

Privacy & Terms

The Independence Fund is committed to respecting and protecting your privacy rights when visiting any page of our Website, www.independencefund.org. To protect your Personal Information, The Independence Fund has developed the guidelines outlined below. These guidelines explain the kinds of information our website collects, how it is used, the conditions under which it is made available to third parties, and more. Your use of the website indicates your acceptance of and agreement with the terms and conditions of this Privacy Policy.

Information collected

While visiting the website, we may ask you to provide information that personally identifies you for purposes of interacting with the website. Such personal information may include, but is not limited to, your name, phone number, street and e-mail address, age and gender. On any page that collects personal information, we will specifically describe what information is required in order to provide you with the product or service or enter you in the program that you have requested. This personally identifiable data is collected by means of form interfaces on our website, into which the user must voluntarily enter the information requested. We may also collect personally identifiable information through surveys, contests, emails we receive from you and your other interactions with our website. You may browse the website without registering or providing any personally identifying information.

IP Addresses

This website also collects anonymous data that is not indicative of and cannot be traced to an individual without the cooperation of their Internet Service Provider. This data includes information about the user's remote IP address, referral data (which page "linked" to the present request) and the browser software's user-agent string. This information is accepted passively from the HTTP headers that are sent from the user when requesting any file from the server. Fiesta® San Antonio Commission does log IP addresses for systems administration, troubleshooting purposes and to determine website usage.

Cookies

The website uses "cookies", which are elements of data that a website can send to your browser, which may then be stored on your system. This element of data is a piece of text, not a program. The website can only access the information from a cookie sent by the website. We cannot access other cookies sent by other websites or the information contained therein.

Additionally, we cannot learn your e-mail address or any other information about you through the use of a cookie. The only way we would learn such information is if you voluntarily submit that information to us, for example, through a registration system.

Why do we use cookies?

The Independence Fund uses cookies to track usage of the website and further personalize your experience when you are visiting. By tracking usage, we can best determine what features of the website best serve the users. Overall, the use of cookies helps to give you a more personalized experience at the website. The information is used to keep our website fresh and relevant to you, the user. Cookies also allow you to avoid retyping your e-mail address on the website. The information stored in a cookie is used to allow us to personalize your experience on the website.

Can I decline accepting cookies?

You may decline to accept cookies sent by the website by selecting an option on your browser to reject cookies. However, some portions of the website may require cookies in order to provide you with the full set of features offered. Cookies enable our server to know that you are a registered user. In addition, our registration system may require that you accept the cookies from the website in order to access that portion of the website.

Use of personal information

We believe in protecting your privacy and will not share personal information with third parties outside of The Independence Fund, except as described in this Privacy Policy. We believe that we can enhance your experience on our Website with the information you share with us. We use personal information about you to statistically analyze website usage, to improve our content and product offerings and to personalize the website's content, layout, and services.

We also may use your personal information, such as information provided through registration forms, to contact you regarding products and/or services that may be of interest to you, to respond to an inquiry from you regarding the information that we have collected, and to respond to your comments.

The Independence Fund may disclose aggregated user statistics in order to describe our services to partners, other third parties, our corporate partners, and for other lawful purposes. For example, we may provide our partners with aggregate information about our users, such as statistics regarding the number of website users that view specific pages. We will not share personal data with any third party without direct consent, provided through follow-up

correspondence. This follow up will be done individually and based on a number of factors.

We have today, and will in the future, have arrangements with third party service providers, such as credit card processors, shipping companies, and fulfillment services, other third-party vendors, or any partner who assists in the operations and/or administration of this website. When you sign up for a service we offer on the Website, we may be required to share personal information with that service provider in order to provide the service. These third party providers are not permitted to retain or use personal information for any purpose unrelated to providing the service.

We reserve the right to disclose personal information when needed to comply with the law or a legal process, cooperate with investigations of purported unlawful activities, to identify persons violating the law, to investigate or assist in investigations incident to misuse or abuse of this website.

Opting out

As part of your experience on our website, you may receive communications from us related to services that might interest you. While we believe these services will enhance your experience at our website, you will at all times be able to opt out from receiving these communications, by specifically opting out of these services. To opt out of receiving these emails, please send an email to info@independencefund.org, describing that you would like to opt out of this. Should you decide to opt out, you will not receive any correspondence unless:

- You have registered for one of our services
- There is an issue processing a registration or donation form
- We are in specific need of information regarding a specific service
- You reach out to The Independence Fund with a question or comment
- We are sending you tax information

Party collecting the information

Information entered by website visitors is retrieved directly by The Independence Fund:

The Independence Fund
PO Box 680370
Charlotte, NC 28216

This Privacy Policy only addresses the use and dissemination of information that the website collects from you. To the extent that you disclose any information to other parties, whether through, for example, social media, personal ads, or the like, through third party services or services offered on or through the website or through other websites throughout the internet,

different policies may apply and The Independence Fund shall not be responsible for the use or dissemination of such information.

Links to other materials

Third party sites linked to and from the site are not under the control of The Independence Fund, and we shall have no responsibilities or liabilities whatsoever for the content or privacy practices of any such linked site or any link or linking program at any time. The Independence Fund does not necessarily endorse companies (or related products or services) to or from which the website is linked. If you decide to access any of the third party sites linked to the website, you do so entirely at your own risk. The Independence Fund hereby disclaims any rights to trademarks, service marks, trade names, logos, copyrights, patents, domain names or other intellectual property interests of third parties.

Security

The Independence Fund maintains industry standard encryption technologies to ensure the security, integrity and privacy of the personal information that you provide through the website. Please keep in mind, however, that no data transmission over the Internet or any wireless network can be guaranteed to be 100% secure. As a result, we cannot guarantee the security of any information you transmit using our website, and therefore, it is important to remember that you transmit such information at your own risk. The Independence Fund does not assume responsibility for use or disclosure of your information that are the result of unauthorized or illegal access to our systems or to those of our vendors or partners.

Contacting Us

If you have any questions or comments about our Privacy Policy, please e-mail us at info@independencefund.org.

Effective Date and Changes

Understanding that Internet technologies are rapidly evolving, any changes to this policy will be promptly posted on this page, with an updated "effective date" posted below. The Independence Fund reserves the right to modify the terms of this policy at any time and in our sole discretion, by posting a change notice to this page. Your continued use of the website following our posting of a change notice will constitute binding acceptance of those changes. This Privacy Policy was last modified on March 21, 2016.