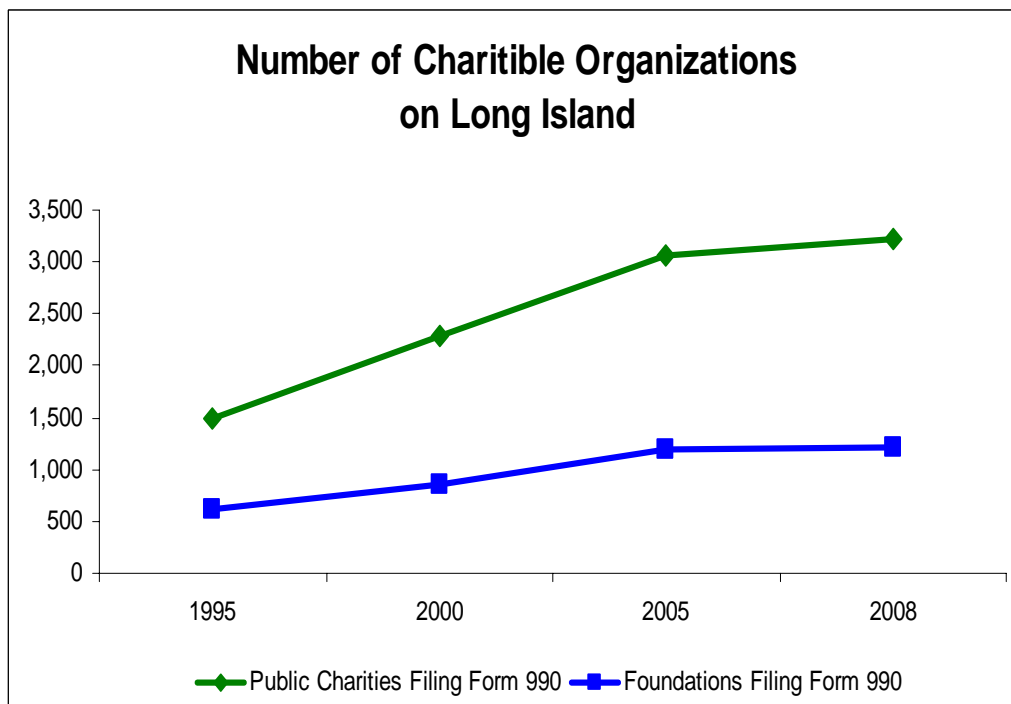




Indicator: Growth of Charitable Organizations on Long Island

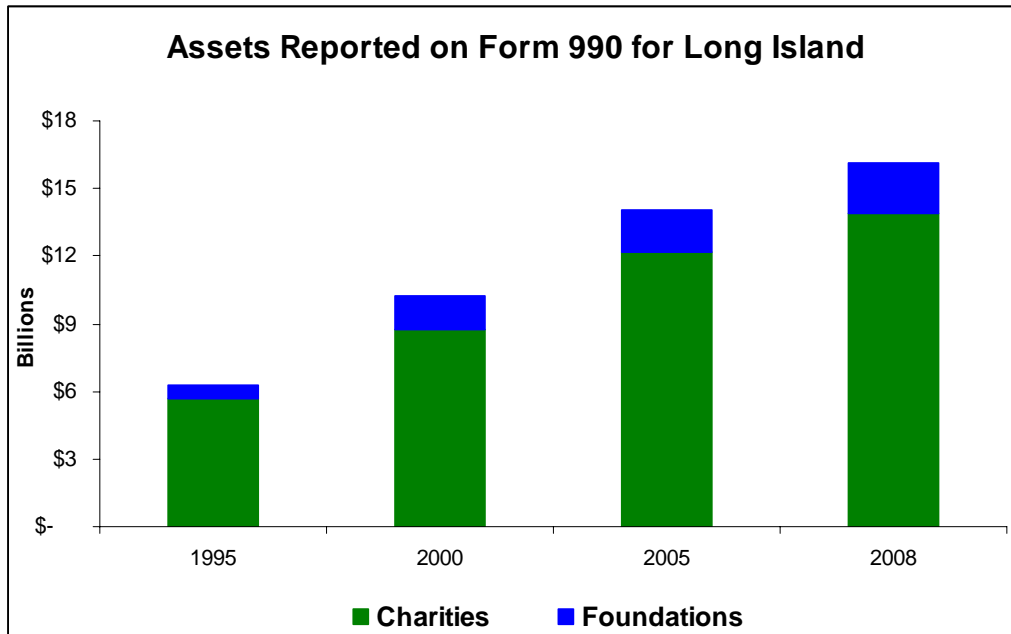
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Data Source: National Center for Charitable Statistics,
<http://nccsdataweb.urban.org/tablewiz/form.php?st=NY>



Why is this important?

Non-profit institutions are important to the communities they serve. They provide funding for local organizations to maintain and improve the well-being of their communities, as well as provide a safety-net for the region. By tracking the growth of these organizations as well as their total assets, we are able to measure the role that charitable organizations play in the community.



How are we doing?

Between 1995 and 2000 there was a tremendous growth in the number of charitable organizations across Long Island – 52% more public charities and 41% more foundations were created in these five years. The period for this growth matches Long Island’s economic expansion. Associated with this growth in the number of not-for-profits, assets increased 63%. However, as the economy faltered in the early 2000’s, so did the continued expansion of organizations in the charitable field. In terms of the number of organizations, growth slowed to about 35% for both public charities and foundations; assets increased 37%.

In the past three years, as Long Island’s economy has seen a significant drop in GDP, the growth rate for public charities and foundations has decreased to single-digits. Asset growth was 15%.

Of the 4,447 public charities functioning on Long Island, 24% are related to the arts. Details on the other charities are not available.