

GIFT ACCEPTANCE POLICY International Gift Policy



Policy Title: Gift Acceptance Policy

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Cameras For Girls welcomes support from individuals, corporations, foundations, associations, partnerships, and others, providing that the source of the donation is consistent with the organization's mission, values, and goals. Management will make this determination unless the gift source might expose **Cameras For Girls** to liability, is precedent-setting or involves sensitive matters, in which case, the final decision rests with the Board of Directors.

The form of support may be donations, grants, sponsorships, donor assisted funds, joint marketing initiatives and other initiatives consistent with **Cameras For Girls'** mission, values and goals. It may also be goods (in the case of gifts-in-kind or securities that are consistent with **Cameras For Girls'** mission, values and goals).

Purpose: This policy outlines the guidelines and procedures for accepting International Gifts by **Cameras For Girls**, a Canadian charitable organization operating in Africa.

Scope: This policy applies to all individuals, organizations, and entities making International Gifts to **Cameras For Girls**.

Guidelines:

1. **Eligibility:**

- a. **Cameras For Girls** can accept international gifts from individuals, corporations, or organizations, regardless of location, unless the funds are known to come from a country that deals in arms and/or drugs, as contravened by the Hague.



- b. **Non-Profit Status:** **Cameras For Girls** does not hold non-profit status in the US or UK. Therefore, donors should be made aware that their contributions may not be tax-deductible in those jurisdictions.
2. **Acknowledgment:**
 - a. While **Cameras For Girls** cannot issue tax receipts for international donations, we are committed to acknowledging and expressing gratitude for all contributions in writing.
3. **Use of Funds:**
 - a. All international gifts will be used to further the mission and objectives of **Cameras For Girls** per our programs and projects, and unless directed by the donor, all funds will be placed in the general fund.
4. **Currency and Payment Method:**
 - a. **Cameras For Girls** accepts international gifts in various currencies. Donors are encouraged to make contributions through secure and reputable institutions or via our partnership with Global Giving, which receives funds and issues tax receipts on our behalf.
5. **Legal Compliance:**
 - a. Donors are responsible for complying with the local laws and regulations regarding charitable giving in their respective countries and those in Canada. The Executive Director is responsible for ensuring that fund transfers are being made with the banking regulations in mind.
6. **Communication:**
 - a. **Cameras For Girls** will maintain open communication with international donors to ensure transparency and clarity regarding the use of their contributions.
7. **Refusal of Gifts:**
 - a. **Cameras For Girls** reserves the right to refuse any international gift that may compromise our values, mission, or legal standing.
8. **Policy Review:**
 - a. This policy will be periodically reviewed and updated to align with any laws or organizational structure changes.

Procedure for Accepting International Gifts:

1. **Contact:**
 - a. Prospective international donors should contact amina@camerasforgirls.org at **Cameras For Girls** for information on making a contribution. If a board member



is approached for an international gift, it must be brought forward to the Executive Director and the Board Chair so a decision can be made about the offer.

2. **Due Diligence:**

- a. **Cameras For Girls** will conduct due diligence to ensure the donation aligns with our mission and values.

3. **Acknowledgment:**

- a. Upon receipt of the donation, **Cameras For Girls** will promptly acknowledge the gift and express gratitude to the donor.

