



How Does ICF Add Value to the Organization You are Supporting?

ICF often receives questions about its fees. In addition to credit card transaction fees that the bank charges, the International Community Foundation charges a 7% gift fee that covers these highlighted services:

Best Practices in International Grantmaking: US, Foreign and State Government Regulations regarding Charitable Contributions

- ICF offers tax deductibility for donors that want to support an organization in Mexico, Latin America or the Caribbean. To maintain its 501c3 tax deductible status, ICF follows the highest standards in accounting, legal transparency, organizational procedures, and cost efficiency, as recognized by [Charity Navigator in 2017](#).
- Annual audit and tax preparation meets all U.S. standards for international grantmaking. These documents are available on [ICF's website](#) for donors and are available to our "friends of" funds when they are applying for funding from U.S. donors.
- ICF is registered in all 50 states with regard to corporate/nonprofit/charitable registries.
- ICF follows all foreign government regulations regarding charitable contributions coming from the U.S.

Timely Access to Gift and Donor Information

- All of our "friends of" funds have access to an online donation page that can be linked directly to their websites.
- Online access to organizational donor information for acknowledgement and ongoing communications. This portal follows donor intent with regard to donor privacy.
- Quarterly fund statements with all gifts, grants, fees, and expenses.

Ongoing Program and Organizational Assistance plus Customer Support

- Financial transaction fees (wires, ACH payments, bank fees) are covered by ICF.
- Continual opportunities for professional development training and organizational capacity-building at no cost to the organization.
- ICF staffing support: timely gift acknowledgement, legacy/gift planning, translation services, proposal/report writing support, budgeting, donor outreach and strategic communications.

ICF offers many more benefits to our grantees, "friends of" funds, and donors. Please contact Lety Martinez at lety@icfdn.org for more information about how ICF works with our organizational partners in Mexico, Latin America, and the Caribbean.