For the first time ever, charitable giving exceeded the $400 billion mark in 2017, spurred by growth from all four sources of giving.

$410.02 billion

Where did the generosity come from?

- Giving by Individuals: $286.65 billion (70%)
  - Increased 5.2 percent (1.8 percent when inflation-adjusted) over 2016
- Giving by Foundations: $66.90 billion (16%)
  - Increased 6.0 percent (3.8 percent when inflation-adjusted) over 2016
- Giving by Bequest: $35.70 billion (9%)
  - Increased 2.3 percent (0.2 percent when inflation-adjusted) over 2016
- Giving by Corporations: $20.77 billion (5%)
  - Increased 8.0 percent (5.7 percent when inflation-adjusted) over 2016

Contributions by source (as a percentage of the total)

- Giving by individuals increased $14.27 billion over last year for a growth rate of 5.2 percent, on track with the growth in total giving.


Where are all of the charitable dollars going?

- 31% Religion
  - $127.37 billion
- 14% Education
  - $58.90 billion
- 12% Human Services
  - $50.06 billion
- 11% To Foundations
  - $48.89 billion
- 9% Health
  - $38.27 billion
- 7% Public-Society Benefit
  - $29.59 billion
- 5% Arts, Culture, and Humanities
  - $19.51 billion
- 6% International Affairs
  - $22.97 billion
- 3% Environment/Animals
  - $11.83 billion
- 2% To Individuals
  - $7.87 billion

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