

GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PRIVACY POLICY

Your right to privacy is very important to us. We recognize that providing the Foundation with your personal information is an act of trust. The Community Foundation has created this privacy statement in order to demonstrate its commitment to the privacy of donors and website users.

Obtaining Information

The Community Foundation obtains personal information about you in the following ways:

- From applications or forms (e.g., name, address, phone number)
- From transactional activity (e.g., contributions and grant recommendations)
- From other sources with your consent or the consent of your authorized representative

We may use this information to process transactions, respond to your inquiries, and develop new programs and services. The Community Foundation takes great care to protect your personal information and determine when it is used, and we do so with respect for your privacy.

Protecting Information

The strong protection of sensitive information is the basis of our donors' trust and a standard practice. We employ extensive physical, electronic and procedural protection mechanisms.

The Community Foundation does not sell or rent donor names or information to any firm or nonprofit organization, and it does not share it with any firm or nonprofit organization for their marketing or fundraising purposes, unless you or your authorized representative explicitly authorize us to do so. You do not have to contact us to benefit from these protections; they apply automatically.

We may share the personal information we collect with government agencies or other regulatory bodies and law enforcement officials (e.g., for tax reporting or for reporting suspicious transactions).

Online Privacy

Privacy, security and service online are just as critical as the rest of our operations. We, therefore, employ firewall barriers, encryption techniques and authentication procedures. We may also place cookies and similar files on your hard drive for security purposes, to facilitate site navigation, and to personalize your experience on our site.

Donor Privacy

The Community Foundation maintains the highest level of privacy concerning our donors' contact and fund information. All contact information is used for internal purposes only and never published. Note that contact information is required by the IRS in regard to contributions but is not for public inspection.

Fund names, along with descriptions and grants awarded, are published in Foundation communication material and media, unless a donor chooses to remain anonymous.

The Community Foundation does not sell, trade, or share its donor list with any organization.

If you have any questions regarding this Privacy Statement contact:

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