

The Venus Project Donation Policy

Thank you for considering donating to The Venus Project, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. Your generosity enables us to further our mission and make a positive impact. We greatly appreciate your support.

As a donor, we want you to be fully informed about our donation policy and the principles guiding the utilization of funds. It is important to us that you understand the nature of your donation and have clarity regarding its impact.

The following donation policy applies to any and all donations unless otherwise specified by The Venus Project at the time of donation. **The Venus Project assumes that any donation signifies the donor has thoroughly read and understood this policy. For clarifications on the details of the policy, please contact: meadows@thevenusproject.com**

Types of Donations Accepted

We gratefully accept the following types of donations:

1. **Monetary Donations:** Cash, checks, and electronic funds transfers (EFTs).
2. **In-Kind Donations:** Goods or services that are directly relevant to our mission.
3. **Securities:** Stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and other marketable securities.
4. **Planned Giving:** Bequests, trusts, annuities, retirement accounts, life insurance, and other planned gifts.
5. **Real Estate:** Property and land, subject to evaluation and approval.
6. **Cryptocurrency:** Tokens, Stablecoins, NFTs, or other.
7. **Equity:** Corporate shares, LLC interests.
8. **Personal property:** vehicle, art, furniture, equipment, or other.
9. **Intellectual property:** patents, trademarks, copyrights, licenses, or other.
10. **Personal finances:** bank accounts, certificates of deposit, treasury bills.
11. **Endowments:** restricted or unrestricted.
12. **Other Assets:** As deemed appropriate by our board of directors.

We encourage you to consider automatically recurring donations and to check with your employer about if they offer matching donations on your behalf.

Donation Process

1. **Monetary Donations:**
 - **Online:** Donations can be made via our website [URL] using a secure payment processor.

- **Mail:** Checks can be mailed to 21 Valley Lane, Venus, FL 33960. Please make checks payable to The Venus Project.
 - **In-Person:** Donations can be made at our office located at 21 Valley Lane, Venus, FL 33960 during business hours.
2. **In-Kind (goods and services) Donations:**
 - Contact us at 1-863-465-0321 or meadows@thevenusproject.com to discuss the donation and arrange delivery or pickup.
 3. **Securities and Other Assets:**
 - Donors should contact Roxanne Meadows at 1-863-465-0321 or meadows@thevenusproject.com to discuss the donation and receive instructions on transferring the assets.

Acknowledgment of Donations

1. **Receipt:** Donors will receive a written acknowledgment for their donation, which will include the amount (or description of in-kind donation) and the date of receipt.
2. **Recognition:** Donors may be recognized in our annual report, on our website, or through other appropriate means, unless they request anonymity.

Use of Donations

1. **Restricted Donations:** If a donor wishes to restrict their donation to a specific program or purpose, they must indicate this at the time of the donation. We will honor these restrictions as long as they align with our mission and goals.
2. **Unrestricted Donations:** Unrestricted donations are the default form of donation and will be used where they are most needed, as determined by our board of directors and executive team.
3. **Transparency:** We commit to using all donations responsibly and effectively to advance our mission. Financial statements and annual reports are available on our website or upon request.

Disclaimers

Scope of mission

To enable The Venus Project to succeed in the long term, we maintain a mission of broad scope.

Purpose of Donations

Your donations are crucial to sustaining our operations and implementing various projects and initiatives aligned with our mission. When you make a donation, you are supporting our overall goals of education, media production, research, publishing, developing technology, and city design.

Restricted Funds

The Venus Project limits its reliance on restricted funds in order to maintain operational flexibility. Any given fundraiser shall be assumed to contribute to The Venus Project's general unrestricted funds unless otherwise explicitly excepted.

Discretion of Directors

The allocation and utilization of donated funds are ultimately determined by the discretion of The Venus Project's board of directors, officers, and executives. Although funds may be raised for a specific project at a point in time, this allocation may be subject to change at the discretion of the directors if they deem it wise to reallocate funds to a project that will yield better results for the overall mission.

Trust in Directors' Judgment, Acknowledging Limits and Risks

By donating to us, you acknowledge that your contribution represents faith in the judgment of our board of directors. Our actions are pursued in good faith toward a higher purpose, and we are committed to utilizing donated funds responsibly and effectively. The board of directors remain vigilant for possible scams, such as through due diligence and background checks; however, it must be understood that even the most cautious can be deceived. When hiring contractors or outsourcing work, we will take reasonable steps within our capability to ensure funds are expended to reputable parties, but those donating should consider that unforeseen circumstances may arise in which malicious actors defraud our resources.

Budgeting in the Best Interest of the NPO

The allocation and utilization of donated funds are budgeted as deemed in the best interest of the purpose of The Venus Project as a whole and with attention to the long term. Directors carefully assess the needs of the organization, the feasibility of proposed projects, and the impact on our mission when making decisions regarding fund allocation.

Flexible Utilization of Funds

While donors may elect to support a particular purpose, such as a specific project or program, it is important to note that circumstances may arise where the original intent proves unviable or too early to implement. In such cases, the board of directors reserves the right to repurpose funds towards alternative projects or initiatives that align with our mission. The repurposing of funds will be announced upon the initiation of the alternative endeavor.

Updates at Director's Discretion

Specific updates regarding the allocation and utilization of general funds will occur at the discretion of our board of directors if and when relevant to advancing The Venus Project's mission at the time of reallocation or when utilization is substantial to report.

Financial Disclosure

As a donor, you acknowledge that there will not necessarily be updates regarding exactly when, on what, and how much of your donation was spent other than according to annual financial statements or with the deliberate exception of project specific budgets. **If you wish for your donation to be used in a specific way and tracked accordingly, you must refrain from using the general donation button on The Venus Project's website and inquire to suggest a specific purpose.**

Understanding the Risk

The Venus Project operates activities in sectors of high risk. Just as in the world of investment, some donations may be spent on projects that fail. This is always a part of the risk associated with supporting any cause of large scope and scale. We appreciate your understanding and continued support despite these potential challenges.

No Strings Attached

Donations do not buy control over the mission or activities of the organization. Your donation to The Venus Project is given as a 'gift' with no strings attached. It is important to clarify that your contribution is not an investment, and there should be no expectation of financial return or reward for your donation.

Acknowledgment of Donations

Upon receiving your donation, we will provide an acknowledgment, either through a formal receipt for donations under \$200 and a thank-you letter for donations at or above \$200. If you have specific requirements regarding acknowledgment or recognition of your donation, please feel free to communicate them to us at the time of your donation.

Tax-Deductible Contributions

The Venus Project is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, and donations made to us may be tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. We encourage you to consult with your tax advisor for specific guidance regarding the deductibility of your contributions.

Donor Privacy

We respect the privacy of our donors and will not share or sell donor information. Donor contact information will be used only for communication purposes related to the nonprofit.

Amendments

This policy may be amended by the board of directors as needed to reflect changes in our operations or donor needs.

Contact Information

For questions or more information about our donation policy, please contact us at:

- The Venus Project Inc.
- 21 Valley Lane, Venus, Florida 33960
- 1-863-465-0321
- meadows@thevenusproject.com
- www.thevenusproject.com

Thank you for your generous support of The Venus Project. We are deeply grateful for your commitment to our cause and your trust in our organization. Your generosity enables us to continue making a meaningful difference.