



## Michigan Nonprofit Association

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# Michigan's Nonprofit Sector Employs 1 in 10 Workers

## *2009 Economic Benefits of Michigan's Nonprofit Sector Report Released*

**April 2, 2009 - Lansing, MI** – Michigan's nonprofit sector generates \$108 billion each year in economic activity according to the *2009 Economic Benefits of Michigan's Nonprofit Sector* report, commissioned by the Council of Michigan Foundations, Michigan Nonprofit Association and the Johnson Center at Grand Valley State University and compiled by Public Sector Consultants.

Nonprofit organizations are often referred to as a "social safety net," providing vital economic support to Michigan's economy working with every issue of concern. According to the IRS, in 2008 Michigan had more than 47,000 nonprofit organizations. This is a 14 percent increase in total organizations since 2001. The report also found an increase of total number of employees by 2.6 percent since 2006. This growth is a response to the growing need for nonprofit services.

The 2009 Economic Benefits report is available online by visiting [www.mnaonline.org](http://www.mnaonline.org), where you can view the full report as well as detailed regional tables. Regions are searchable by type of nonprofit (public charities, private foundations and noncharitable nonprofits) and geography of interest.

Highlights of the report include:

- Michigan nonprofits employ 10 percent of the workforce, paying \$4 billion each quarter in wages.
- Public charities and foundations, or 501(c)(3) nonprofits, numbered 31,979 in 2008. This is an increase of 64 percent between 1997 and 2008.
- The largest grouping of organizations within public charities are human service (36.5 percent) followed by education (15.3 percent) and health (14 percent).
- Nonprofits have direct expenditures of more than \$60 billion, which creates indirect and induced economic effects of an additional \$48 billion, generating \$108 billion each year in economic activity.

For more information about the 2009 Economic Benefits report visit, <http://nonprofit.pscinc.com/> or contact Lisa Sommer at [lsommer@mnaonline.org](mailto:lsommer@mnaonline.org).

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