



GiveNKind Gift Acceptance Policy

Policy and Governance Committee Recommendation
to Board: 2/26/2025

Approved by Board of Directors: April 26, 2025

1. Purpose

GiveNKind accepts gifts that support its mission and programs. Donors are encouraged to seek legal and financial counsel regarding their contributions, including tax and estate implications. This policy outlines the guidelines for gift acceptance.

2. Use of Legal Counsel

GiveNKind may seek legal advice for:

- Securities with restrictions or buy-sell agreements.
- Documents naming GiveNKind as a trustee or fiduciary.
- Gifts requiring financial or other obligations.
- Potential conflicts of interest.
- Property subject to environmental or regulatory concerns.

3. Restrictions on Gifts

GiveNKind will not accept gifts that:

- Violate its corporate charter or nonprofit status.
- Are too costly or difficult to manage.
- Have unacceptable consequences for the organization.
- Fall outside GiveNKind's mission.
- The Executive Committee and Executive Director will make decisions on restricted gifts.

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4. Gifts Generally Accepted Without Review

- **Cash:** Accepted in all forms, including checks, credit cards, and online payments.
- **Marketable Securities:** Accepted electronically or physically and promptly sold unless directed otherwise. Restricted securities are subject to Executive Committee review.
- **Bequests & Beneficiary Designations:** Encouraged through wills, trusts, life insurance, annuities, and retirement plans.
- **Charitable Remainder Trusts:** Accepted as remainder beneficiaries.
- **Charitable Lead Trusts:** Accepted as income beneficiaries.
- **Acceptance** of any gifts will be made at the discretion of the Executive Director.

5. Gifts Requiring Prior Review

Some gifts require review before acceptance, including:

- **Tangible Personal Property:** Evaluated based on relevance to mission, marketability, restrictions, carrying costs, and clear ownership.
- **Life Insurance:** Accepted if GiveNKind is named as beneficiary and irrevocable owner. Donors must cover future premiums.
- **Real Estate:** Subject to Executive Committee review and an environmental assessment. Considerations include usefulness, marketability, restrictions, costs, and potential liabilities.

This policy ensures that all gifts align with GiveNKind's mission while maintaining financial and ethical integrity.

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