

Community foundations in figures



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Seal of Approval community foundations
exist in Germany.

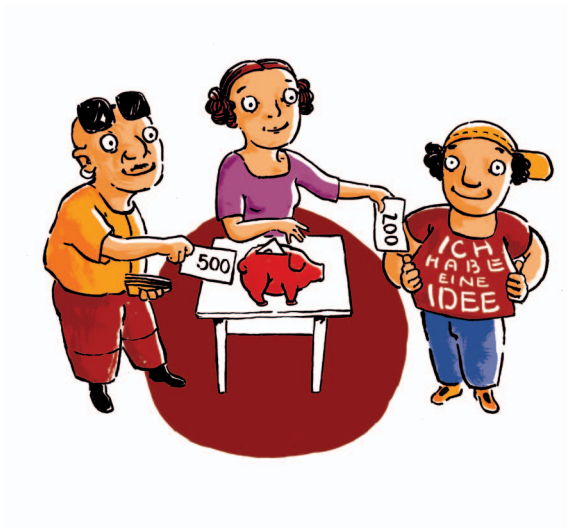
Of these, 13 have received the Seal of Approval for the first time in 2016.



29.000

community donors
exist in Germany.

This figure increased by 16,000 last year.



334 million

euros is the capital of the Seal of Approval community foundations in Germany.

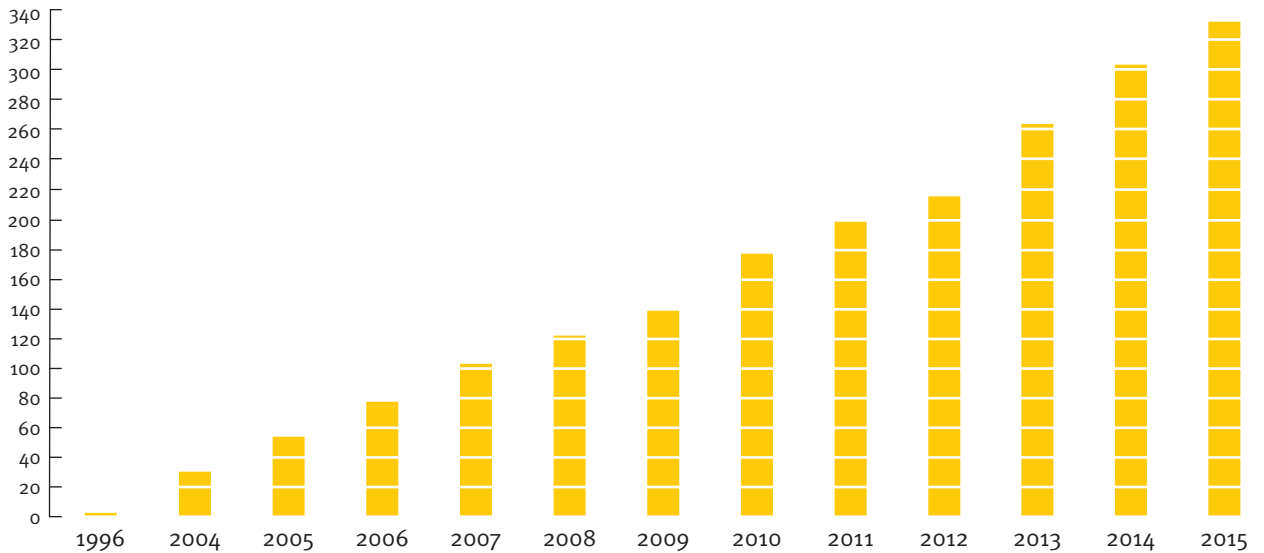
Since the end of 2014, it has grown by EUR 29 million.

A total of 74 Seal of Approval community foundations are millionaires – five of them have more than EUR 10 million.

A total of 43 Seal of Approval community foundations have capital of less than EUR 100,000.

Endowment funds

of the Seal of Approval community foundations in Germany from 1996 to 2015 (in million euros)



Source: Community foundations survey 2016.

Receipts and expenditures *

The Seal of Approval community foundations received **EUR 15.4 million in donations** in 2015.

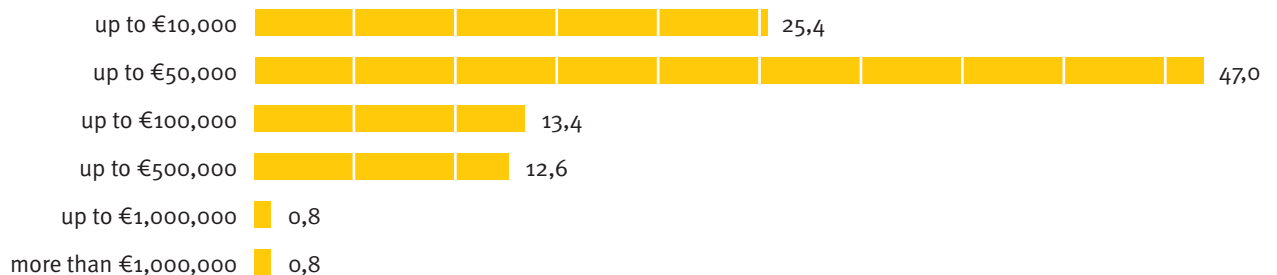
Half of the community foundations received less than EUR 20,000 in donations.

This equals an average of about **EUR 50,000 in donations per community foundation**.

The community foundations spent **EUR 18 million in subsidies** aiding their causes.

Expenditures for causes defined in the bylaws in 2015

of the Seal of Approval community foundations in Germany (in per cent)



Source: Community foundations survey 2016, n = 134

* The figures are extrapolations. Basis: Community foundations survey 2016, response rate 44–60 per cent.

Salaried staff and volunteers *

1 million hours

is the approximate time volunteers worked for community foundations in 2015.

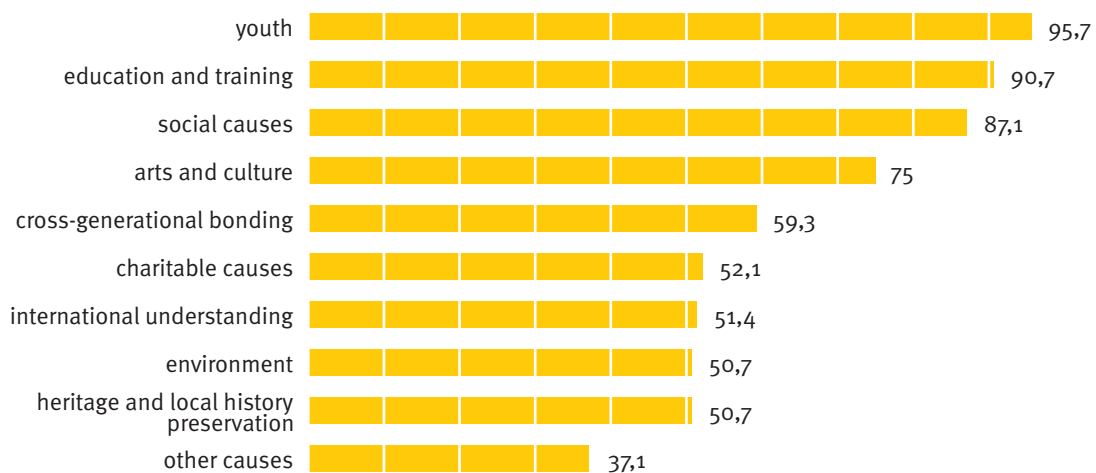
Approximately **15,000 time donors** were actively involved in community foundations in the past year.

A total of **24 per cent** of community foundations employ **salaried staff members**.



Seal of Approval community foundations work for the advancement of ...

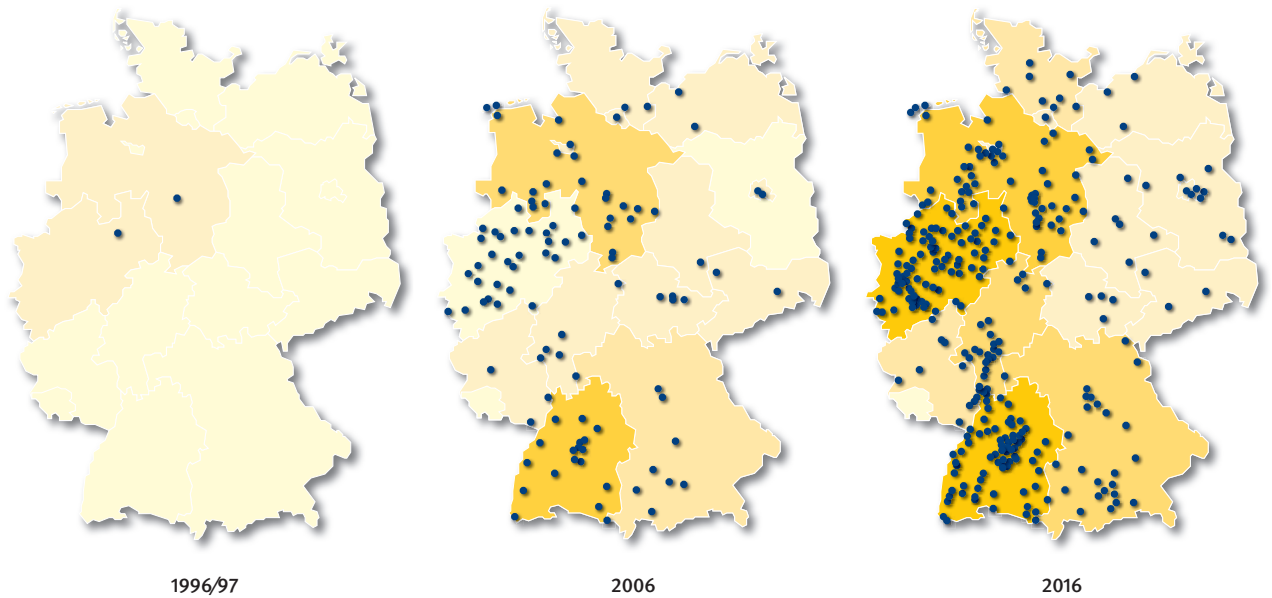
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Multiple answers possible, n = 140, source: Community foundations survey, figures as of 31.12.2015

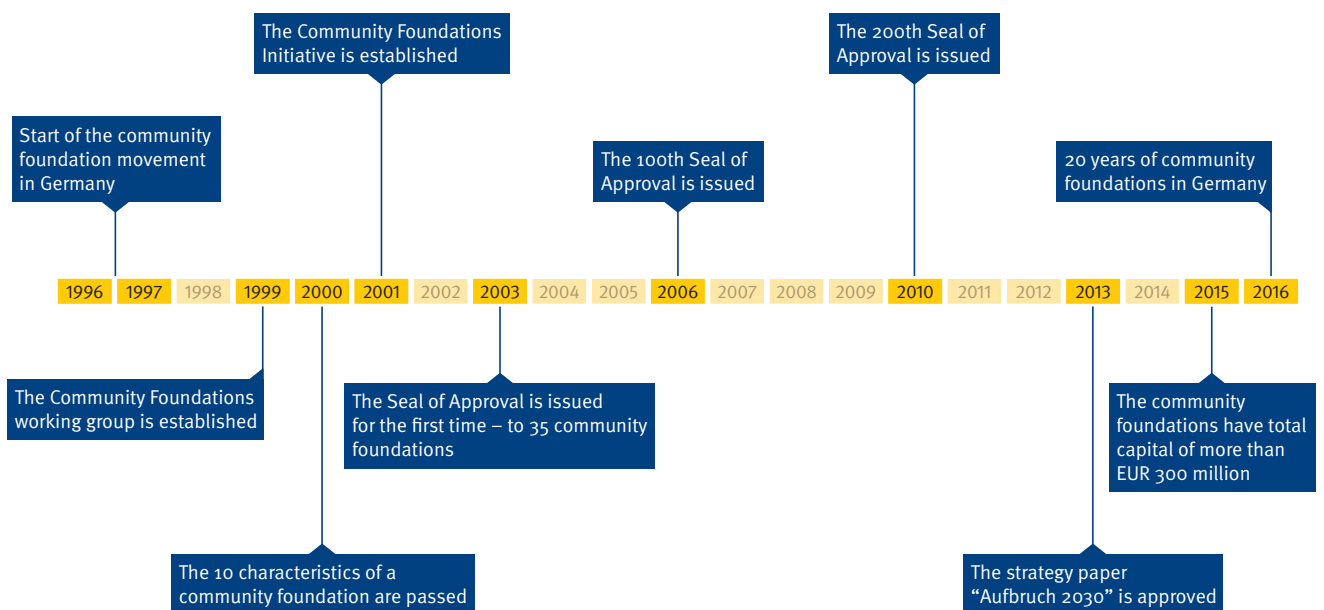
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Development of the community foundations in Germany



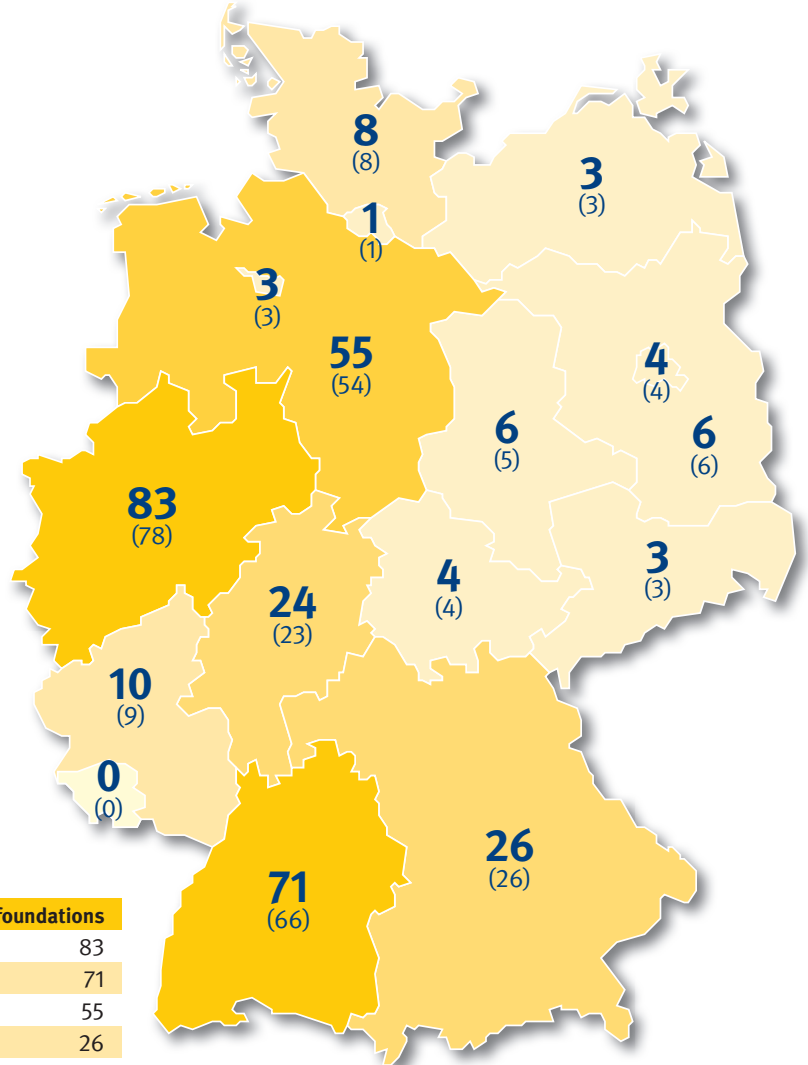
The first community foundations were created in Gütersloh and Hanover in 1996 and 1997 respectively. Ten years later the 100th community foundation was established in Wesel. During the next ten years the number of Seal

of Approval community foundations tripled: in 2016 the Lutherstadt Wittenberg Community Foundation was the 300th community foundation to receive the Seal of Approval.

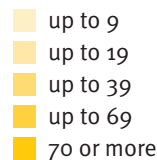


Seal of Approval community foundations in the federal states

Number of the community foundations in 2016 (previous years in parentheses)



Rank	State	No. of community foundations
1	North Rhine-Westphalia	83
2	Baden-Württemberg	71
3	Lower Saxony	55
4	Bavaria	26
5	Hesse	24
6	Rhineland Palatinate	10
7	Schleswig-Holstein	8
8	Brandenburg	6
8	Saxony-Anhalt	6
9	Berlin	4
9	Thuringia	4
10	Bremen	3
10	Mecklenburg-West Pomerania	3
10	Saxony	3
11	Hamburg	1
12	Saarland	0



Source: Community Foundations Initiative, figures as of 1.10.2016

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