

# **Fundraising Guidelines**

We are honored to work with donors like you who are enthusiastic about using your fund to make an impact in your community. While Long Beach Community Foundation (LBCF) does not sponsor or assist with fundraising efforts, you may solicit donations for your fund. These guidelines describe the ways in which others can support your fund at LBCF.

Do's & Don'ts

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#### **Contributions to the Fund**

LBCF will only receive purely charitable contributions into your fund. This means the person making the contribution cannot receive any goods or services in exchange for the contribution. A tax receipt is mailed to the donor for every contribution.

#### **Cash or Check Donations**

Individuals and businesses may make donations directly to your fund by mailing or delivering checks to our office. Checks should be made payable to Long Beach Community Foundation, noting your fund name or six-digit fund ID on the memo line.

#### **Credit Card Donations**

LBCF can create a custom online giving form to collect credit card donations to your fund. There is no cost to create a custom online giving form. Individuals will receive a tax receipt via email upon making their contribution. To set up a custom online giving form, please contact us at info@longbeachcf.org.

## **Applying for Grants**

You may not use LBCFs' federal tax ID number (EIN) to apply for grants.

Example: Sally and John want to raise money for their fund at LBCF. They send the following instructions to their friends, asking them to contribute directly to their fund. Individuals who contribute to the fund receive a tax receipt from LBCF.

If you would like to contribute to [my fund] at the Long Beach Community Foundation, please mail a check payable to Long Beach Community Foundation to the address below, noting our fund ID (xxxx00) on the memo line.

LBCF, 400 Oceangate, Suite 800, Long Beach, CA 90802.

To make a contribution online, you may do so here: [link to custom online giving form].

### **Contact Us**

Questions? Contact our donor services team at info@longbeachcf.org.