

Privacy Policy for MHG Compassion Scholarship Program

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Introduction

At MHG Charitable Foundation, we are committed to protecting your privacy. This Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, and protect your personal information as part of the **MHG Compassion Scholarship Program**.

By submitting an application for the scholarship, you agree to the collection and use of your information in accordance with this policy. Please review this document carefully to understand how your personal data will be handled.

1. Information We Collect

We collect the following types of personal information as part of the scholarship application process:

- **Personal Identifiable Information (PII):** Name, address, phone number, email address, Parent/Guardian name/email/phone number.
- **Educational Information:** Academic transcripts, grade level, school name (including county/city), GPA and your specified eligibility criteria.
- **Letter of Recommendation**
- **Financial Information:** Family income or financial need documentation (if applicable).
- **Essay/Creative Submissions:** Essays, creative pieces (art, stories, etc.).
- **Parental Consent:** For students under the age of 18, we will collect parental consent to process the application and related data.

2. How We Use Your Information

The personal information we collect is used for the following purposes:

- To evaluate and process your application for the **MHG Compassion Scholarship**.
- To communicate with you about the scholarship status and related matters (e.g., deadlines, award information).

- To inform you of future scholarship opportunities or follow-up resources (optional).
- To comply with legal requirements and obligations.

We will not use your personal information for any purpose other than the ones described in this policy without obtaining your consent.

3. How We Protect Your Information

We take the security of your personal information seriously. We implement reasonable measures to safeguard your data, including:

- Leverage cloud technology to well protect your data
- Restricted access to your personal information to only those who need it for application evaluation or scholarship administration.

Despite these efforts, no method of data transmission or storage is completely secure. If you have concerns, please contact us.

4. Sharing Your Information

We do not sell or rent your personal information to third parties. However, we may share your data in the following situations:

- **With trusted third parties** who assist us in evaluating and administering the scholarship program, such as advisors or committee members.
- **As required by law**, such as to comply with a legal process or government request.
- **With your consent**, including for promotional purposes (e.g., sharing your story or image for marketing).

5. Data Retention

We will retain your personal information for as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes outlined in this policy or as required by law. If your application is not successful, we may retain your information for future scholarship opportunities unless you request its deletion.

6. Your Rights

You have the following rights regarding your personal data:

- **Right to Access:** You may request a copy of the personal data we hold about you.

- **Right to Rectification:** You may request that we correct any inaccurate or incomplete personal information.
- **Right to Erasure:** You may request that we delete your personal data in certain circumstances.
- **Right to Restriction:** You may request that we restrict the processing of your personal data.
- **Right to Withdraw Consent:** You may withdraw your consent for data processing at any time, where applicable.
- **Right to Authorized Agent Request:** You may authorize an agent to submit privacy-related requests on their behalf. To verify the request, we may require proof of authorization.

To exercise any of these rights, please contact us at info@mhgcharitablefoundation.org

7. Changes to This Privacy Policy

We may update this Privacy Policy from time to time. Any changes will be posted on this page, and the updated policy will be effective from the date of posting. We encourage you to review this policy periodically.

8. Contact Us

If you have any questions or concerns about this Privacy Policy or how we handle your personal data, please contact us:

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