

For US donors: How to donate to Human Rights Measurement Initiative via The Gift Trust

The Gift Trust, a New Zealand registered charity and philanthropic trust (charity registration number CC40774), is helping Human Rights Measurement Initiative with their international fundraising mechanisms to enable them to receive funding for their important work.

The Gift Trust can receive tax deductible donations from US tax residents and these can be tagged for HRMI. The Gift Trust receives US donations via our partnership with the US donor-advised fund RSF Social Finance. The account is called 'Friends of The Gift Trust NZ'. Any donations to it will receive a US tax receipt and will be eligible for US tax benefits. Donations can be made in cash, shares or securities.

For administration reasons, the minimum donation that donors can give is US\$1,000.

How to donate by credit or debit card

1. Go to <https://rsfsocialfinance.org/give/give-to-rsf-projects/give-today-projects>.
2. Select 'Friends of The Gift Trust' from the drop-down menu.
3. Enter the amount you'd like to donate, and click 'Donate Now'.
4. On the next page, enter your contact and payment information, and note in the 'Additional information' field that you'd like your donation to go to Human Rights Measurement Initiative.
5. Click 'Submit' to complete your donation.

How to donate by wire transfer or stock gift

To donate by wire transfer or stock gift, please fill out RSF's Contribution Transmittal Form (<https://thegifttrust.org.nz/rsf-form>), then instruct your bank or broker to make your transfer to the relevant account listed on the form. (Under 'Fund Name', enter 'Friends of The Gift Trust NZ, to benefit HRMI!') Filling out the form will ensure that your gift is received and receipted correctly.

Fees

Two sets of fees apply:

1. The Gift Trust will charge a fee to cover our due diligence on HRMI and to receive and transfer the funds.
2. RSF Social Finance will charge a fee to receipt the donations in the US and transfer them to The Gift Trust.

The Gift Trust fee structure

Donation amount (NZD once converted)	The Gift Trust fee
Up to \$99,999	3% of the donation value
\$100,000 to \$499,999	2% of the donation value
Over \$500,000	1% of the donation value

RSF Social Finance fee structure

RSF will charge 2.6% *per annum* of the funds held in the account. For example, if the funds are held for 1 month by RSF before being transferred to NZ, you will only pay 1/12th of 2.6%. There is also a transaction fee of US\$600 per disbursement (split between all the donations transferred in that disbursement).

Example fee calculations

Donation amount (NZD once converted)	RSF Social Finance fee			The Gift Trust fee		Total fees
	% per annum	Number of months funding is held before transfer	RSF fee	%	The Gift Trust fee	
\$20,000	2.6%	2	\$87	3%	\$600	\$687*
\$100,000			\$433	2%	\$2,000	\$2,433*
\$500,000			\$2,167	1%	\$5,000	\$7,167*

*Plus a pro-rata share of the quarterly USD \$600 transaction fee

For more information

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