## A 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 assure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the not-for-profit organizations and causes that they are asked to support, we declare that all donors have these rights.

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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.

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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 audited financial statements and periodic fund statements as needed.

#### IV.

To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.

#### V

To receive appropriate acknowledgment and recognition.

#### **DEVELOPED BY**

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PHILANTHROPY (AHP)
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NATIONAL SOCIETY OF FUND RAISING
EXECUTIVES (NSFRE)

#### VI.

To be assured that information about their donations 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.

#### **ENDORSED BY**

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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR RESOURCE
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## APPENDIX B

## Mission

To inspire philanthropy and be a catalyst for strengthening communities throughout Monterey County

## Vision

Healthy, safe, vibrant communities

## Values

We **advance positive change** through grantmaking, community engagement and collaboration.

We **build a legacy for future generations** through responsible stewardship of the resources entrusted to us.

We operate with the highest standards of integrity, ethics and accountability.

We **embrace inclusivity** and diversity.

We **commit to fairness and respect** for the dignity of all people.

We are open and honest with our philanthropic partners, grantees and the community.

We **strive** for **excellence** in all that we do.

# LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (LP) AND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) GIFT ACCEPTANCE POLICIES

Gifts of Limited Partnership Shares or Limited Liability Company Interests may be accepted by CFMC. The following steps should be followed to facilitate a smooth gifting and asset management process:

- 1) The President/CEO must discuss with the donor or donor's representative the charitable intent of the donation, the assets that will fund the partnership, the percentage payment of the income to CFMC from the LP or LLC and other terms of the partnership.
- 2) CFMC must have adequate opportunity to review the entity documentation, which includes review by CFMC legal counsel. Gifts of LP or LLC interests offered to CFMC may be accepted or declined based on the response to this review.
- 3) Generally, if the documented present value of an LP or LLC interest is \$20,000 or more, that LP or LLC interest may be credited to a new, named component fund at CFMC. The fund may be treated as an advised, designated, scholarship, field of interest, or unrestricted fund as requested by the donor. Grants may be made only from income generated by the LP or LLC interest or from other liquid assets in the component fund, provided the fund's documented present value remains at least \$20,000.
- 4) Generally, if the documented present value of an LP or LLC interest is less than \$20,000, that LP or LLC interest will be treated as an unrestricted contribution to CFMC, and income from the LP or LLC interest will be treated as unrestricted income to CFMC. In the alternative, the donor may direct the contribution to an existing, named component fund at CFMC or combine the LP or LLC interest with other assets sufficient to bring the total present value of the contribution to at least \$20,000.
- 5) CFMC's administrative fees will be as follows:
  - Named component funds are charged an administrative fee on CFMC's standard published fee schedule based on the fund's fair market value or on contributions to the fund, declining as CFMC-managed assets in the fund exceed \$500,000.
  - If the LP or LLC interests do not produce sufficient income to pay the fees, CFMC reserves the right to invoice for annual fees.
- 6) CFMC must receive an annual tax filing or valuation for the LP or LLC interests (usually in the form of a K-1). This provides the basis for CFMC to book the asset, as required in FASB standards.
- 7) Donors of LP or LLC interests must be fully informed by their advisors of the tax implications of the gift of LP or LLC interests, including the non-income tax deductibility of the annual income payments to CFMC as an owner of the LP or LLC interests.

## REAL ESTATE GIFT ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES

When a donor expresses the desire to donate a gift of real estate, the following guidelines will be followed:

- 1. The Foundation staff and the donor should meet to visually evaluate the property and develop appropriate gift arrangements with the donor, subject to proper approval. The approval process includes consulting with the Chair of the Board of the Foundation and the Foundation's Gift Acceptance Committee.
- 2. An appraisal (MAI, FHA, or equivalent) is to be performed by an independent appraiser according to IRS guidelines.
- 3. The Checklist for Real Estate Gifts needs to be followed, if applicable (see Attachment I).
- 4. A financial analysis must be performed prior to acceptance to determine whether the gift makes a financially sound investment for the Foundation, especially if commercial or income property is involved.
- 5. The Gift Acceptance Committee will evaluate the value of the property in relation to the costs of holding the property and the likely proceeds from selling it.
- 6. Depending on the complexity (e.g., location, use of improvements, title) and value of the property being donated, the staff should discuss an appropriate fee/gift arrangement with the donor to help cover the overhead costs of accepting the gift. These costs may include but are not necessarily limited to property inspections, environmental assessment, market analysis, sales commissions, title work, closing costs, legal fees, property taxes, insurance and the cost of holding the property for eventual resale.
- 7. The donor will be required to provide a written appraisal of the fair market value of the real property prepared by a qualified appraiser, and, regardless of the use of the real property, a written disclosure statement in the form provided in California Civil Code sec. 1102.6 (or successor statute), together with any and all documents and information as the Gift Acceptance Committee may require.
- 8. The Gift Acceptance Committee will also evaluate any potential problems associated with co-ownership if less than the full interest in a property is being donated.

## Considerations for Accepting Real Estate Gifts:

- 1. The Foundation will take into account the depreciation of real estate in considering gift proposals. If the donor has taken accelerated depreciation in excess of straight-line prior to making the gift, the donor will be responsible for making any recapture payments to the Internal Revenue Service.
- 2. The Foundation will consider encumbered property for acceptance only if the evaluation convincingly demonstrates that the property can be sold at a price that substantially exceeds the aggregate amount of the encumbrances and any costs associated with satisfying them.
- 3. The Foundation must weigh carefully whether or not it has the desire and ability to manage the property for whatever length of time is necessary to consummate the sale. If the property produces income, the Foundation must consider the amount of income it receives against the ongoing cost of the encumbrances.
- 4. The Foundation will not pay for appraisals, finder's fees, or the drafting of legal documents without approval of the Gift Acceptance Committee.

## Disposition of Property:

Generally, the Foundation will sell property as quickly as possible after the gift is completed.

- 1. The Foundation should consider its investment objectives before selling.
- 2. The Foundation should avoid selling property at a distressed price. A quick distress sale may jeopardize the donor's charitable contribution deduction and might negatively impact the market values in the area.

## Environmental/Pollution Concerns:

In all cases involving real property which has been used for commercial purposes, and in those cases involving real property which has been used for residential purposes as the President/CEO may determine, an Environmental Assessment shall be prepared for the property. The President/CEO shall determine whether the Assessment shall be prepared to ASTM Standard E 1527-00 (Phase I Environmental Site Assessment) or ASTM Standard E 1528-00 (Transaction Screen Process), or the appropriate successor to those standards.

The determination of the President/CEO whether to require an Environmental Assessment and if so, which type of Assessment shall be prepared, shall be made in writing. The President/CEO shall state the reasons why a particular determination is made. The decision of the President/CEO may be reviewed and changed by the Gift Acceptance Committee.

Any Environmental Site Assessment prepared shall be reviewed and approved by the Gift Acceptance Committee prior to final acceptance of the gift by the Foundation.

The Foundation will generally not accept gifts of real property which are contaminated by hazardous materials at the time of the gift or have been so contaminated at any time in the past. However, in the unusual event that the Foundation does elect to accept gifts of such property, a written agreement shall be made with the donor acknowledging the facts and circumstances concerning the hazardous materials, allocating responsibility for any damage or cost caused or incurred as a result of such hazardous materials and any other matters deemed appropriate by the Foundation under the circumstances of the proposed gift.

## Gifts Related to Real Estate:

The Foundation may accept trust deed notes and mortgages as gifts. In most cases, a qualified appraisal would determine the value, taking into account the unpaid principal balance, the interest rate payable under the loan, and the current interest rates.

## Bargain Sale of Real Estate and Personal Property:

Gifts in the form of a bargain sale need to be appraised by an independent appraiser (MAI, FHA or equivalent) with the fee to be paid by the donor.

In addition, the asset must be readily marketable (maximum estimated selling period of one year) or of reasonable current use to the Foundation. The minimum gift valuation should be \$50,000, net of the Foundation's investment.

## Gifts of Real Estate with Retained Life Tenancy:

Consideration of a life tenancy gift requires the Foundation staff to follow the stated guidelines for acceptance of real property. The donor pays for the appraisal and all transfer fees and costs. The gift value and anticipated value of property at the end of the life tenancy will be calculated by the Foundation when the gift is made.

There should be reasonable expectation that the property can be sold within one year after the death of the donor or donor's relinquishment of the property.

In accepting gifts of real estate with retained life tenancy, the Foundation will also take into consideration the potential use of the property during the life tenancy to avoid acceptance of a property that may become a liability in future years.

# Community Foundation for Monterey County Checklist for Real Estate Gifts

# **General Information**

Donor's Name:					
Address:					
Phone Number: (Home) (Business)					
Location of Property:					
Type of Property:					
Owners of Record:					
Ownership: Circle One:	1) Sole	2) Joint	3) General Partnership		
	4) Limited	Partnership	5) Community Property		
Does the Ownership Include Mineral Rights, Water Rights, Any Restrictive					
Easements, Covenants or Rights of Way, etc.?					
Legal Description (from o	wner's docu	ments):			
Is There Any Impending I	₋itigation Wit	h Regard to th	ne Property?		
Valuation and Date of Mo	st Recent A	ppraisal:			
Annual Property Taxes: _					
Fees (association fees, s	ewer, water	or other opera	iting costs):		
Are There Any Liens, End	cumbrances,	Mortgages, e	tc.?		
Status of This Year's Taxes and Holding Costs (including delinquent fees):					
Donor's Basis/Cost of Pro	perty and Lo	ength of Time	Owned:		
Estimated Time Required	to Sell the A	Asset:			
Zoning Uses (residential,					
Has the Property Been th	e Subject of	Any Regulato	ory Designations (such as		
wetland or other easeme	nt)? If So, Li	ist Type of De	signation and Regulatory		
Agency:					
Proposed Delivery Date of	of Deed:				
Date of Physical Inspection of Property:					

Documents to Obtain	
Title Report: Donor should be asked to supply.	Date Received:
Appraisal: Must be ordered, paid for and submitted within 60 days of deed delivery.	
<b>Deed:</b> Shows how title is vested and is used to prepare the title transfer.	
Property Tax Bill: Shows assessed value of land, improvements, actual tax and any assessments.	
Income/Expense Pro Forma For Three-Year Period: (For commercial income-producing property.)	
Association Agreement: Ownership rights and responsibilities of some properties, primarily ror condominium, are governed by an owners' association. The agr should include fees or assessments, together with a statement showing the condition of any reserve fund for deferred maintenance	reement
Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions: Conditions, covenants and restrictions are required of most subdivis A copy of these will show how the property may be used and what restrictions may apply.	sions.
Lease or Rental Agreements:  If the property is leased or rented to others, a copy of each rental agreement should be obtained, showing the terms of the agreement term of rental, deposits, etc.	t, 
Notes and Trust Deeds or Mortgages: If the property is encumbered by a note, mortgage, or other debt, copies of the promissory note, mortgage, or other relevant documer should be obtained showing the terms of the encumbrance.	nts 
Current Mortgage Statement: Will show the current status of a loan and will be helpful in identifying and discussing the loan with the lender.	

Insurance Policy:	
Will verify cost of Insurance and provide information for the	
Foundation to transfer insurance, if desired, after gift is made.	
Plot Map/Property Line:	
This indicates location of property and is an important step in	
acquiring much of the information for gift analysis.	
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Inspection Reports:	
Where inspection reports are available from previous activity related	1
to the property, such as Code Officers, inspection reports or	
structural assessment reports by an engineer.	
Structural assessment reports by all eligilicer.	
Fund Agreement:	
Outline of donor's charitable interest.	
Outline of donor's chantable interest.	
Donor/Donee Transfer Agreement:	
Must use Foundation-approved agreement form (if appropriate,	
depending on type of gift). The agreement should be drafted	
with help of legal counsel to meet the needs of each gift.	