

Donor Privacy Policy

Girl Scouts of Central Texas (GSCTX) is an independent, nonprofit organization, chartered by Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA). Every dollar raised comes through earned revenue (product and retail sales), private donations and foundations, corporate sponsorships, government grants, bequests and special events.

GSCTX respects the privacy rights of its donors and has put in place a Donor Privacy Policy to honor these rights.

Contributions from individual donors, corporations and foundations make up approximately 20% of GSCTX's base of support and our relationships with our contributors is the highest expression of our mutual commitment to the mission of building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. This confidential information is kept on file for IRS purposes. It is also used to analyze overall giving patterns in order to make more accurate budget projections, as well as to understand donors' interests in our mission and to update them on the organization's plans and activities. This information is shared with staff, board members, volunteers and consultants only on a confidential and need-to-know basis.

Donor information

GSCTX collects and maintains the following types of donor information when it is voluntarily provided to the organization:

- Contact information such as name, address, telephone number and e-mail address
- Giving information
- Information on events attended, publications received, and special requests for program information
- Information provided by the donor in the form of comments and suggestions
- Public information regarding the donor's personal history

List Sharing

GSCTX does not sell, rent, trade or share its donor list with any other organization. GSCTX never sends out mailings on behalf of other organizations.

Discontinuing Contact upon Request

It is the policy of GSCTX to communicate with donors according to their expressed preferences whenever possible. GSCTX will discontinue or change the method used to contact any person upon that person's oral or written request directed to the organization, its professional fundraisers, or other agent(s).

GSCTX shall maintain a record of all requests by persons who indicate to GSCTX, its professional fundraisers, or other agent(s), that they do not wish to be contacted by or on behalf of GSCTX.

This policy does not prohibit contact by an individual or group voluntarily soliciting on behalf of GSCTX even if the person being contacted has requested to be placed on the "do not contact list."

Upon a person's (or a person's authorized representative's) request that GSCTX discontinue further contacts, the person's name and address will be promptly modified in GSCTX's donor database to ensure that no further contact is made with the person.