

Policy Name:	Gift Acceptance Policy
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At Bridge to Türkiye Fund, (BTF), we are grateful for the support and generosity of our donors. This policy outlines the types of gifts we accept and provides guidelines for the acceptance process. By adhering to this policy, we ensure that gifts align with our mission, comply with legal and ethical standards, and support the long-term sustainability of our organization.

1. Purpose

1.1. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for accepting gifts that support BTF's mission and are consistent with our values.

1.2. This policy helps maintain transparency, protects the organization's reputation, and ensures compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.

2. Types of Acceptable Gifts

2.1. We accept unrestricted and designated monetary gifts for specific purposes that align with our mission and programs.



2.2. We may accept tangible gifts, such as equipment, supplies, artwork, and other items that can be used to further our mission or be converted into resources to support our programs.

2.3. We may accept gifts of publicly traded securities, real estate, bequests, life insurance, and other planned gifts, subject to the organization's capacity to accept and manage such gifts.

2.4. We may accept in-kind services or expertise that directly contribute to our programs and operations, subject to evaluation and approval, as defined in the section titled Gift Acceptance Process, based on the estimated value of the donation.

3. Considerations for Gift Acceptance

3.1. BTF will consider the following factors when evaluating gift acceptance:

- a. Consistency with our mission, goals, and values.
- b. Legal and ethical considerations, including compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and industry standards.
- c. Financial and operational capacity to accept and manage the gift effectively.
- d. Potential impact on the organization's reputation, including any association with controversial or conflicting interests.
- e. Potential costs, risks, and obligations associated with accepting and maintaining the gift.

4. Gift Acceptance Process

1. The following governing bodies will review and evaluate the acceptance of non-monetary gifts, based on their estimated monetary value:

- \$2K to \$10K: Finance Director and Treasurer
- \$10K - \$100K: Finance and Audit Committee
- \$100K - \$0.5M: Executive Committee
- Higher than \$0.5M: Board of Directors

2. BTF may seek external advice, such as legal or financial counsel, when necessary to evaluate the suitability of complex or significant gifts.

3. The acceptance or refusal of a gift will be communicated promptly and courteously to the donor, providing reasons for the decision if appropriate.

4. The organization reserves the right to decline any gift that does not meet the established criteria or poses a potential conflict of interest or legal risk.



5. Stewardship and Donor Recognition

1. Donors will be acknowledged and recognized for their gifts, as appropriate, in alignment with the organization's donor recognition and stewardship practices.
2. The organization will respect donor preferences regarding public recognition or anonymity and will adhere to any legal or ethical obligations regarding donor privacy.