

Charitable Giving

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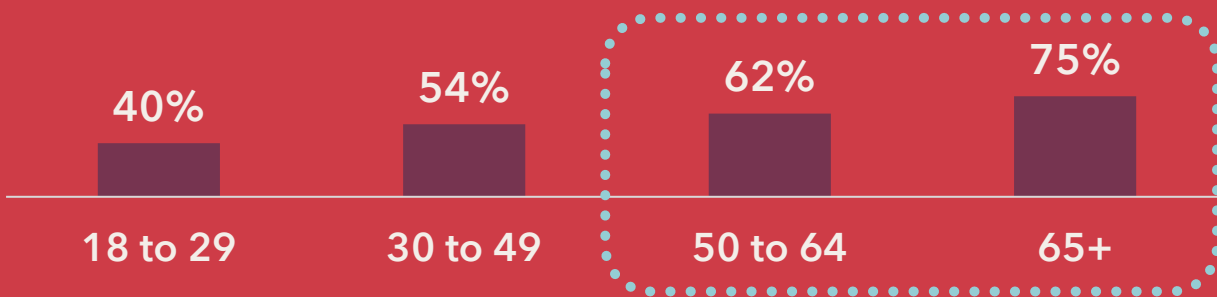



Key Takeaways

Over half U.S. adults made a charitable contribution in the past twelve months. Of this group, the majority are likely to make more donations before the end of the year. Most donors expect their 2023 charitable giving to be about the same or more than last year.




58% of U.S. adults have made a charitable contribution to a nonprofit or religious organization in the past twelve months, a group more likely to include older adults:



 Those with a college degree or higher (74% vs. 58% some college and 43% high school or less)

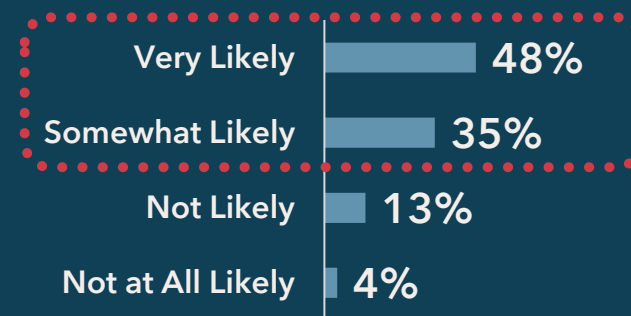
 Married adults (66% vs. 49% not married)

 Homeowners (66% vs. 38% renters)

Higher income households

72% of HHs with \$75K+ and 59% of HHs with \$50K to \$74.9K in income **VS.** 47% of those with \$25K to \$49.9K and 41% of those with under \$25K in household income.

Among those who have already made a charitable contribution in the past twelve months, 83% are likely to make more donations before the end of the year. **This group includes:**

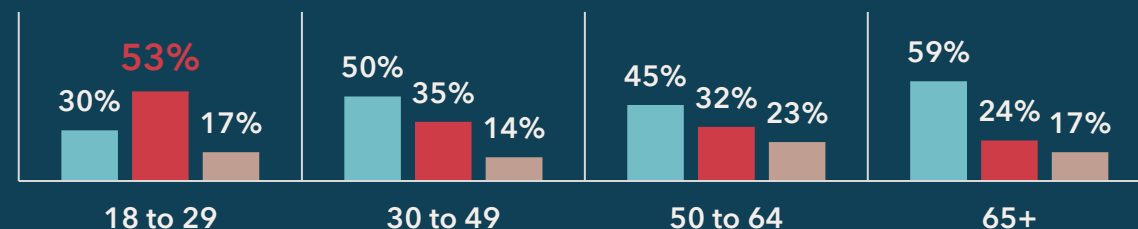


86%
Married
Adults

79%
Non-
married
Adults

Eight in ten donors expect their 2023 charitable giving to be the same as (49%) or more than (34%) than last year. One in six (18%) will donate less than last year.

Gen Z is most likely to donate more compared to last year.



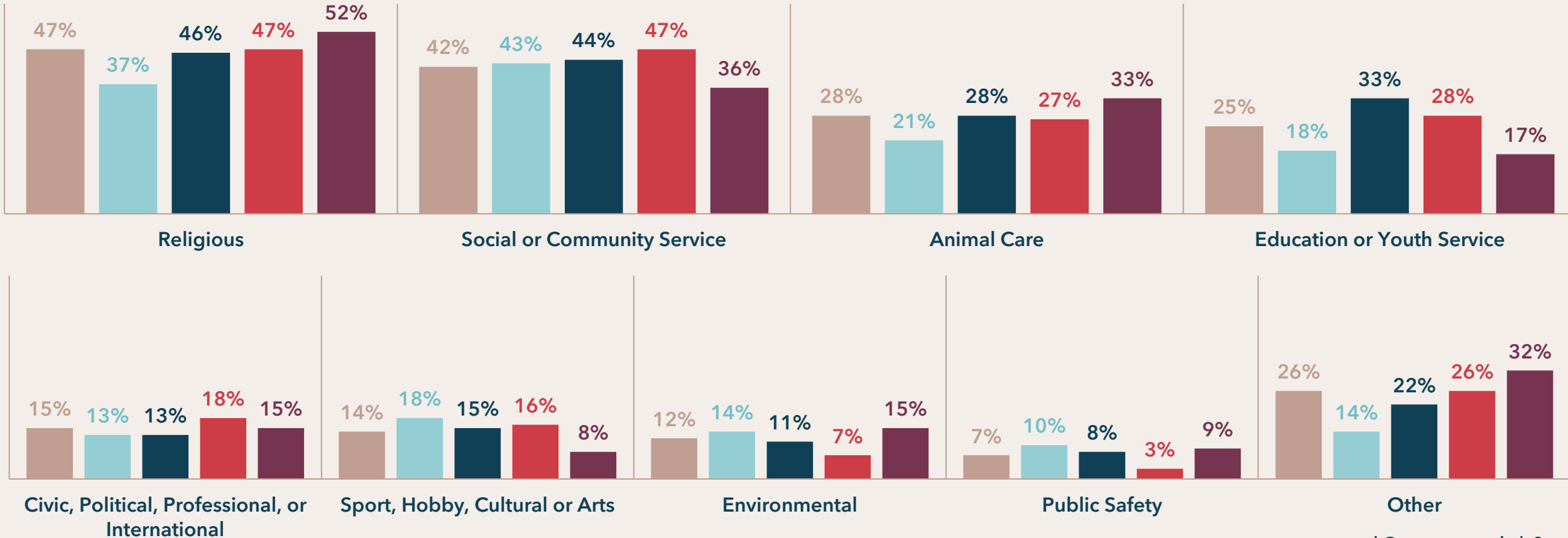
The most common organizations donors have contributed include religious, social or community service, education or youth service, and animal care organizations. While religious organizations are supported by the largest proportion of adults across generations, support for these organizations increases with age. Interestingly, just 7% of donors supported public safety organizations with a charitable contribution to an organization working on this issue.



Type of Organization Receiving Donations, by Age

Base: Adults Who Made a Charitable Contribution in the Past 12 Months

■ Total (n=623) ■ 18 to 29 (n=79) ■ 30 to 49 (n=214) ■ 50 to 64 (n=167) ■ 65+ (n=170)



Among those that made a charitable donation in 2023, **half**

prefer to donate to a cause at the local level.

Preference of Donation Location



52%
Local



5%
National



4%
Regional



2%
International



37% of donors say the donation location **does not matter.**

methodology

Interviews for this study were conducted on the SSRS Opinion Panel Omnibus from December 1 - 4, 2023, among a nationally representative sample of 1,005 respondents aged 18 and older. The margin of error for total respondents is +/-3.7 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. The design effect is 1.40.

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