

Donor Privacy Policy

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The Virginia Historical Society has depended on the trust and support of its donors and members since 1831 to meet its mission of preserving, interpreting, and sharing the Commonwealth's rich past for current and future generations. Maintaining and strengthening this trust will always be of utmost importance to the historical society.

The historical society maintains a database of names and addresses of those persons who have supported us financially. We mail or distribute electronically publications, invitations, renewal notices and solicitations to our database in order to inform and to strengthen our financial security.

When donations are made to the historical society on behalf of an individual by a third-party, such as gift memberships, affinity programs, and others, donor information will only be used to process the donation and to service the membership.

The historical society will not trade, rent or sell its Donor List to any other organization or individual. This policy applies to donor information received by the historical society electronically, in written format or by oral communications. We will not send information unrelated to the historical society to our donors on behalf of other organizations.

The Vice President for Advancement approves any use of the Donor List.

Donor Recognition

The historical society proudly lists the names of contributors in its publications, online, and onsite. Names are listed without any other identifiably personal information and are only listed in categories of giving or in ranges of dollar amounts, not by a specific gift amount. Every donor is given the opportunity to be listed as anonymous. Donors in membership categories up to \$250 might not be listed by name.