

Mission

The North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations' (NDANO) mission is that our member organizations will have the resources and support to effectively fulfill their missions.

Strategic Goals

1. Develop and implement a membership recruitment and retention program.
2. Secure NDANO's future through financial stability.
3. Develop a spoke and wheel concept to connect organizations interested in nonprofits and increase joint networking and partnership opportunities.
4. Increase the effectiveness of the North Dakota nonprofit sector by providing valuable benefits and resources to NDANO members.
5. Strengthen and mobilize the nonprofit sector's public policy voice in North Dakota and nationally.
6. Advance best practices for mission and governance.

Four Core Service Areas

- Public policy and advocacy
- Professional development, training and education
- Communication, information and research
- Cost-saving programs

Public Policy and Advocacy

In 2007, NDANO:

- Tracked legislation impacting the North Dakota nonprofit sector during the 60th Legislative Assembly and provided weekly e-updates to members.
- Hosted advocacy training for nonprofits, presented by a training fellow from the Center for Lobbying in the Public Interest (CLPI), and state legislator luncheon forums in Grand Forks and Minot.
- Presented an advocacy event with the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits in Fargo-Moorhead.
- Connected North Dakota nonprofits to national issues through membership in the National Council of Nonprofit Associations (NCNA).
- Represented North Dakota nonprofits in the Nonprofit Congress national initiative.

Professional Development, Training and Education

In 2007, NDANO:

- Convened nonprofit leaders at Brown Bag meetings hosted by local nonprofits in Bismarck, Dickinson, Jamestown, Valley City and Wahpeton to network and discuss hot topics facing the North Dakota nonprofit sector.
- Hosted the annual conference in Fargo in partnership with the North Dakota Area Association of Fundraising Professionals (NDAAFP) and presented its annual leadership and innovation awards.
- Continued strategic training partnership with NDAAFP.

Communication, Information and Research

In 2007, NDANO:

- Published the monthly *Nonprofit Network* newsletter.
- Redesigned the website to enhance navigation and information.
- Began development of an enhanced database of North Dakota nonprofits to advance networking and advocacy.
- Provided technical assistance and referrals to members.

Cost-Saving Programs

In 2007, NDANO:

- Added new cost-saving programs for members: retirement plans through Security Benefit; Auto-Owners Insurance through the Bain Agency; computer hardware through Midwestern Higher Education Compact; subscriptions and training through Idealware, Nonprofit Technology Network and PR Newswire; and prescriptions through SunRx.
- Continued existing discount programs for members: directors and officers liability insurance through Monitor Liability Managers Inc. and the Bain Agency; unemployment savings program through First Nonprofit; audio and web conferencing through ReadyTalk; financial services through Bremer; subscriptions through Fieldstone Alliance; supplemental dental and vision insurance and long-term care plans through Noridian Insurance Services; and office products through Staples Business Advantage.

Membership

In 2007, NDANO:

- Increased nonprofit membership by 21 percent to 117 members strong.
- Created an enhanced associate membership program.

Financial Summary

In 2007, NDANO:

- Maintained a positive cash reserve and ended the fiscal year with revenue of \$87,056 and expenses of \$77,559.
- Secured funds for membership programs through membership dues, earned income and charitable contributions.
- Received generous support from the Bush Foundation, Otto Bremer Foundation, Northwest Area Foundation, Qwest Foundation, Dakota Medical Foundation and MDU Resources Foundation, along with additional assistance from GlobalT Investments, Bremer and the North Dakota Community Foundation.

About NDANO

NDANO is the membership organization representing the entire state nonprofit sector. NDANO was founded in 1997 by state nonprofit leaders who recognized the need to strengthen nonprofit organizations in North Dakota and their ability to serve the needs of individuals and communities.



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