



TOP endorses "The Donor Bill of Rights" created by the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP), the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), and the Giving Institute: Leading Consultants to Non-Profits.

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 philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in TOP and TOP causes they are asked to support, TOP declares that all TOP donors have these rights:

I. To be informed of TOP'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 TOP's governing board, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.

III. To have access to TOP'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 TOP, or hired solicitors.

(Note: TOP never hires solicitors for fundraising purposes.)

IX. To have the opportunity for their names to be deleted from mailing lists that TOP may intend to share.

(Note: TOP does not and will never share donor information.)

X. To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful, and forthright answers.

*Policy approved by the Theatre of the People Board of Directors on [date].