

ANTI-HATE FUNDING POLICY FAQS

FAQS FOR DONORS

Why is WF focusing on anti-hate funding?

We advocate for equity as part of our <u>Strategic Framework</u>. Donor advised funds (DAF) are a tool for generating good in communities. In rare situations, they can and have been used to fund hate groups.

We screened our own DAF grantmaking and our grants in recent years and found no grants from the Foundation to organizations listed on lists such as the Southern Poverty Law Center's <u>Hate Watch</u>. Nonetheless, we felt it was important to establish new procedures to make clear our policies and avoid granting to a hate group. Directing funds to any hate group conflicts with our <u>core values</u>.

Will donor services change?

Absolutely not. We are committed to providing quality services to our donors and working with you to achieve your charitable goals.

How are you identifying hate groups?

WF is using the <u>Southern Poverty Law Center's</u> extensive and well-executed <u>Hate Map</u> which tracks more than 1,600 extremist groups across the country. We are using this list to make sure that we don't grant to organizations that are in direct conflict with our <u>core values</u>.

Will your focus on equity mean that I have to change the nonprofits that I support?

No. As always, we remain focused on connecting donors' passions with nonprofits doing the best work. All giving matters, and we respect and honor our donors' desires to support the causes they hold dear.

How can I do more with my own giving to boost equity in our region?

Connect with <u>meghan@wichitafoundation.org</u>, our Director of Philanthropy, who can tell you more about co-investment and partnership opportunities that align with your giving.

FAQS FOR NONPROFITS

How will our grantmaking be affected by the focus on equity and anti-hate?

Our grantmaking will continue to focus on funding nonprofits that provide quality, sustainable programming and services that address our region's challenges. This will not change. While we will still take the same rigor in analyzing nonprofits who receive funding, we will also apply a disciplined lens of opportunity and equity when vetting the work of our nonprofit partners to see how these programs are addressing today's greatest needs.

Will some nonprofits no longer be eligible for grants?

Our grantmaking changes won't eliminate any nonprofits who were previously eligible from receiving grants. However, we will use the lens of opportunity and equity when vetting the work of our nonprofit partners and ask additional questions on grant applications and reporting.



FAQS FOR PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

Does this new focus mean that I need to be more selective and only refer clients to you who are in tune with this line of giving?

Absolutely not. As always, we remain focused on connecting their passions with the purposes of nonprofits doing the best work. All giving matters, and we respect and honor our donors' ability to support the causes they hold dear. We would be happy to speak with any of your clients to help them envision their own philanthropic roadmap and maximize their financial and tax advantages.