



RIVER VALLEY RIDERS  
EQUINE-ASSISTED SERVICES

## **Gift Acceptance Policy**

River Valley Riders (RVR) solicits and accepts gifts that are consistent with its mission and that support its core programs, as well as special projects.

Donations and other forms of support will generally be accepted from individuals, partnerships, corporations, foundations, government agencies, or other entities.

When considering whether to solicit or accept gifts, RVR will consider relevant factors such as:

- Values—whether the acceptance of the gift compromises any of the core values of RVR.
- Compatibility—whether there is compatibility between the intent of the donor and the organization's use of the gift.
- Public Relationships—whether acceptance of the gift damages the reputation of RVR.
- Form of Gift—whether the gift is offered in a form that RVR can use it without incurring substantial expense or difficulty.
- Effect on Future Giving—whether the gift will encourage or discourage future gifts.
- Effect on Non-Profit Status—whether the gift would result in RVR losing its status as an IRS 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.
- General Negative Consequences—whether the gift would result in any unacceptable consequences for RVR.

Any expectations that a donor has for RVR actions in exchange for a donation must be expressed in writing prior to acceptance of the gift by RVR. Actions in exchange for a donation may include such benefits as naming of RVR facilities, public disclosure or advertising of the donation, provision of services by RVR, etc.

Gifts of Real Property or Securities may only be accepted upon approval of the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee.

RVR reserves the right to reject any offered gift from any potential donor for any reason.

**Approved by the board of directors on 11/06/2023**