The Giving Account® lets you support most qualified 501(c)(3) public charities, with a few exceptions, with a minimum grant amount of just $50.

Here's the grant recommendation process (you can also recommend a grant using our iOS app):

1. Log in to your Giving Account.
2. Click the “Make a grant” button.
3. Click the “Find a charity” button or browse the charities you’ve supported previously.

4. Enter the amount, how the grant should be used, acknowledgment details, and whether it is a one-time, future, or recurring grant recommendation.

a. Can’t find what you’re looking for after clicking the “Find a charity” button? Scroll to the bottom of that page and click “Recommend a charity.” Enter the Tax ID number (use the Guidestar tool to look it up) to help us identify it.
5. Allocate funds from your Giving Account. Select from the pools in which your contributions are invested and enter the amount to draw from each pool.

6. Confirm the details of your grant recommendation and submit.
Frequently Asked Questions

How do I know my favorite charity is eligible?
Find out if it is a 501(c)(3) public charity by checking the charity’s website, Guidestar, or by calling them directly.

What exactly does 501(c)(3) mean?
501(c)(3) refers to the tax-exempt status of a nonprofit organization as qualified under IRS rules. Because 501(c)(3) organizations are charitable in nature, they are allowed to receive tax-deductible donations from donors like you.

Can I support international charities?
You have two options for using your Giving Account to support causes outside the U.S. You can recommend a grant to an American charity that works overseas, or you can recommend a grant to an American intermediary that will make a grant to your preferred organization for an additional fee. To learn more about our foreign charities options, visit our Charities you can support page.

How often do I have to recommend a grant?
A grant every two years is required to fulfill the minimum granting requirement. After two years in which no grants are distributed from a Giving Account, Fidelity Charitable® will grant 5% from the Giving Account balance to an IRS-qualified public charity approved by the Trustees of Fidelity Charitable®. Fidelity Charitable will make every effort to contact you regarding your inactive Giving Account.

Can I have a checkbook associated with my Giving Account?
All grant recommendations are subject to review and approval before issuing; therefore, checkbooks are not provided to donors, and Fidelity Charitable sends all grant funds directly to the charity grant recipients.

How is my information shared with recipient charities?
We encourage donors to provide their name and address to nonprofits with each grant they recommend. However, you may choose to grant partially anonymously or fully anonymously.