

CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS IN MICHIGAN

To solicit donations and grants in Michigan, your organization may be required to register for a License to Solicit. The Capital Region Community Foundation provides this information to grant applicants as a courtesy and to fulfill our due diligence requirements. This information and forms can be found on the Attorney General's website on the **Charitable Trusts** page.

Does my organization need to be registered to solicit in Michigan?

Registration is typically required for all 501(c)(3) organizations that <u>solicit</u> or <u>receive</u> contributions in excess of \$25,000 in any given year. However, if an organization pays anyone, whether an employee of the organization or an outside contractor, for fundraising services, the charity needs to be registered even if it solicits or receives less than \$25,000.

Exemptions: There are exemptions for some types of organizations. Some examples are:

- Organizations that solicit or receive less than \$25,000 in a 12-month period and pay no individuals (even employees) for fundraising services of any kind
- Churches and religious organizations
- Governmental entities
- Michigan educational institutions
- Veterans' organizations that are chartered by the U. S. Congress
- Licensed Michigan hospitals and their foundations and auxiliaries
- Organizations that are licensed by the Michigan Department of Human Services to serve children and families, such as day care facilities

The first step for a charity in determining whether it needs to register is to submit a **Request for Exemption Form**. The Request for Exemption Form indicates whether additional information or other forms are necessary.

For more information, forms and exemptions, visit the Attorney General's website Charitable Trusts page at: https://www.michigan.gov/ag/about/charitable-trust