



Digital NEST

All nonprofit organizations require funding to achieve their goals. Corporate donations and sponsorships can be important sources of funding by which a non-profit organization can achieve its mission. Concerns can arise that accepting corporate funds may give the appearance of compromising the ethical integrity of an organization.

The Digital NEST Board of Directors has adopted a Corporate Donations Policy to safeguard against any such compromises by clarifying -for both potential donors and the community at large- the criteria used by Digital NEST in soliciting and accepting corporate funding.

Digital NEST Corporate Donations Policy

A. CORPORATE ELIGIBILITY

Digital NEST will gratefully accept monetary or in-kind donations from any business entity (“Corporation”) that meets the following eligibility criteria:

1. The Corporation’s donation is unrestricted, i.e., no conditions or requirements are being proposed by the Corporation that must be satisfied by Digital NEST to secure the donation. This does not preclude a Corporation from making a donation that is earmarked for a specific purpose or program activity.
2. The Corporation has not attempted to manipulate or influence the activities, policies, mission, and/or goals of Digital NEST or any of its programs.
3. The Corporation is not engaged in business activities that conflict with the fundamental mission of Digital NEST.

B. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In addition to the aforementioned eligibility criteria, potential conflicts of interest will be avoided by adherence to the following criteria for all corporate donations.

1. Donations will not be accepted in exchange for a position on the board or a committee of the board of DIGITAL NEST, nor will Digital NEST solicit funds in exchange for such positions.
2. Board members affiliated with a Corporation will recuse themselves from any vote related to Digital NEST’s consideration of a donation from or relationship with that Corporation.
3. No board member or person in a key staff position in Digital NEST may have a financial relationship with a potential corporate sponsor such that their personal financial interests or the financial interests of Digital NEST or its programs may be perceived to be or may actually be in conflict.

C. OPEN DISCLOSURE

1. Digital NEST will provide any corporate donor or potential corporate donor a copy of the Digital NEST Corporate Donations Policy prior to acceptance of the donation.
2. Digital NEST will post a copy of its Corporate Donations Policy on its website.