Donations to charitable causes reached an estimated $427.71 billion in 2018, a .7% increase over 2017 numbers, adjusted for inflation.

- Giving from individuals: 68% $292.09B
- Giving through bequests: 9% $39.71B
- Giving from foundations: 18% $75.86B
  (Represents independent, operating and community foundations)
- Giving from corporations: 5% $20.05B

**GIVING BY SUBSECTOR:**

- Religion: 29%
- Education: 14%
- Human Services: 12%
- Foundations: 12%
- Health: 10%
- Public-Society Benefit: 7%
- International Affairs: 5%
- Arts/Culture/Humanities: 5%
- Environment/Animals: 3%
- Foundation grants to individuals: 2%
- Unallocated: 1%

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