



Donor Confidentiality Policy and Bill of Rights

San Diego Habitat for Humanity subscribes to the **Donor Bill of Rights** of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and does not, therefore, share, loan, trade, rent or sell our donor list to any other non-affiliated organization. The information we collect is used only to communicate with our donors or potential donors and to evaluate our giving information programs.

We remove from our mailing and contact lists the names of anyone who request it. If donors or others wish to be removed, they notify SDHFH by calling 619-283-4663 or by e-mail at general@sdhfh.org.

The Donor Bill of Rights

Philanthropy is based on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing that is primary to the quality of life. To ensure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the nonprofit organizations and causes they are asked to support, we declare that all donors have these rights:

- I. To be informed of the organization's mission, of the way the organization intends to use donated resources, and of its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.
- II. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the organization's governing board, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
- III. To have access to the organization's most recent financial statements.
- IV. To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
- V. To receive appropriate acknowledgement and recognition.
- VI. To be assured that information about their donation is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by law.
- VII. To expect that all relationships with individuals representing organizations of interest to the donor will be professional in nature.
- VIII. To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the organization or hired solicitors.
- IX. To have the opportunity for their names to be deleted from mailing lists that an organization may intend to share.
- X. To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful and forthright answers.

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