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# 2019

## DONOR-ADVISED FUND REPORT

WE COLLECTED DONOR-ADVISED FUND DATA FROM **989** ORGANIZATIONS

**54**

**NATIONAL  
CHARITIES**

had **593,356** donor-advised fund accounts with charitable assets totaling **\$72.35 billion**.

**603**

**COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATIONS**

had **77,234** donor-advised fund accounts with charitable assets totaling **\$33.87 billion**.

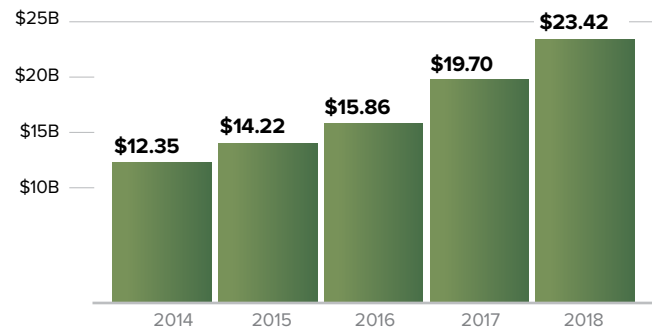
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**SINGLE-ISSUE  
CHARITIES**

had **57,973** donor-advised fund accounts with charitable assets totaling **\$15.19 billion**.

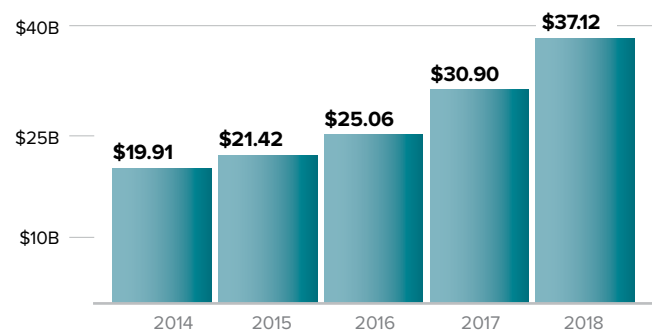
## GRANTS

Grants from donor-advised funds to charitable organizations reached a new high at **\$23.42 billion** – an 18.9 percent increase.



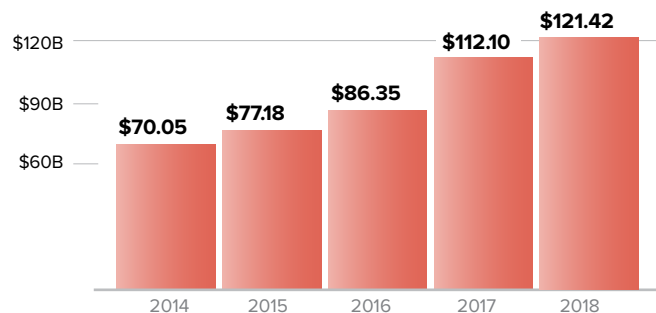
## CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions to donor-advised funds in 2018 totaled **\$37.12 billion** – an increase of 20.1 percent.



## CHARITABLE ASSETS

All **\$121.42 billion** in donor-advised funds are available for charitable purposes.





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20.9%

PAYOUT

The grant payout rate from donor-advised funds annually exceeds 20% for every year on record.

## DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

are the fastest-growing and most popular charitable giving vehicle. They outnumber private foundations by more than 9:1.

## DONOR-ADVISED FUND GROWTH COMPARED WITH INDEPENDENT FOUNDATION GROWTH (\$B)

Independent Foundations	2017	2018	% Change
Charitable Assets	\$ 823.81	\$ 872.65	5.9%
Total Grant Dollars	\$ 49.50	\$ 54.03	9.2%
Total Number	80,000 <sup>1</sup>		

Donor-Advised Funds	2017	2018	% Change
Charitable Assets	\$ 112.10	\$ 121.42	8.3%
Total Grant Dollars	\$ 19.70	\$ 23.42	18.9%
Total Number	469,331	728,563	55.2%

<sup>1</sup> The most recent estimate available for the number of independent foundations is 79,489 in 2015, Candid/The Foundation Center. *Italic indicates an estimate based on data from Candid/The Foundation Center, Giving USA 2018 and Giving USA 2019.*

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