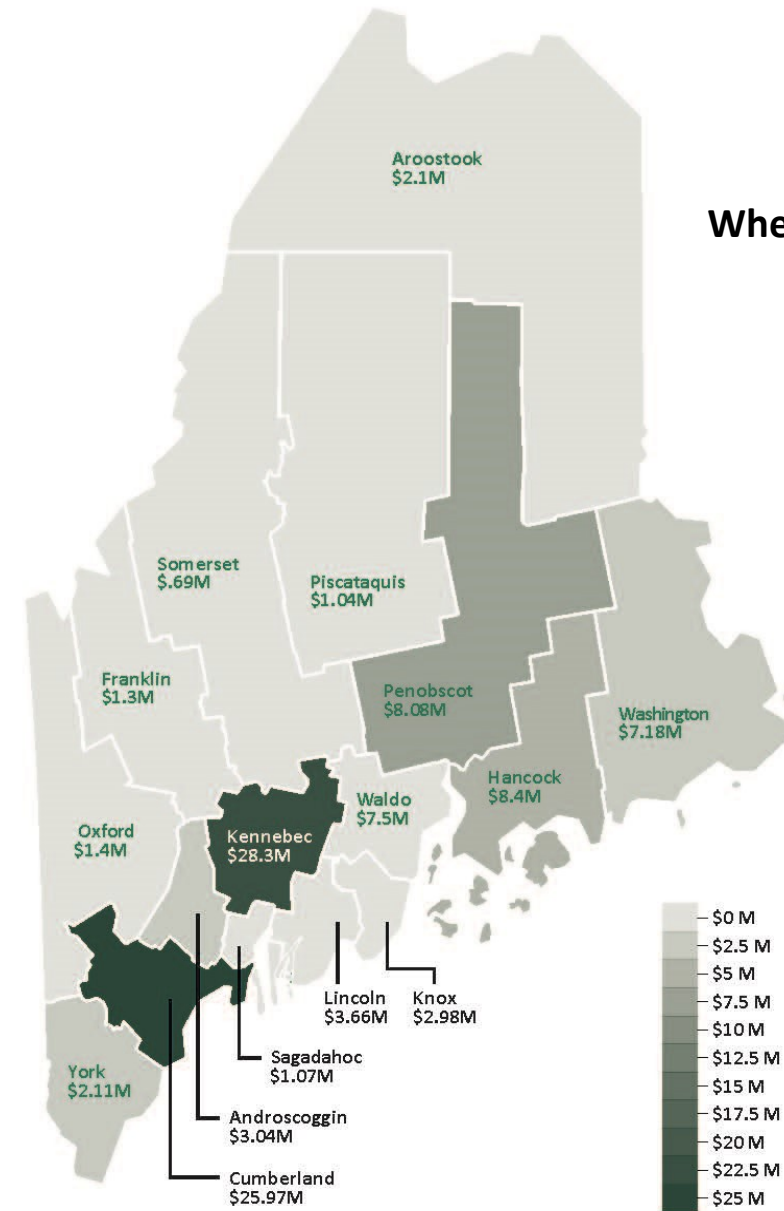
In 2016, Maine's top 25 foundations reported a total of **\$2.28 billion** in assets.

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.

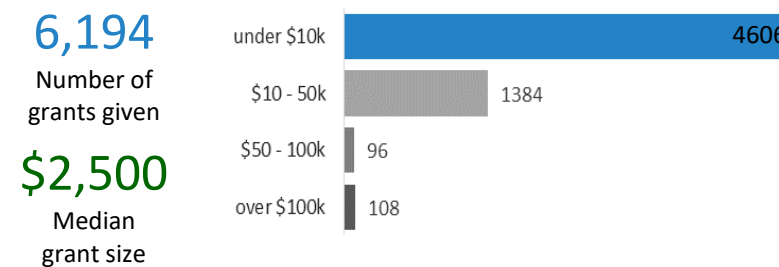
These giving numbers reflect where the *grant recipient* is based. Organizations based in one county may provide services to other parts of the state.



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.



Sources:

Maine giving data are collected from IRS Form 990s and grant lists provided by foundations. National averages come from the Foundation Center Stats. This report uses the most recent data that are publicly available. Find more information and tables online at www.maine philanthropy.org/2018-giving-reports