

Leading the Charge

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Our Vision

A just and inclusive society of active citizens, vibrant communities, effective institutions, and a healthy democracy.

Our Mission

To promote, strengthen, and advance the nonprofit and philanthropic community to foster private initiative for the public good.

Leading the Charge





Celebrating the Legacy of **John W. Gardner**

Founding Chairperson and Chairperson Emeritus

INDEPENDENT SECTOR
October 8, 1912 – February 16, 2002

In the passing of John Gardner, our country has lost one of its greatest builders of ideas and institutions and a unifier of people and causes. He was a leader in many circles, from government and politics to civil rights, education, and philanthropy. As a Republican in a Democratic administration, John was a believer in the responsibility of government to create social change, as evidenced by his leadership in designing Medicare programs. He was an original in the fight for civil rights and campaign finance reform, and he was an early force in the recognition of the great power of private, nonprofit initiative and its role in shaping society.

He died within weeks of President Bush's call for national service and just three days after the House of Representatives voted to enact campaign finance reform—two causes to which he lent his leadership and energy. In the nonprofit and philanthropic sphere in particular, his leadership and ideas have influenced thousands of leaders who are in turn applying his ideas of community building and renewal around the world. In his passing, we have lost a great friend and mentor and the nation has lost a great advocate for vibrant, healthy communities.

Sara E. Meléndez

President and CEO, INDEPENDENT SECTOR



Biography

John W. Gardner was the ultimate builder of ideas and unifier of people and causes. He was an active and distinguished participant in America's educational, philanthropic, and political life. He served as president of the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching; Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; chairperson of the National Urban Coalition; founding chairman of Common Cause; and founding chairperson of March 5, 198 INDEPENDENT SECTOR. In 1964, he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor.

He was the architect of the Great Society programs, as Lyndon Johnson's Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, and counselor to five other presidents. He wrote on such topics as excellence, leadership, self-renewal, and organizational renewal. Mr. Gardner was considered one of our foremost thinkers and a vigorous advocate for social action and national renewal. In his remarkable career, he played an instrumental role in a vast array of enterprises, including the White House Fellows Program, public television, enforcement of the Civil Rights Act, Medicare, the Experience Corps, and many, many others. Through the sheer power of his ideas, he became one of the most influential voices of his generation.

March 5, 1980—
The charter is signed and INDEPENDENT SECTOR is born. Above from left, Brian O'Connell, James Lipscomb, Philip Bernstein, Bayard Ewing, John W. Gardner (signing), and Kenneth Albrecht.

In 1978 and 1979, Mr. Gardner chaired the Organizing Committee that founded INDEPENDENT SECTOR, a unique national coalition that today includes more than 700 nonprofit organizations, foundations, and corporate philanthropy programs. Just as Common Cause has proven to be a powerful lobby force of individual citizens, INDEPENDENT SECTOR provides a major meeting ground for organizations in the nonprofit sector and a force for advancing the nonprofit and philanthropic community's work. He served as INDEPENDENT SECTOR's founding chairperson from 1980 to 1983 and in years since was chairperson emeritus.

He authored several books and monographs on the relationship of the individual and societal improvement, On Leadership, Building Community, and National Renewal.

In 1985, INDEPENDENT SECTOR created the John W. Gardner Leadership Award in his honor, recognizing outstanding leaders in nonprofit and philanthropic work who have mirrored his exemplary efforts as a builder, mobilizer, and unifier. Twenty-four individuals have received the award since its inception.

His influence remains strong among thousands of men and women working and leading in nonprofit organizations, government, and business, and especially among many young leaders, who are the builders of tomorrow.

INDEPENDENT SECTOR and the independent sector

The Independent Sector name celebrates the vast network of voluntary organizations, foundations, religious congregations, social welfare groups, and corporate giving programs working together to improve the lives of people across the United States and around the world. These groups are

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collectively referred to as the "independent sector," to emphasize their unique role in society, distinct from business and government. Most people recognize the different educational, religious, arts and cultural, and health and human services organizations that improve their lives every day. The reality is that the organizations of the independent sector—and the people who give and volunteer through them—have a tremendous and irreplaceable impact on the quality of life in the United States and beyond.

Message from the President

INDEPENDENT Sector began 2001 with a new strategic framework that empowered us to focus on identifying issues critical to the sector and leading efforts to set a common agenda for addressing them, while continuing to fulfill our ongoing responsibilities as a membership organization. It was a "Mandate to Lead" that we, the board and staff, embraced. We learned to work in new ways—we had to be nimble, flexible, focused, and fast in our response capability. We also reached out to a broader group of organizations than were part of our traditional membership.



It turns out that we approved our new framework just in time. The future today looks very different from the one we thought we were facing last year. The nonprofit and philanthropic community was presented with a whole new set of challenges and opportunities that tested us to our core and will continue to test us for some time. How well the sector will be able to take advantage of the opportunities and fend off the perils will depend on how well prepared we are.

INDEPENDENT SECTOR is prepared to "lead the charge" by bringing the philanthropic community together. We are on the forefront of emerging issues. We are gathering information and knowledge about these issues and, when appropriate, leading an effort to address them. And through our unique meeting ground, we are convening key partners from government and business to work with us.

We need to:

- **Focus** on and **promote** the values we espouse;
- **Hear** and **amplify** the voices of all who have a stake in the sector and its values;
- **Create** effective organizations and **cultivate** leadership at all levels within an organization;
- **Earn**, nurture, and hold on to the public trust;
- **Engage** in ongoing renewal of our organizations; and
- **Sustain** the generous spirit of giving and volunteering that is essential to the long-term health and vitality of our communities.

The one thing that is certain is that our sector has become more critical than ever to our society, to our democracy, and to our communities. Our sector, and our members, will help our nation move beyond this most challenging period in our lifetime. We have a tremendous opportunity to give life to the values of the sector. We are critical in the effort to rebuild community. And we are critical to emerging from this dark cloud into the sunshine of a better, stronger nation and sector.

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Message from the Outgoing Chairperson

Anywhere and everywhere we go in this country, we can see the unique contributions of America's nonprofit sector and the extraordinary commitments emanating from our passion for volunteerism. I am proud of that.

And I am so proud of INDEPENDENT SECTOR—proud of what it stands for, proud of what it has accomplished. In its short but energetic 22 years, INDEPENDENT SECTOR has earned its stripes, established its legitimacy, and become a leader. We are a national resource and a recognized steward for our field.



Expectations of us, and the sector, are now very high and we are held, rightfully, to very high standards. Therefore, there is a need for concerted and collective efforts to maintain the high public appreciation and trust in our sector and rebuild it, where necessary. We have a goodwill account with the public that will go a long way in determining our future health and well-being. We must work hard to keep that account in good standing.

Of equal importance is the need for us to preserve the *independence* of the independent sector. While we are stronger than ever and thriving, we are also at risk of losing some of the hallmark distinctiveness that differentiates us from the public and for-profit sectors. We need to direct more attention to preserving, protecting, and strengthening the special role we play and the responsibilities we have. We need to highlight our distinctiveness, our independence, our value, and our values.

INDEPENDENT SECTOR has been given magnificent opportunities to be the conceptual and pragmatic resource to hundreds and thousands of organizations and millions of people who cherish our traditions. I cherish the opportunity to have been your chairperson these past three years.

Peter B. Goldberg

Peter Toldly

President and CEO, Alliance for Children and Families

INDEPENDENT SECTOR Chairperson, 1998-2001

Message from the Incoming Chairperson

As I begin my first year as chairperson of INDEPENDENT SECTOR, I want you to know that I appreciate what an honor and a privilege it is to lead this organization. I am cognizant of the fact that I'm the eighth chairperson, and that I have to fill shoes that are much larger than I'm capable of filling unless, of course, I can get support from you.

I also want you to know that I'm very appreciative of the proud heritage of INDEPENDENT SECTOR. I represent an organization that is indeed a charter member, and so I am in awe of all that has been accomplished and the true record of excellence we have built over these last two decades.



I also want you to know that I recognize the formidable challenges before us. Yes, in a way perhaps different from ever before, we are now faced not only with building community, but with *rebuilding* community. And we must do this in a world that is fast changing, more distrustful than a year ago, and filled with challenges that may redefine our sector and question our effectiveness and accountability.

INDEPENDENT SECTOR serves to bring the vast diversity of the organizations of the nonprofit and philanthropic community together so that we never lose sight of our combined vision of building an inclusive society of active citizens, vibrant communities, effective institutions, and a healthy democracy. But this is hard work and a duty that requires much perseverance. To quote from John Gardner, our founding chairperson, whom we will remember in a special way this year, "It would be a grave mistake to imagine that—in a great burst of energy—we can rebuild our communities and then turn to other tasks. That assumes a degree of stability we once knew but may never see again in our lifetime. We can never stop rebuilding."

I want you to know that I am very sensitive to our *raison d'être*, the reason we exist. Yes, it's captured in large part by last year's conference theme, "Let Every Voice Be Heard." The nonprofit and philanthropic community especially, different from the other sectors, listens to those special voices captured in the poetic words of Robert Frost early last century when he wrote a quatrain simply entitled "A Question." He said, "A voice said look me in the stars and tell me truly, men and women of earth, if all the soul and body scars are not too much to pay for birth."

Those are the voices that we must listen to as we build and rebuild community, so that fewer and fewer people have difficulty answering that question.

And finally, let me say to you that I accept this responsibility as a duty. Tagore, the Bengali poet from Calcutta who won the Nobel Prize for Literature, once wrote,

I slept and dreamt—That life was joy.

I awoke and saw—That life is duty.

I acted, and behold!—Duty was joy.

I accept this duty with joy, and I ask for your support as I attempt to provide the kind of leadership that has come before me.

John R. Seffrin

CEO, American Cancer Society
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William S. White, president and CEO of the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, at the IS Annual Conference in Atlanta: "Our goal of creating an inclusive society based on the respect, dignity, and integrity of each individual demands that we in the broadly defined nonprofit sector provide this type of leadership."

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Participants enjoy a lively discussion during a breakout session at the Annual Conference.

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INDEPENDENT SECTOR President and CEO Sara E. Meléndez presents outgoing Chairperson Peter B. Goldberg of the Alliance for Children and Families with the Steuben eagle sculpture in recognition of his years of service to IS.



2001 IS Membership



Membership and Dues

Brian O'Connell called it "Powered by Coalition." INDEPENDENT SECTOR members are central to the organization's mission. We encourage each of our members to actively help us set the direction of our work, and we ask our members to serve as partners with us to help carry out our work on behalf of the sector. Jointly, we serve the needs of the nonprofit and philanthropic community.

Through membership in INDEPENDENT SECTOR, corporations, nonprofit organizations, and foundations have the opportunity to invest in a vibrant, healthy independent sector and a strong democracy for the future.

IS members:

- **Build Their Knowledge** and understanding of the major trends and emerging issues facing the nonprofit sector.
- **Network** with the national leaders of nonprofits, foundations, corporate giving programs, and government—giving them access to a marketplace of ideas and connections.
- **Take Their Place at the Table** when the future of the nonprofit sector is debated—enabling their organization to have a greater impact and keep up with the pace of change.
- Magnify Their Influence on tax policy and public policy affecting nonprofit organizations and philanthropy.

INDEPENDENT SECTOR membership is open to foundations, corporations with giving programs, and nonprofit voluntary organizations with national and international interests and impact in philanthropy and voluntary action. The dues structure is designed to encourage participation of the maximum number of qualifying groups and to create a level playing field for grantmakers and grantseekers, both large and small. For national voluntary organizations, dues are 1/4 of 1 percent of the organization's salaries and benefits. For grantmaking organizations, dues are 1/8 of 1 percent of the organization's grants. The current maximum annual dues are \$12,500, and the minimum annual dues are \$300.



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Brian O'Connell
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Girls Incorporated

The Gleitsman Foundation

The Global Fund for Children

Global Fund for Women

Goodkids! Inc.*

Goodwill Industries International, Inc.

Edwin Gould Foundation for Children

William T. Grant Foundation

Grantmakers In Health

Grantmakers of Western Pennsylvania

Grants Management Associates

Greenwood Cultural Center*

Lucile & Robert H. Gries Charity Fund

Grotto Foundation

GuideStar-Philanthropic Research, Inc.

The George Gund Foundation

Alan Guttmacher Institute

H & R Block Foundation

Miriam and Peter Haas Fund

Walter and Elise Haas Fund

Evelyn and Walter Haas, Jr. Fund

Habitat for Humanity International

HalfthePlanet Foundation

Hallmark Corporate Foundation

HandKind Company

Mary W. Harriman Foundation

Harris Trust & Savings Bank

Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

The Edward W. Hazen Foundation

William Randolph Hearst Foundations

F. B. Heron Foundation

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

High/Scope Educational Research Foundation

Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities

Hispanic Federation of New York

Hispanic Policy Development Project

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Hispanics in Philanthropy

Hitachi Foundation

Hoblitzelle Foundation

Hogg Foundation for Mental Health

Hole In The Wall Gang Fund

The Hospital for Special Surgery, New York City

Hostelling International-American Youth Hostels

Houston Endowment Inc.

Hudson-Webber Foundation

Humanitarian Medical Relief Inc.*

Hubert H. Humphrey Institute/Public Affairs,

Philanthropy & the Nonprofit Sector

"I Have A Dream" Foundation

IBM International Foundation

IDC: Mobilizing Generations for Development

IMPACT II-The Teachers Network

Impact Online, Inc.

Indiana Grantmakers Alliance*

Institute for Democracy Studies

Institute for Global Ethics

Institute for Nonprofit Management, Portland State

University*

Institute for Nonprofit Organization Management,

University of San Francisco

Institute for Voluntary Organizations

Institute for Women's Policy Research

InterAction-American Council for Voluntary

International Action

Intermed International*

The International Alliance*

International Primate Protection League

International Service Agencies

International Society for Third Sector Research

International Youth Foundation

Iowa Nonprofit Resource Center, University of Iowa*

The James Irvine Foundation

Islamic Society of North America*

Ittleson Foundation

Japanese American National Museum

JCC Association of North America

JCPenney Company, Inc.

IM Foundation

Jobs for the Future

John Ben Snow Foundation

Johnson & Johnson

The Johnson Foundation

Christian A. Johnson Endeavor Foundation

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Joint Action in Community Service, Inc. (JACS)

Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

The Joyce Foundation

JPMorgan Chase Foundation

JSJ Foundation

Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc.

Junior Achievement

KaBOOM! Inc.

The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation

^{* =} joined in 2001 ** = 2002 new members to date

Kansas Health Foundation

Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation

W. K. Kellogg Foundation

Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern

University*

James S. Kemper Foundation

Kerr Foundation, Inc.

Charles F. Kettering Foundation

Kidney Cancer Association

Kids Voting USA*

The Esther A. and Joseph Klingenstein Fund

John S. and James L. Knight Foundation

Korean Association of Retired Persons*

The Kosciuszko Foundation, Inc.

KPMG Foundation

The Kresge Foundation

Samuel H. Kress Foundation

Albert Kunstadter Family Foundation

Land Trust Alliance, Inc.

Eugene M. Lang Foundation

Laurel Foundation

Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

LEAD—Pakistan*

LEAD USA Member Program*

Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP)

League of Women Voters of the United States

Liberty Day

Libraries for the Future

Library Media Project

Lilly Endowment, Inc.

Lincoln Filene Center, Tufts University

Link Research

Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc.

Local Initiatives Support Corporation

Los Alamos National Laboratory Foundation

Los Angeles Women's Foundation

Lucent Technologies Foundation

Lumina Foundation for Education*

Lutheran Brotherhood Foundation

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Make-A-Wish Foundation of America

The Management Center

Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations, Case

Western Reserve University

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation

John and Mary R. Markle Foundation

Maryland Association of Nonprofit Organizations

Mattel Children's Foundation

Mayo Foundation

Robert R. McCormick Tribune Foundation

McGregor Fund

McKesson Foundation

The McKnight Foundation

The Meadows Foundation

Medical Education for South African Blacks

Richard King Mellon Foundation

MEM Associates, Inc.

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

The John Merck Fund

Merrill Lynch & Co. Foundation, Inc.

Metropolitan Association for Philanthropy

Metropolitan Life Foundation

The Metropolitan Museum of Art

Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund

Eugene and Agnes E. Meyer Foundation

Michigan Nonprofit Association

Mid-Delta Workforce Alliance*

Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership, L.P.

Cookingham Institute of Public Affairs

The Minneapolis Foundation

Minnesota Council of Nonprofits

Minnesota Office of Citizenship & Volunteer Services

Mississippi Center for Nonprofits

MOBI—(My Own Business, Inc.)*

Morino Institute

Stewart R. Mott Charitable Trust

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation

Museum Trustee Association

Myositis Association of America

National Academy of Public Administration

National AIDS Fund

National Alliance for Choice in Giving

National Alliance of Breast Cancer Organizations

National Alliance of Business

National Alliance to End Homelessness

National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium

National Assembly of Health and Human Service

Organizations

National Assembly of State Arts Agencies (NASAA)

National Association for Bilingual Education

National Association for Visually Handicapped

National Association of Independent Colleges and

Universities

National Association of Independent Schools

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National Association of Latino Elected & Appointed

Officials Educational Fund

National Association of Private Schools for Exceptional

National Association of Schools of Art and Design

National Association of Schools of Music

National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and

Administration

National Association of Schools of Dance National Association of Schools of Theatre

National Association of Service & Conservation Corps (NASCC)

National Association of Student Personnel Administrators

National Associations in Colorado Springs

National Black College Alliance*

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

National Catholic Development Conference National Center for Appropriate Technology* The National Center for Family Philanthropy National Center for Learning Disabilities

The National Center on Nonprofit Enterprise

National Civic League

National Coalition for Homeless Veterans

National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy The National Conference for Community and Justice

National Congress of Parents and Teachers National Council for International Visitors

National Council for Research on Women

National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA

National Council of La Raza

National Council of Nonprofit Associations

National Council on Child Abuse & Family Violence

National Crime Prevention Council National Down Syndrome Society

National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE)

National Executive Service Corps

National FFA Foundation
National Health Council
National Health Foundation
National Hemophilia Foundation
National Home Library Foundation

National Hospice Foundation
National Humanities Alliance
National Medical Fellowships, Inc.
National Military Family Association
National Multiple Sclerosis Society

National Network for Youth National Parenting Association National Peace Corps Association National Press Foundation National Public Radio

National Puerto Rican Coalition, Inc. National Puerto Rican Forum, Inc

National Tree Trust

National Trust for Historic Preservation

National Urban Fellows, Inc. National Urban League, Inc. National Wildlife Federation

National Wildlife Refuge Association National Youth Leadership Council Native American Rights Fund Native Americans in Philanthropy Natural Resources Defense Council Natural Science Collections Alliance*

The Nature Conservancy NEC Foundation of America*

Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation

Nellie Mae Education Foundation

NetAid Foundation*

New Hampshire Charitable Foundation The New York Community Trust New York Life Foundation The New York Public Library

New York Regional Association of Grantmakers

Nicaraguan Development Center

NIKE Foundation*
Nokomis Foundation

Nonprofit & Public Management Center, Ford School of

Public Policy, University of Michigan Nonprofit Academic Centers Council

Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York Nonprofit Management Program, Milano Graduate

School of Management & Urban Policy

Nonprofit Television Programs, Inc. North Carolina Center for Nonprofits

The North Carolina Glaxo Smith Kline Foundation

Northern California Grantmakers

Northern Westchester Hospital Foundation

Northrop Grumman Corporation

NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund

Oakleaf Foundation

Ohio Association of Nonprofit Organizations

Ohio Grantmakers Forum

OIC of America

Olive Crest—Homes & Services for Abused Children

OMNI Youth Services

Open Society Institute—New York

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OPERA America Opera Roanoke* Oral Health America Outreach International

David and Lucile Packard Foundation

Park Foundation

Partnership for Prevention

Josephine Bay Paul and C. Michael Paul Foundation

Peninsula Community Foundation

William Penn Foundation

Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations*

People for the American Way Pettus Crowe Foundation Pew Charitable Trusts

Pfizer, Inc.

The Philanthropic Group

The Philanthropic Initiative, Inc.

Philanthropy & Nonprofit Sector Graduate Certificate

Program, Loyola University Philip Morris Companies Inc.

The Piton Foundation
The Pittsburgh Foundation
Points of Light Foundation
Population Resource Center
Premier Farnell Foundation
Presbyterian Health Foundation

Presidential Classroom Prevent Child Abuse America

Prudential Foundation Public Affairs Council Public Agenda Foundation

Public Allies, Inc.

Public Conversations Project Public Education Network Public Radio International

Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund

Puerto Rico Community Foundation*

QueensCare*

Radio and Television News Directors Foundation

Raytheon Company
Reader's Digest Foundation
Reading Is Fundamental, Inc.
Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic
Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation*

Region Nine Development Commission

Religion in American Life

Research! America

Retirement Research Foundation Charles H. Revson Foundation Sid W. Richardson Foundation Fannie E. Rippel Foundation

Rochester Area Community Foundation

Rockefeller Brothers Fund Rockefeller Family Fund Rockefeller Foundation

The Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors

Rocky Mountain Youth Corps

Rosenberg Foundation

Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section)*

S&H Greenpoints

Russell Sage Foundation

The Salvation Army National Headquarters

San Francisco Foundation Sara Lee Foundation Sarkeys Foundation Dr. Scholl Foundation

School Food Service Foundation Sears, Roebuck and Company The Seattle Foundation Shepherd's Centers of America Sherwin-Williams Company

Sherwin-Williams Company
The Sierra Club Foundation
Harry Singer Foundation
The Sister Fund

The Skillbuilders Fund Skillman Foundation Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Social Welfare Research Institute, Boston College

Society for Nonprofit Organizations Society for Values in Higher Education SOS Children's Village—USA, Inc.

South Carolina Association of Nonprofit Organizations South Carolina Center on Nonprofit and Grassroots

Leadership*

Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan

Southeastern Council of Foundations

Southern California Association for Philanthropy

Southern Education Foundation, Inc.

The Spencer Foundation

The St. Paul Companies, Inc. Foundation

The Starbucks Foundation

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Levi Strauss Foundation

Student Conservation Association The Studio Museum in Harlem Support Center of Washington

Surdna Foundation**
Synergos Institute

Taconic Foundation

Target Foundation

Texas Commission on Volunteerism and Community

Service

Theatre Communications Group

Third Sector New England

Three Guineas Fund

3M Foundation

Travelers Aid International

Trust for Public Land

The Union Institute

United Jewish Communities

United Leukodystrophy Foundation

United Methodist Higher Education Foundation

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

United Way of America

University of Pennsylvania Center for Community

Partnerships

Venture Philanthropy Partners, Inc.

Ventures in Education, Inc. (Ventures Scholars Program)

Verizon Foundation Volunteers of America VSA Arts Colorado The Wallace-Reader's Digest Funds

Izaak Walton League of America

The Washington Center for Internships

The Washington Council of Agencies

Washington Independent Writers Legal and Educational

Fund, Inc.*

Washington Mutual Bank

Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers

Weingart Foundation

Weyerhaeuser Family Foundation

Whirlpool Foundation

Mrs. Giles Whiting Foundation

Wildflowers Institute

William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund

Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International

Affairs, Princeton University

Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation

The Wireless Foundation Women's College Coalition

Women's Funding Network

Robert W. Woodruff Foundation

Woods Charitable Fund, Inc.

Woods Fund of Chicago

World Charity Network

World Neighbors

Xerox Corporation

YMCA of the USA

Young Audiences, Inc.

Youth Venture

YouthBuild U.S.A.

YWCA of the USA

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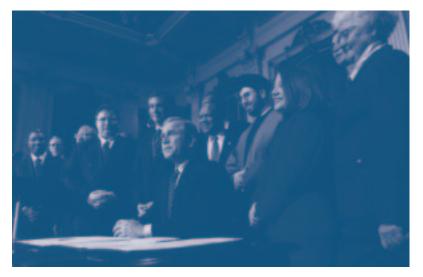


2001 IS Achievements



Highlights

Leading the Charge... in 2001 and Beyond





Sara E. Meléndez testifies before subcommittees of the U.S. House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee in support of charitable giving tax incentives.

IS President and CEO Sara E. Meléndez and leaders from religious groups across the country join President Bush as he announces the creation of the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, January 29, 2001.

The following report captures major highlights of INDEPENDENT SECTOR's achievements in 2001, the first year enacting our new strategic framework.

Goal #1: Shape Policy.

To develop and advance a legislative agenda that strengthens the work of our member organizations and the sector at large and increases incentives for giving and volunteering.

- Built support for legislation to encourage additional charitable giving by working closely with Congressional leaders, commissioning research to demonstrate the effect of various proposals on giving, and disseminating stories and information to the White House and other leaders. IS worked with Congressional leaders to introduce bills to extend the charitable deduction to nonitemizers and to encourage older Americans to give to charity from their Individual Retirement Accounts. By year's end a scaled-back provision had passed in the House and legislation in the Senate was pending. IS continues its work on this legislation.
- Served as an advocate for the diverse nonprofit and philanthropic community as President Bush announced the creation of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and proposed his faith-based and charitable giving legislation. IS played a leadership role in serving as resource for government officials, monitoring proposals, sharing analysis with the field, and acting as a source for media.
- Developed a framework for decision making on current and future tax proposals that affect charitable giving. IS convened a blue ribbon commission, the Task Force on Tax Policy, co-chaired



John Dilulio, then director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, greets Fred Grandy, former Congressman and IS senior advisor, during a member briefing at INDEPENDENT SECTOR in February.



Kathleen McCarthy, director of the Center for the Study of Philanthropy at the City University of New York and chair of Independent Sector's Research Committee, shares a new publication on *America's Religious*Congregations with the audience at the 2001 Spring Research Forum in March.

44% of adults—83.9 million people—
volunteered a total of 15.5 billion hours.

Source: Giving and Volunteering in the United States 2003

by John Marshall of the Kresge Foundation and John Seffrin of the American Cancer Society. The Task Force's work resulted in IS's "Guiding Principles for Public Policy on Charitable Giving."

■ Strengthened the network of national and state advocates for nonprofit sector issues through IS's joint project with the National Council of Nonprofit Associations. As part of this Building Capacity for Public Policy project, IS and NCNA launched GiveVoice.org, a network of state associations that use web and email communications to organize local nonprofit advocates to communicate with state and federal elected officials on important nonprofit issues, such as charitable giving, nonprofit advocacy rights, and funding. IS and NCNA also worked together to provide training and capacity-building grants to six state nonprofit associations, helping them to strengthen their policy work.

Goal #2: Identify Emerging Issues.

To focus on identifying and anticipating issues that directly affect the nonprofit community. Using our new and strengthened research capacity, identify trends, share new research knowledge, shape attitudes and practices, stake out a position, and mobilize our membership in a concerted, coherent response.

■ Provided insights into American charitable behavior by releasing key findings from *Giving and Volunteering in the United States* 2001. This comprehensive national study of more than 4,000 Americans is the major work in the field, and its results inform the work of nonprofits, fundraisers, volunteer managers, religious congregations, Congressional and White House officials, researchers, and the



(From left) Keila and John Barros of the Dudley Street
Neighborhood Initiative, winners of the 2001 Leadership
IS Award, join presenter Sanford Cloud, Jr., of the National
Conference for Community and Justice, and Anne Dowling
of ChevronTexaco Corp., sponsor of the award.



Annual Conference
Planning Committee
Chair Patricia L. Willis
of the BellSouth
Corporation welcomes
participants to her
home city of Atlanta
for the 2001 INDEPENDENT
SECTOR Annual Conference.



Leslie Lenkowsky, newly appointed CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service, speaks with INDEPENDENT SECTOR members about the organization's evolution and future at a briefing in December.

63% of adults volunteer when asked.

Source: Giving and Volunteering in the United States 2001

media. The study was instrumental in the development of President Bush's call to national service and volunteerism delivered in his 2002 State of the Union speech. IS also delved deeper into special topics around giving and volunteering, distributing user-friendly publications such as America's Informal Volunteers: Civic Participation Comes in Many Forms, America's Family Volunteers: Civic Participation Is a Family Matter, and Hispanic Giving and Volunteering.

- Provided nonprofit organizations with valuable insights into the outpouring of giving in response to the September 11 terrorist attacks and the likely effects for the rest of the year by commissioning a national survey by Wirthlin Worldwide. The survey results earned coverage in the New York Times, Chronicle of Philanthropy, Cox newspapers, the Washington Times, the Religion News Service, and other outlets.
- Following the September 11 terrorist attacks on America, IS led members and others to rededicate their commitment to embracing diversity and addressing injustice in a joint statement, "Upholding Our Values," published in The Chronicle of Philanthropy and The NonProfit Times. IS placed ads in the New York Times and Roll Call to salute the nonprofit sector and remind the American people and Congress about its work and its value.
- Increased knowledge about the impact of information technology on nonprofit organizations by convening more than 350 researchers and experts for the 2001 Spring Research Forum around the theme "The Impact of Information Technology on Civil Society: How Will Online Innovation, Philanthropy, and Volunteerism Serve the Common Good?" IS also provided insights into how



John P. Morgridge, chairman of Cisco Systems, Inc., explores the concept "Good Giving Is Good Business" with attendees at the 2001 Annual Conference.



(From left) Linda Tarr-Whelan of Tarr-Whelan Associates, moderator; Sayyid Syeed of the Islamic Society of North America; Jim Wallis, editor-in-chief of Sojourners magazine and convener of Call to Renewal; Diana Aviv of United Jewish Communities; Reverend Robert M. Franklin of the Interdenominational Theological Center; and Leslie Lenkowsky of the Corporation for National and Community Service formed the panel for the closing plenary of the 2001 INDEPENDENT SECTOR Annual Conference, "Moving Forward in a Changed World."

95% of households give when asked.

Source: Giving and Volunteering in the United States 2001

nonprofits use technology by working with Cisco Systems, Inc., to commission a Princeton Survey Research Associates study, "Wired, Willing, and Ready: Nonprofit Human Service Organizations' Adoption of Information Technology."

- Promoted volunteering worldwide during the United Nations' International Year of Volunteers by producing *Measuring Volunteering: A Practical Toolkit* and distributing it in four languages.
- Provided resources to help nonprofits and companies build effective partnerships that enhance both mission and business goals—and serve to build public trust in the nonprofit sector as a whole—through IS's Corporate-Nonprofit Partnership Initiative and its online resource center, Mission and Market.
- Encouraged nonprofit organizations to focus on results by publishing Outcome Measurement in Nonprofit Organizations: Current Practices and Recommendations, by Urban Institute researchers Harry Hatry, Elaine Morley, and Elisa Vinson.
- Provided insights into Americans' attitudes toward nonprofit organizations through our publication *Taking The Pulse of Americans' Attitudes Toward Charities*. This short report in the *Facts and Findings* series indicated that a rising number of Americans believe charities are more effective in providing services now than in the past, but also identified areas of concern for nonprofits in maintaining and building public trust.



Ray Suarez of the
NewsHour with Jim
Lehrer moderates a panel
discussion on "Building
Community in America
and Around the World:
Renewed Engagement
or Fraying Ties?" at the
IS Annual Conference.



INDEPENDENT SECTOR announces the formation of the Coalition to Help America Give— a group dedicated to urging Congress to encourage low- and middle-income Americans to give to charities by extending the charitable contributions deduction to all taxpayers— in April of 2001. Present at the launch on Capitol Hill are Pat Read, INDEPENDENT SECTOR; Thomas Lewis, the Fishing School; John Seffrin, American Cancer Society; Marsha Johnson Evans, Girl Scouts of the USA; William Bryant, American Heart Association; and Fred Hesketh, volunteer.

89% of American households contribute to charity.

Source: Giving and Volunteering in the United States 2003

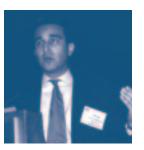
Goal #3: Strengthen the Meeting Ground.

To strengthen our unique capacity to bring together nonprofit organizations, foundations, and corporations around critical issues facing our community. To use our focus on new policy development and emerging issues to convene our members, create new knowledge, and share it widely.

- Provided a forum for rich dialogue and exchange of ideas at the 22nd IS Annual Conference in Atlanta, *Let Every Voice Be Heard—The Responsibility of Leadership*. The IS conference served as the first national gathering for the leadership of the sector to address the new environment for our work following the September 11 terrorist attacks.
- Advanced the debate surrounding the proposed expansion of "charitable choice" at the Summit on Government Funding of Social Services Provided by Religious Congregations, co-hosted with the Aspen Institute's Nonprofit Sector Research Fund. While there was disagreement over some aspects of President Bush's faith-based proposals, leaders from religious and nonprofit organizations agreed that overcoming the serious challenges facing America's communities would require new resources and new partnerships among government, nonprofit service providers, and faith-based communities.
- Facilitated dialogue between nonprofit leaders and Bush Administration officials through briefings with John Dilulio, the first director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, and Leslie Lenkowsky, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service.



The 2001 John W. Gardner Leadership Award honoree was Rebecca L. Adamson, founder and president of the First Nations Development Institute. Among those attending the award presentation at the IS Annual Conference in Atlanta are (from left) Louis Smith of the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, Gabriella Morris of the Prudential Foundation, Rebecca Adamson, Peter Goldberg of the Alliance for Children and Families, Sara E. Meléndez of Independent Sector, Robert Frehse of the William Randolph Hearst Foundations, Jill Darrow of the Lloyd A. Fry Foundation, and John Seffrin of the American Cancer Society.



Vinay Bhagat of Convio speaks to 2001 Spring Research Forum participants about "Creating Vibrant Spaces for Civil Society Organizations on the Internet After e-Commerce."

70% of Americans reported some form of charitable involvement in response to September 11.

Source: A Survey of Charitable Giving After September 11th

Goals #4 and #5: Grow Our Membership and Broaden Our Reach.

To deepen the relationship with our members and reach out to create new partnerships, ensuring that the IS network represents the breadth and depth of the sector.

- Recruited 47 new corporate, foundation, and nonprofit members, adding new perspectives and geographical diversity to our coalition.
- Collaborated with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, along with the Council on Foundations and National Endowment for the Humanities, to co-host the Summit on Three-Sector Partnerships. The two-day event brought a diverse group of philanthropic, business, and government leaders together at the U.S. Chamber headquarters for an exploration of partnership building.
- Encouraged the national rollout of the Learning to Give Initiative, launched by the Council of Michigan Foundations, to teach K-12 students about philanthropy.
- Encouraged and enabled more Americans to give and volunteer through our partnership with Network for Good, a newly launched comprehensive e-philanthropy portal that helps charities expand their reach to new audiences while strengthening the public's involvement in civil society. Network for Good was founded by the AOL Time Warner Foundation and AOL, Inc., the Cisco Systems Foundation and Cisco Systems, Inc., and Yahoo! Inc., in partnership with over 20 nonprofit foundations and associations.



At the Annual Conference Host Event at the World of Coca-Cola Museum, attendees had the opportunity to complete volunteer projects, such as assembling tricycles for local children.



In June of 2001, in cooperation with the Aspen Institute, INDEPENDENT SECTOR convened a Summit on Government Funding of Social Services Provided by Religious Congregations at the National Press Club. Melissa Rogers of the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life looks on as Nancy Wisdo of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops addresses the gathering.

The dollar value of volunteer time is \$16.05 per hour.

INDEPENDENT SECTOR Online

Direct your browser to www.IndependentSector.org, and you'll find the most comprehensive resource on the web for the nonprofit and philanthropic community. The site offers visitors the opportunity to:

- Access a wealth of resources on giving and volunteering trends, facts and figures about the nonprofit sector, updates on proposed legislation, and much more;
- Access members-only services, such as posting job openings and calendar events;
- Stay current on the latest legislative, tax, and other public policy issues;
- Use NonProfit Pathfinder, IS's online gateway to civil society research and innovations, profiling

more than 100 academic research centers, research publications, and online bibliographies;

- Speak out on key issues affecting the nonprofit sector with GiveVoice.org, a grassroots advocacy tool created by IS and the National Council of Nonprofit Associations;
- View transcripts from key speeches of the IS Annual Conference, member briefings, and other events;
- Link to the resources of INDEPENDENT SECTOR members; and
- Browse Independent Sector publications—or download many for free directly from the website.



Financial Statements

Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements

To the Board of Directors
INDEPENDENT SECTOR

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of INDEPENDENT SECTOR as of December 31, 2001, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of INDEPENDENT SECTOR's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of INDEPENDENT SECTOR as of December 31, 2000, were audited by other auditors whose report, dated March 21, 2001, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of INDEPENDENT SECTOR at December 31, 2001, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Washington, DC February 20, 2002

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Statements of Financial Position

	December 31,		
	2001	2000	
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 581,132	\$ 1,407,387	
Accrued interest receivable	56,133	70,340	
Grants and accounts receivable, current portion (Note E)	1,773,179	501,689	
Short term investments (Note B)	3,442,136	4,830,453	
Total current assets	5,852,580	6,809,869	
Long-term investments (Note B)	4,181,253	3,480,520	
Grants and accounts receivable, less current portion (Note E)	227,386	1,170,669	
Property and equipment, net (Note C)	291,644	360,276	
Supplemental executive retirement plan (Note F)	175,518	264,070	
Other assets	70,884	41,932	
	4,946,685	5,317,467	
Total assets	\$10,799,265	\$12,127,336	
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued expense	\$ 516,262	\$ 804,711	
Deferred revenue	23,000	49,853	
Total current liabilities	539,262	854,564	
Supplemental executive retirement plan (Note F)	175,518	264,070	
Total liabilities	714,780	1,118,634	
Net assets			
Unrestricted:			
Undesignated	1,467,804	1,370,755	
Designated (Note D)	3,729,659	4,069,171	
Temporarily restricted (Note E)	4,887,022	5,568,776	
Total net assets	10,084,485	11,008,702	
Commitments (Note G)	-	-	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$10,799,265	\$12,127,336	

Certain 2000 amounts have been reclassified for comparative purposes. See notes to financial statements.

Statements of Activities

	Year ended December 31, 2001			
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	
Revenue				
Grants and contributions	\$ 950,849	\$ 3,055,802	\$ 4,006,651	
Membership dues	2,320,874		2,320,874	
Conference fees and sponsorships	582,313		582,313	
Interest and dividend income (Note B)	348,785		348,785	
Publication sales and other	67,561		67,561	
Net assets released from restrictions	3,264,939	(3,264,939)	-	
Total revenue	7,535,321	(209,137)	7,326,184	
Expenses				
Program services:				
Public affairs	2,524,625		2,524,625	
Research	1,850,175		1,850,175	
Communication among members/				
Meeting ground	1,407,215		1,407,215	
Strategic outreach	242,250		242,250	
Leadership and management	-		-	
Total program services	6,024,265		6,024,265	
Supporting services				
General and administrative	616,225		616,225	
Membership development	467,913		467,913	
Fundraising	329,869		329,869	
Total supporting services	1,414,007		1,414,007	
Total expense	7,438,272		7,438,272	
Change in unrestricted net assets before				
net loss on investments and transfer of program	97,049	(209,137)	(112,088)	
Net loss on investments (Note B)	(339,512)		(339,512)	
Transfer of program (Note E)		(472,617)	(472,617)	
Change in net assets	(242,463)	(681,754)	(924,217)	
Net assets, beginning of year	5,439,926	5,568,776	11,008,702	
Net assets, end of year	\$5,197,463	\$4,887,022	\$ <u>10,084,485</u>	

Certain 2000 amounts have been reclassified for comparative purposes. See notes to financial statements.

Year ended D	ecember	31	, 2000
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Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
\$ 216,100	\$ 3,394,740	\$ 3,610,840
2,301,642	Ψ 3,331,710	2,301,642
680,157		680,157
496,819		496,819
100,387		100,387
3,851,515	(3,851,515)	-
7,646,620	(456,775)	7,189,845
2,785,506		2,785,506
1,557,760		1,557,760
1,174,679		1,174,679
836,322		836,322
6,354,267		6,354,267
714,191		714,191
352,717		352,717
183,269		183,269
1,250,177		1,250,177
7,604,444		7,604,444
42,176	(456,775)	(414,599)
(312,131)		(312,131)
(269,955)	(456,775)	(726,730)
5,709,881	6,025,551	11,735,432
\$5,439,926	\$5,568,776	\$11,008,702

Statements of Cash Flows

	Year ended December 31,	
	2001	2000
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (924,217)	\$ (726,730)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net		
cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	110,203	105,253
Net loss on investments	339,512	312,131
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accrued interest receivable	14,207	51,521
Grants and dues receivable	(328,207)	145,787
Other assets	(28,952)	10,994
Accounts payable and accrued expense	(288,449)	306,211
Deferred revenue	(26,853)	14,982
Total adjustments	(208,539)	946,879
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(1,132,756)	220,149
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Sale (Purchase) of investments, net	348,072	(310,570)
Purchase of property and equipment, net	(41,571)	(135,197)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	306,501	(445,767)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(826,255)	(225,618)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	1,407,387	1,633,005
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 581,132	\$1,407,387

Certain 2000 amounts have been reclassified for comparative purposes. See notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note A - Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization: Independent Sector is a nonprofit, nonpartisan coalition of more than 700 national organizations, foundations, and corporate philanthropy programs, collectively representing tens of thousands of charitable groups in every state across the nation. Its mission is to promote, strengthen, and advance the nonprofit and philanthropic community to foster private initiative for the public good. Independent Sector works to promote effective policies and a healthy legislative environment to help not-for-profit initiative thrive; research and analyze the scope of the nonprofit sector and trends in giving and volunteering; strengthen accountability among nonprofit organizations; champion effective collaboration among the business, government, and nonprofit sectors; communicate the value and successes of the American tradition of giving and volunteering; and provide the "meeting ground" for the leadership of the philanthropic and nonprofit sector to address emerging trends affecting the sector.

Income tax status: Independent Sector is exempt from income taxes on its exempt activities under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Independent Sector is not a private foundation since it meets the requirements of Section 509(a)(2).

Basis of accounting: INDEPENDENT SECTOR prepares its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting. Consequently, revenue is recognized when earned and expense when the obligation is incurred.

Use of estimates: Preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from estimates.

Cash and cash equivalents: For financial statement purposes, all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are considered to be cash equivalents.

Net assets: INDEPENDENT SECTOR has established the following unrestricted net asset categories:

- Undesignated This fund is used for the general operations of INDEPENDENT SECTOR.
- **Designated** These funds have been appropriated by the Board of Directors of INDEPENDENT SECTOR for designated programs and consist of the following:

Reserve and Program Contingency Fund — Fund was established to provide for the stability for Independent Sector over the long term.

Public Policy Strategic Reserve Fund – Fund was established to support future public policy initiatives as they arise.

Grants and Contributions: Grants are recorded when INDEPENDENT SECTOR is notified of them. Unrestricted grants are recognized as unrestricted revenue in the period designated by the donors. Temporarily restricted grants are recorded as temporarily restricted revenue when received and released from program and time restrictions as expenditures are incurred for the restricted purposes or time restrictions have expired. INDEPENDENT SECTOR has adopted a policy of implying time restrictions on long-lived assets acquired with temporarily restricted grants. Time restrictions will expire as depreciation related to the long-lived assets is expensed.

Functional allocation of expense: The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities.

Note B - Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value and consist of the following at December 31:

	2	2001		000
<u></u>	Cost	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value
Index stock mutual funds	\$ 3,773,600	\$ 3,141,008	\$ 3,715,090	\$ 3,480,453
U S Agency and similar	1,653,852	1,697,273	4,795,437	4,830,520
Mortgage-backed securities	1,108,969	1,130,824	-	-
Corporate bonds	822,774	821,697	-	-
Asset-backed securities	830,892	832,587	<u>-</u> _	<u> </u>
Total investments	\$8,190,087	\$7,623,389	\$8,510,527	\$8,310,973

The following is a summary of investment revenue for the years ended December 31:

	2001	2000
Interest and dividends	\$348,785	\$ 496,819
Net realized and unrealized losses	$\frac{(339,512)}{\$9,273}$	$\frac{(312,131)}{\$184,688}$

Note C - Property and Equipment

Acquisitions of property and equipment of more than \$500 are capitalized at cost. Depreciation and amortization are provided using the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets (3-10 years). Property and equipment consist of the following at December 31:

	2001	2000
Furniture and equipment	\$ 285,415	\$ 265,924
Computer equipment and software	493,390	475,537
Leasehold improvements	70,22	70,227
	849,032	811,688
Less accumulated depreciation		
and amortization	(557,388)	(451,412)
	\$291,644	\$360,276

Note D - Designated Net Assets

Designated net assets consist of the following at December 31:

	2001	2000
Reserve and program contingency	\$2,979,659	\$3,319,171
Public policy strategic reserve	750,000	750,000
	\$3,729,659	\$4,069,171

Note E – Temporarily Restricted Net Assets

Temporarily restricted net assets consist of the following:

	Balance at		Amounts		Balance at
	December 31,	New	Released	Transfer	December 31,
Projects	2000	Commitments	or Expired	of Program	2001
Gardner Award	\$ 45,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 30,000	\$	\$ 90,000
Salute to Volunteers	82,281				82,281
Public Policy Initiative	657,041		270,640		386,401
Organizational Leadership Award	90,000		30,000		60,000
Corporate-Nonprofit Partnerships	73,960		2,509		71,451
Research	35,113	1,850,000	991,286		893,827
Charity Lobbying in the					
Public Interest	647,124		174,507	(472,617)	-
Public Policy Advocacy		13,000	12,848		152
Tax Issues	95,703		95,703		-
Leadership	40,321		16,850		23,471
Capacity Building	44,788		19,411		25,377
BCPP-Public Policy	947,861		571,185		376,676
Total Projects	2,759,192	1,938,000	2,214,939	(472,617)	2,009,636
Time-restricted grants	2,850,000	1,100,000	1,050,000		2,900,000
Total grants and contributions	5,609,192	3,038,000	3,264,939	(472,617)	4,909,636
Less: Present Value Discount	(40,416)	17,802			(22,614)
Net Present Value	\$5,568,776	\$3,055,802	\$3,264,939	\$(472,617)	\$4,887,022

During the year ended December 31, 2001, Charity Lobbying in the Public Interest separated from Independent Sector and set up its own exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In accordance with donor restrictions, the net asset balance of \$472,617 was transferred to the new organization. Independent Sector is no longer the reporting or fiscal agent for Charity Lobbying in the Public Interest.

Included in grants and accounts receivable is \$872,722 of temporarily restricted project funds and \$1,100,000 of time-restricted grants, which will be collected as follows:

Restricted project funds		
2002	\$	772,722
2003		100,000
		872,722
Time-restricted grants		
2002		1,100,000
Total grants		1,972,722
Less: present value discount		(22,614)
	\$1	,950,108

Note F - Retirement Plans

Defined contribution retirement plan:

All full-time employees of INDEPENDENT SECTOR who have reached the age of 21 years and have completed a minimum of one year of service participate in an employee retirement plan administered by Teachers' Insurance Annuity Association and College Retirement Equities Fund. The plan is a noncontributory defined contribution plan whereby an amount equal to fifteen percent of a participant's salary is funded by INDEPENDENT SECTOR and applied as a premium on retirement annuity contracts owned by the participants. Employer contributions for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, were \$276,156 and \$296,360, respectively.

Supplemental executive retirement plan:

Plan offers certain of INDEPENDENT SECTOR's executives or highly compensated employees an opportunity to defer compensation pursuant to section 457(f) of the Code to supplement such employees' retirement benefits under the employer's ERISA qualified retirement plan and other retirement programs.

Note G - Commitment

INDEPENDENT SECTOR leases office space in Washington, D.C., under an agreement that expires in January 2009. The remaining non-cancelable future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,		Total
2002	\$	324,794
2003		324,794
2004		352,436
2005		352,436
2006		352,436
2007-09		704,869
	\$ 3	2,411,765

Independent Auditor's Report on Additional Information

To the Board of Directors
INDEPENDENT SECTOR

Our report on our audit of the basic financial statements of INDEPENDENT SECTOR as of and for the year ended December 31, 2001 appears on page 34. The audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The additional information presented on page 44 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Tate & Tryon Washington, DC

February 20, 2002

Schedule of Functional Expenses

Year Ended December 31, 2001 with Comparative Totals for 2000

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An	Communication nong Members/ leeting Ground	Public Affairs	Strategic Outreach	Research	Subtotal		
Employee costs	\$ 580,511	\$ 856,394	\$ 181,087	\$ 503,400	\$ 2,121,392		
Professional/consultants	362,074	803,955	2,403	978,445	2,146,877		
Printing/reproduction	17,623	77,336	1,756	54,153	150,868		
Travel/meetings	296,984	70,847	13,772	146,979	528,582		
Occupancy	51,735	92,270	20,364	92,671	257,040		
Office supplies/expenses	19,559	28,120	3,500	15,616	66,795		
Postage/delivery	18,618	44,429	4,376	13,392	80,815		
Annual conference	-	-	-	-	-		
Training/subscriptions	4,402	44,584	987	4,369	54,342		
Grants and contributions	10,000	453,472	-	3,000	466,472		
Depreciation and amortization	n 21,547	28,290	6,734	19,442	76,013		
Telephone	16,909	21,668	4,421	13,169	56,167		
Other	7,253	3,260	2,850	5,539	18,902		
Total expense	\$1,407,215	\$2,524,625	\$242,250	\$1,850,175	\$6,024,265		
Percentage of Total Expenses 2001 80.99%							
Percentage of Total Expen	83.56%						

Supporting Services TOTAL

General and Administrative	Membership Development	Fundraising	Subtotal	2001	2000
Administrative	<u> </u>	T directioning		2001	2000
\$ 399,467	\$ 296,989	\$ 226,486	\$ 922,942	\$ 3,044,334	\$ 3,478,961
46,907	45,359	54,895	147,161	2,294,038	1,473,092
3,726	9,702	1,099	14,527	165,395	248,506
26,117	33,361	6,857	66,335	594,917	474,202
53,384	39,074	16,932	109,390	366,430	367,671
13,528	7,205	4,256	24,989	91,784	138,857
11,431	9,288	4,863	25,582	106,397	122,898
-	-	-	-	-	442,568
7,815	7,263	-	15,078	69,420	-
2,000	-	-	2,000	468,472	588,137
14,791	10,960	8,446	34,197	110,210	105,253
9,659	7,219	5,475	22,353	78,520	85,246
27,400	1,493	560	29,453	48,355	79,053
\$616,225	\$467,913	\$329,869	\$1,414,007	\$7,438,272	\$7,604,444
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			19.01%	100%	
			16.44%	100%	

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In Memoriam:

Darryl L. Barnes

On January 24, 2002, INDEPENDENT SECTOR lost both a cornerstone of its work and an inspiration to its staff: Darryl L. Barnes, Sr., IS director of Human Resources and Administration, passed away after a long battle with cancer.

A 22-year veteran of INDEPENDENT SECTOR, Darryl worked his way up through the ranks of the organization, always exhibiting an exemplary sense of fairness and equality. As director of Human Resources and Administration, Darryl was charged with staff recruitment, training, employee communications, and employee relations activities. He was also responsible for employee performance evaluations, providing support to supervisors and managers, and serving as an employee relations representative. From 1979 to 1994, Darryl was an executive assistant in various program areas. From 1994 to 1998 he was assistant director of Administration/Annual Meeting. In 1998 he took on the duties of director of Human Resources and Administration.

We are grateful for the opportunity to have known Darryl as a colleague and as a friend. In recognition of his many contributions to INDEPENDENT SECTOR, we have named both our staff room and the annual staff volunteer day in his honor.

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