

Value of Volunteer Time

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The estimated dollar value of volunteer time is \$17.55 per hour for 2004.

Below is a table that provides a historical look at volunteering and its estimated dollar value. Assuming that the same number of volunteer hours was served in 2004 as in 2000, the total dollar value of volunteer time for 2004 is estimated at \$272 billion.

Learn more about these figures, including how they are calculated and how nonprofit organizations often use them, at the [bottom of the page](#).

The 2005 value of volunteer time will be posted next spring, following the release of relevant data from the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Dollar Value of a Volunteer Hour in Other Years: 1980 - 2003

1980: \$7.46	1985: \$9.60	1990: \$11.41	1995: \$13.05	2000: \$15.68
1981: \$8.12	1986: \$9.81	1991: \$11.76	1996: \$13.47	2001: \$16.27
1982: \$8.60	1987: \$10.06	1992: \$12.05	1997: \$13.99	2002: \$16.74
1983: \$8.98	1988: \$10.39	1993: \$12.35	1998: \$14.56	2003: \$17.19
1984: \$9.32	1989: \$10.82	1994: \$12.68	1999: \$15.09	2004: \$17.55