

Privacy Policy

Community Focus, a Project of the Tides Center is committed to preserving your privacy and safeguarding the personal and/or sensitive information you provide to us via any of our websites.

We reserve the right to modify this Privacy Policy from time to time. The date of the latest revision will be listed at the bottom of the Policy. We encourage you to check this page each time you visit one of our websites so that you will know if the Policy has changed since you last visited the site. Your use of our website indicates your acceptance to be bound by the terms of the Privacy Policy in effect as of the date of your use. If you do not agree to be bound by the terms of the Privacy Policy, do not use our website.

Our Collection of Personal Information

We do not collect personally identifiable information about individual users unless a user voluntarily provides such information to us. We store any information that you provide, such as your name, mailing address or email address, using servers secure under standards of reasonable business practice. We may share your information with third party vendors who use your information for the sole purpose of fulfilling your request (e.g., charging your donation). Each of our vendors has agreed to keep your information confidential from disclosure to others. In addition we will cooperate with law enforcement, which may include disclosing some of your personal information if necessary. We will never sell any of your personal information to any third party. And we will never post any of your personal information online without your consent.

Use of Cookies

“Cookies” are small text files that facilitate a user’s access to and use of a website and allow a website operator to track usage and behavior with respect to its sites. We use cookies that automatically collect certain non-personal information about visitors to our websites, such as the browser and type of computer you are using, the website that referred you to us, the pages you view and the date and time that you view those pages. We collect this information on an aggregate basis, which allows us to improve our websites to make them more useful to our users. We do not use any of this information on an individual basis.

Protecting Children’s Privacy

We are concerned about the safety and privacy of children online. Therefore, we do not and will not knowingly contact or collect personal information from children under 13. Our site is not intended to solicit information of any kind from children under 13. It remains possible, however, that we may receive information given to us by or pertaining to children under 13. If we are notified of this, as soon as we verify the information, we will promptly either obtain parental consent or delete the information from our servers. If you want to notify us of our receipt of information by or about any child under 13, please email us at sanderson@communityfocus.org.

Security

You may be able to purchase items or donate money via our websites. We use Electric Embers encryption to protect the transmission of information you submit to us via our secure forms. All online financial transactions are processed through a secure window hosted by Electric Embers, a leading provider of digital trust services and transactions. We have security measures in place to help protect against the loss, misuse or alteration of information within our control. Only employees with a need to know certain information to perform a specific task are granted access to personally identifiable information of our users. In addition, the servers that store sensitive information are kept in a secure environment.

Emails

You may sign up to receive email communications from us. These emails provide information that we think will be of interest to you, for example, information about new features or content on our sites, or calls for action on certain social justice issues. You can always “opt out” of receiving our online communications by following the unsubscribe

directions on any of the emails, or by sending us an email at sanderson@communityfocus.org asking that we delete you from our subscriber list.

Please recognize that emails are not secure against interception. Therefore, please do not send us sensitive or personal information via email.

Links to Other Sites

We provide links to other sites from our websites. We are not responsible for the privacy policies or the content on such sites. You should read the privacy policy of each website that you visit. This Privacy Policy applies only to information that we collect through our websites.

Public Information

There are forums on our website that—due to the nature of the forum and capacity of our website—include the warning that information entered is “public information.” Such information is treated differently for the purposes of this Privacy Policy as other information described herein. When we use the phrase public information, we mean that the information may be publicly viewable on or off of our website.

By entering your information in sections of our website that warn that the information entered will be public information, you are acknowledging that we do not guarantee that such information will remain private; furthermore, you are acknowledging that we are not responsible for any disclosure of personal information and any legal ramifications pertaining thereto. Indeed, because we are not guaranteeing that such information will remain private, you should expect that anyone, including people off of our website, will be able to see it.

Questions:

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