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# Fund-raising high after Sept. 11 attack

<AP>The post-Sept. 11 drop-off in donations to charities not serving the victims of the terrorist attacks apparently did not last long.

Many nonprofit organizations are reporting to their surprise that 2001 contributions were equal to or even higher than the previous year's.

"Frankly, we're not seeing a crisis in fund-raising," said Michael Nilsen, spokesperson for the Association of Fundraising Professionals in Alexandria, Va.

In Hagerstown, Md., for example, Salvation Army Capt. Butch Mallard was deciding where to put the Christmas kettles last September when the terrorists struck. He assumed that people who gave to Sept.

country were similarly surprised to find that they were not seriously undercut by the fund-raising for the Sept. 11 victims.

Preliminary results from a survey by the Association of Fundraising Professionals of its 25,000 North American members indicate 60 percent raised as much as or more than last year, Nilsen said. Most of the others reported drops of 10 percent or less, he said.

The Chronicle of Philanthropy reported Feb. 7 that for many charities, strong returns in November and December helped offset a drop in contributions immediately after the attacks. The newspaper interviewed more than 60 charity officials and consultants and found that while gains over 2000 were generally modest, few organizations reported significant declines.

World Neighbors, an international development group in Oklahoma City, saw a 77 percent drop in donations in the first two weeks after the attacks but ended up receiving more money in the fourth quarter of 2001 than in the same period a year earlier, spokeswoman Kendra Fox said. The total for the period was \$253,000, compared with \$243,000 a year earlier.

"In the context of the slowing economy, that's really encouraging," Fox said.

When donations to Freedom from Hunger, an international organization in Davis, Calif., stalled in early autumn, leaders made a special appeal to their most loyal donors. The group

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AFP spokesperson

11 victim relief funds would contribute less to the charities they usually support.

"We were looking at, if we could come up to anywhere close to last year, it would be a good year," Mallard said.

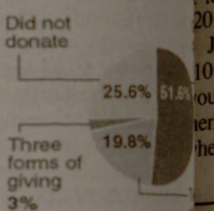
Instead, donations to organization's Hagerstown-area unit in 2001 came in 4 percent above the previous year, including a 21 percent jump in kettle receipts, Mallard said.

Many charities around the

### Acts of cha

Despite the volume of early evidence showing people are still giving to survey measured response to the terror

Of the people surveyed, 25.6% donated in one way, including money or volunteer



Of those who donated, \$133.72 was the average

Income level	Average donation
\$80,000 or more	\$100
\$40,000 to 80,000	\$72
Up to \$40,000	\$72

SOURCE: Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University

finished calendar 2001 record \$1.8 million in donations, up from \$1.5 million in 2000, said Claire Thomas, vice president for

The goal for the year began in mid-November \$668,200. "We said that if we didn't meet it, we would have to make cuts," Thomas said because everything we're thinking about

## 116 charges against Marsh

LaFAYETTE, Ga. (AP) — Authorities filed 100 more criminal charges Tuesday against the operator of a crematory where hundreds of corpses have been discovered.

Ray Brent Marsh already faced 16 counts of theft by deception for allegedly taking money for cremations he never performed at Tri-State Crematory.

The 100 additional theft by deception charges were filed by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and issued in a warrant by Walker County Magistrate Judge Shelia Thompson.

The new counts were connected to 50 of the corpses found at Tri-State. For each body, one count was filed for taking money from the families and another for failing to give the ashes to the families, officials said.

So far, 331 corpses have been found on the crematory grounds. Only 70 of the bodies have been identified.

The latest charges were filed just hours after a separate judge ruled Marsh could leave jail on \$100,000 bond on the original 16 theft charges. Marsh was still in jail Tuesday afternoon and could be arrested again if he makes bail.

Meanwhile, recovery workers began another day of clear-cutting the 16-acre crematory grounds.

Authorities have said it could be before all the bodies are identified. Some are growing weary and occasional emotional toll mounts.

"Everybody involved in this process word go, is suffering some kind of

"Everybody involved in this process, from the word go, is suffering some kind of emotional strain."

— David Ashburn  
Walker County emergency director

strain," said David Ashburn, the Walker County emergency director. "It's things that we were never meant to be exposed to."

Officials estimated they had searched three or four acres of the Tri-State, which comprise at least eight acres, buildings and a small lake. Authorities are on a plan to drain the lake.

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