

# EXODUS 17

## DONOR AND DONATION POLICY

### 1. Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this document is to govern the acceptance and treatment of all donations made to Exodus 17 (hereafter referred to as "the Organization"). This policy ensures that all gifts are aligned with our mission to support, equip, and align disciple-making leaders, startups, and community-wide outreach programs. It provides transparency and protection for both the Organization and its donors.

### 2. Mission Alignment & Gift Acceptance

Exodus 17 solicits and accepts contributions that represent a strategic fit for our programmatic goals.

- **Discretion of Acceptance:** The Organization reserves the right to accept or decline any gift or contribution.
- **Mission Check:** Gifts will not be accepted if they compromise the core values, spiritual alignment, or operational independence of Exodus 17, or if they impose restrictions that prevent the efficient execution of our outreach programs.

### 3. Types of Contributions Accepted

Exodus 17 accepts gifts in the following formats:

- **Cash or Online Contributions:** Credit/debit card payments, bank transfers, and recurring monthly donations made via our secure online platform at [exodus17.org](https://exodus17.org).
- **Checks/Money Orders:** Mailed or hand-delivered to the authorized financial office of the Organization.
- **Publicly Traded Securities:** Shares of stock or bonds may be accepted and will generally be liquidated immediately upon receipt.
- **Corporate Matching Gifts:** We welcome and encourage corporate matching programs initiated by our donors.

### 4. Restricted vs. Unrestricted Funds

- **Unrestricted Funds:** Unless explicitly designated by the donor and pre-approved by the Board, all contributions are treated as unrestricted. These funds are distributed flexibly to wherever the need is greatest, including service-based initiatives, project developments, and administrative costs.
- **Restricted Funds:** If a donor wishes to restrict a gift to a specific project or outreach program, the restriction must be explicitly indicated in writing at the time of the donation. Exodus 17 will honor the donor's intent provided it aligns with approved projects. If a project becomes overfunded or cannot be completed, the Organization will make reasonable efforts to contact the donor to reallocate the funds, or apply them to a closely related ministry objective.

### 5. Donor Privacy and Data Protection

Exodus 17 values the trust and privacy of our financial partners.

- **Information Security:** We collect donor information (names, contact details, payment info) solely for processing donations, distributing tax receipts, and sending organizational updates.
- **No Selling or Trading:** Exodus 17 will never sell, trade, rent, or share a donor's personal information with any third-party organizations, nor send donor mailings on behalf of other entities.
- **Anonymity:** Donors may request that their gifts remain strictly anonymous in all internal and public acknowledgments.

## 6. Tax Receipts and Compliance

- **Tax-Exempt Status:** Exodus 17 operates as a recognized nonprofit entity. Contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- **Receipting:** An official, written tax receipt will be issued to the donor for all eligible contributions. For recurring monthly online donors, an annual summary receipt will be generated at the end of the fiscal calendar year.
- **Donor Responsibility:** Donors are encouraged to consult with their personal legal or financial advisors regarding the specific tax implications of their charitable giving.

## 7. Refund Policy

Because contributions are utilized rapidly to fund ongoing programs, all donations made to Exodus 17 are generally considered final and non-refundable. In rare instances of clear clerical or technical error (e.g., an unintended duplicate online charge), a refund request must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of the transaction date for review by our financial team.

*For questions regarding this policy or to request special gift arrangements, please contact the financial administrative department by emailing [hello@exodus17.org](mailto:hello@exodus17.org).*