



NONPROFIT ELIGIBILITY

- Organization must be a 501(c)(3) public charity, recognized by the IRS as a qualified recipient of tax-deductible gifts, serving Douglas, Sarpy and Pottawattamie counties.
- Organization's primary operating address is in Douglas, Sarpy or Pottawattamie County.
- One organization per tax identification number is eligible to participate.
- Community foundations are not eligible for participation.
- Funds raised through Omaha Gives! are used for services in Douglas, Sarpy and/or Pottawattamie counties.
- The Omaha Community Foundation has final discretion in approving organizations for participation.

For questions regarding eligibility, please contact Diane Darrington at diane@omahafoundation.org or (402)342-3458.

MORE INFORMATION REGARDING ELIGIBILITY

501(c)(3) Status:

- An organization cannot have a profile if it has not completed the process with the IRS to receive 501(c)(3) public charity status.

Service Area:

- An organization's primary operating address is outside of, but primarily serves the 3-county area. This organization must provide documentation showing that within the operating budget, at least 50% of revenue comes from the 3-county area or 50% of expenses serve the 3-county area.
- An organization's primary operating address is in the 3-county area, but its primary service area is national or international. The organization must provide documentation showing that within the operating budget, at least 50% of revenue comes from the 3-county area or 50% of expenses serve the 3-county area.

Restricting Funds:

- An eligible organization runs a food pantry at one location and a youth center at another, both under the same federal tax ID number. The organization is allowed one profile, and the organizational description can highlight both the pantry and the youth center, but through Omaha Gives!, donors cannot restrict their donations to one or the other. Houses of worship with affiliated schools under the same federal tax ID number may use a profile name to reflect both entities (e.g., Sacred Heart Church and School).
- A public school receives donations through a foundation. The public school's foundation may have a profile. Donors cannot designate or restrict their donations to a particular school within that system.

Fiscal Sponsorships:

- An eligible organization has a history of acting as a fiscal sponsor/agent for another program. This organization must choose either to have its own profile or to have its profile in the name of the other program. It cannot have two separate profiles for the same federal tax ID number.
- An organization cannot have a profile if it's a new project that would like to raise money for the first time, but does not have an existing fiscal sponsor/agent relationship. The Omaha Community Foundation does not assist with arranging fiscal sponsor/agent relationships in order to receive funding through Omaha Gives!.