Donor Transparency

Donors to The Patachou Foundation can have full faith that that their philanthropy and the merits of the organization's public charity status afford them this honesty:

I. To be informed of the organization's mission, how it intends to use donated resources, and its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.

II. 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.

III. To have access to the organization's most recent financial statements.

IV. To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.

V. To receive appropriate acknowledgment and recognition.

VI. To be assured that information about their donation is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by law.

VII. To expect that 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 allow their names to be deleted from mailing lists that an organization may intend to share.

X. To ask questions when donating and receive prompt, truthful, and forthright answers.

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