

Pittsburgh Youth Concert Orchestra

Executive Director / CEO

EIN 141952294

PA · NTEE A69

FY ending 2025-07-31

June 9, 2026

This analysis benchmarks the total compensation of **Scott Miller, Executive Director / CEO** (\$1,722) against **every comparable organization** that fit the selection criteria — **6** in total — drawn systematically from IRS Form 990 filings, not a hand-picked subset.

Compensation sits at approximately the **17th** percentile of comparable organizations below the typical range for comparable organizations

Benchmarked executive: Scott Miller — reported title “KEY EMPLOYEE”, selected as the organization's **highest-paid individual** — no exact title match, so confirm this is a comparable role.

How comparable organizations were selected

SECTOR Organizations sharing the subject's NTEE classification (A69).

BUDGET Total revenue between \$2,747 and \$6,151 — 0.67x to 1.50x the subject's \$4,101 (the band tightens as size grows).

GEOGRAPHY Same NTEE major group (A), nationwide + budget 0.67–1.5x revenue.

6 organizations qualified on sector, size, and geography

→ **6** within the band form the benchmarked peer set.

Distribution of comparable compensation



\$3,728	\$7,127	\$15,533	\$98,423	\$147,131	\$1,722
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■ Comparable organizations

Each figure is Form 990 Part VII columns D + F (reportable pay plus other compensation and benefits; column F may include amounts from related organizations), normalized to PA cost of living (BEA RPP, 2023) and to its filing year (CPI-U); the reported amount is on each linked 990.

ORGANIZATION	STATE	REVENUE	MATCHED TITLE	COMP (REPORTED)	COMP (ADJUSTED)	FY
San Jose Light Tower Corporation	CA	\$4,355	Executive Director	\$140,000	\$124,433	2024
Yad Vashem Usa Foundation	NY	\$4,407	Nat. Dir. Of Philanthropy	\$182,589	\$169,828	2024
Geethamrutha	MD	\$2,960	President	\$6,000	\$5,945	2023
Wisconsin Historical Real Estate	WI	\$2,840	Executive Director	\$18,972	\$20,394	2024
Phoenix Symphony Support Foundation	AZ	\$5,511	President/ceo	\$10,471	\$10,672	2023
Api Arts & Outreach Inc	NY	\$6,000	President	\$1,624	\$1,511	2024

Comp (reported) is the figure on each organization's Form 990 (columns D + F); **Comp (adjusted)** normalizes it to PA cost of living and 2025 dollars. Click any organization to verify the figure on ProPublica.

■ Methodology

Comparable organizations were drawn from electronically filed IRS Form 990 returns and matched on sector (NTEE code), budget (a size-adaptive revenue band that tightens as the organization grows), and geography (same-state first, broadening only when too few peers qualify); every organization within the band forms the peer set. To compare fairly across regions and years, peer compensation is normalized to PA cost of living (BEA Regional Price Parities, 2023) and to the subject's filing year (CPI-U). The figure benchmarked is Form 990 Part VII, Section A, columns D + F — reportable pay plus other compensation, benefits, and deferred amounts (column F may include amounts from related organizations) — with the chief executive matched by role. Related-organization amounts (column E) and institutional trustees are excluded. Full methodology: peerbasis.org/methodology.

■ Sample, role match & sensitivity

PEER COUNT	6 organizations — below 15; treat the percentiles as indicative, not precise. Compensation range \$1,511–\$169,828; filing years 2023–2024.
SIZE BASIS	Matched on total revenue (\$4,101); for reference, expenses \$8,371 and assets \$234,002. Revenue and expenses diverge this year — revenue may misrepresent operating size; weigh the expense-based view.
ROLE MATCH	Scott Miller, reported title " <i>KEY EMPLOYEE</i> ", benchmarked as Executive Director / CEO. Selected as the organization's highest-paid individual without an exact title match — the board should confirm this is a comparable role.
RELATED-ORG PAY	2 peers report related-organization compensation (column E), which the D + F benchmark does not fully capture; review where material.

Sensitivity — the subject's percentile under alternative compensation definitions:

BASIS	SUBJECT PERCENTILE
Total compensation (D + F), cost-of-living + inflation adjusted — the PeerBasis default	17 th
Total compensation (D + F), as reported (no adjustments)	17 th
Reportable pay only (column D), adjusted	50 th
All sources (D + E + F), adjusted	17 th

If the percentile moves materially across these definitions, the result is sensitive to methodology choices, and the board should weigh which basis best fits its facts.

● **Rebuttable presumption of reasonableness · 26 CFR 53.4958-6**

Compensation paid by a tax-exempt organization is presumed reasonable — shifting the burden to the IRS — when three requirements are met. This report supplies the comparability data for the second. The board should record the following in its minutes *concurrently* with its decision:

Draft board minutes – executive compensation

1. The compensation of the Executive Director / CEO (Scott Miller) was approved in advance by [the Board / Compensation Committee], composed of members with no conflict of interest with respect to the arrangement.
2. Prior to its determination, the authorized body obtained and relied upon appropriate comparability data, namely the PeerBasis Compensation Comparability Determination dated June 9, 2026, comparing compensation against 6 similarly situated organizations (Same NTEE major group (A), nationwide + budget 0.67–1.5× revenue).

3. The authorized body determined that total compensation of \$1,722 is reasonable (approximately the 17th percentile of comparable organizations) and documented the basis for this determination concurrently, on [date], by a vote of [__ for / __ against].

Sources: IRS Form 990 e-file data (apps.irs.gov); IRS Business Master File (NTEE classification). Every figure traces to an original public filing — click any organization above to verify it on ProPublica. PeerBasis is a service of Prismind Analytics; its [methodology is published](#), was commissioned for independent adversarial review, and discloses its own limitations. This report is comparability data to support a board's good-faith determination under IRC 4958; it is not legal or tax advice. Generated by PeerBasis on June 9, 2026.