

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society Donor Privacy Policy

Information We Collect

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society (“The Society”) collects the following personal information from donors: the donated amount, postal address, telephone number, donor comments and email address. Compliance with tax laws in New York State and the United States necessitates the maintenance of contact information and the donation level of donors.

How We Use that Information

The Society is committed to safeguarding donor information and will never sell, trade or rent donor names or personal information with any other entity. Additionally, we will not send mailings to our donors on behalf of other organizations. The Society will use donor contact information, including email, telephone number and postal address, for the following purposes:

- Distribute receipts for donations
- Thank donors for their donation
- Inform donors about fundraising and other activities of The Society
- Internal analysis and recordkeeping
- Required reporting to relevant U.S. and State agencies
- Contact donors about changes to this policy

Donor Anonymity

The Society may choose to publish a list of donor names in the Society’s newsletter, other publications, or on the Society’s website. Donors have the option to remain anonymous by contacting the Society.

Financial Information

Access to donor financial information is restricted to professional staff members with a legitimate need to process this data. Under no circumstances will this data be shared with individuals, organizations or groups who do not have a legitimate need to access it.

Online Payment Processing

The Society exclusively utilizes online payment processing services renowned for world-class security and strong reputation. It is important to note that The Society neither stores nor has access to your credit card information, bank account numbers or other account data sent to these processing services.

Contact Us

If you have questions about this Donor Privacy Policy or if you wish to be removed from our e-mail/postal contact lists, please email donations@mohawkhumane.org, call 518-434-8128 ext. 208, or write to:

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society
Attn: Development
3 Oakland Avenue
Menands, NY 12204

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society Donor Bill of Rights

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society (“The Society”) subscribes to the Donor Bill of Rights.

Philanthropy is based on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing that is primary to the quality of life. To assure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the not-for-profit organizations and causes they are asked to support, we declare that all donors have these rights:

1. To be informed of the organization's mission, of the way the organization intends to use donated resources, and of its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.
2. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the organization's governing board, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
3. To have access to the organization's most recent financial statements.
4. To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
5. To receive appropriate acknowledgment and recognition.
6. To be assured that information about their donations is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by law.
7. To expect that all relationships with individuals representing organizations of interest to the donor will be professional in nature.
8. To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the organization or hired solicitors.
9. To have the opportunity for their names to be deleted from mailing lists that an organization may intend to share.
10. To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful and forthright answers.

The text of this statement in its entirety was developed by the American Association of Fund Raising Counsel (AAFRC), Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP), Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), and National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE).