#### **Privacy Statement**

This website is owned and operated by The Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country. Our intention is to inform and educate visitors about our work as a grantmaker, community resource and philanthropic partner to local individuals, families and corporations. The Community Foundation is committed to honoring the privacy of all those we work with, including visitors to our website and subscribers to our electronic newsletters.

## **Personal Information**

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We may occasionally ask for your feedback via surveys or other communications to better understand your interests and needs. We will also request information through online forms used to register for a foundation event. The foundation does not share or make public any personal information gathered through our website.

If you are a Community Foundation fund holder and you use our online system, you provide personal information to authenticate your identity. That information is only used on this site and is not distributed or sold to any other party or site. Our secure system for donors is encrypted with Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) to provide security and privacy when you access fund information, initiate online fund transactions or send secure messages.

# Confidentiality with respect to Grant Applicants and Grantees

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# **Public Information**

Under IRS Code, the following foundation documents are public information:

- IRS Forms 990 and affiliated schedules for the past three years.
- Exemption letter from the IRS.
- Approved application for exemption with supporting documentation.

Lists of our donors, other than those published in the annual report, are not available to the public. We do not reveal the name of anonymous donors to the recipient of a grant.

## **Third Party Sites**

Throughout our website(s), we offer links to third party sites. Since we do not control those websites, we encourage you to review their privacy policies as well.

## Communications

If at any time you wish to stop receiving The Community Foundation's electronic newsletters or other communications, or to be removed from our email list, you may unsubscribe from that list as explained in each message. The Community Foundation will not give your email addresses to other organizations.

#### **Questions and Comments**

We welcome comments and questions on this policy. To share feedback or to request information from the foundation, please contact the foundation at 830-896-8811 or write to:

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