

Donor Bill of Rights
Capital Area United Way

Adapted from the Association of Fundraising Professional's Donor Bill of Rights

Philanthropy is founded on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing essential to the quality of life. To assure philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the Capital Area United Way, we declare that all donors have these rights:

- I. To be informed of the mission of the Capital Area United Way, how the organization intends to use donated resources and its capacity to expend donations effectively for their intended purposes.
- II. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the board of the Capital Area United Way and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
- III. To have access to the Capital Area United Way's most recent financial statements.
- IV. To be assured their investments will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
- V. To receive appropriate acknowledgement, recognition and communications from Capital Area United Way.
- VI. To be assured that personal information is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by law.
- VII. To expect all relationships with individuals representing organizations of interest to the donor will be professional in nature.
- VIII. To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the organization or hired solicitors.
- IX. To understand the Capital Area United Way will not share its donor or other mailing lists with other organizations.
- X. To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful and forthright answers.