



NorthBridge Gift Acceptance Policy

Whereas NorthBridge College Success Program (NorthBridge) solicits gifts, contributions, and grants (“gifts”) to serve students with learning differences as they transition to, persist, and succeed in their educational and vocational endeavors in order to achieve our vision of making college possible, goals attainable, and a meaningful, fulfilling future a reality for college, vocational, and high school students with learning difference; and

Whereas there could be potential costs, conflict, controversy, or reputational harm to NorthBridge if certain gifts are solicited, received, or accepted; therefore

Be It Resolved that the NorthBridge board of directors adopts the following gift acceptance policy:

- ***When assessing whether to solicit or receive gifts, or accept unsolicited gifts, NorthBridge will consider:***
 - Whether the gift would advance the mission and vision of NorthBridge;
 - Whether the solicitation, receipt, or acceptance of the gift would present a real or perceived conflict of interest;
 - Whether there is compatibility between the intent of the donor and NorthBridge’s use of the gift;
 - Whether soliciting, receiving, or accepting the gift could cause potential harm to NorthBridge’s reputation;
 - Whether the primary beneficiary of the gift is NorthBridge or the donor;
 - If the solicitation, receipt, or acceptance of the gift would be consistent with NorthBridge’s past practices;
 - Whether the form of the gift would cause undue expense to or difficulty for NorthBridge to liquidate;
 - Whether the gift carries any restrictions on NorthBridge ; and
 - Any other factors that might be relevant to the circumstances of the gift.
- ***Examples of gifts that NorthBridge routinely accepts include cash (typically checks sent by mail or donations made online), publicly- traded securities, distributions from retirement accounts, and proceeds from estates and planned giving.***
- ***NorthBridge reserves the right to refuse any gift based on our sole determination of these considerations and at our sole discretion.***

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