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What is a Matching Gifts Program?

The McAfee Matching Gift Program supports your interests and concerns by providing corporate funds to nonprofit organizations you support with personal cash contributions. Through the program, you may donate to an organization and request that McAfee make a matching contribution. Generally, if your contribution adheres to the McAfee Matching Gift Program's [guidelines](#), the request will be honored. However, McAfee reserves the right to approve or not approve any request.

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How do I submit a Request?

You may go to www.easymatch.com/mcafee and submit your request online.

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How does the online process work?

Requests submitted electronically at www.easymatch.com/mcafee will be reviewed and a confirmation email will be sent within 24 hours of the request. Once the submission is made, our vendor will contact your organization to verify the gift has been received. You will be receiving an email if the match request is approved or denied. Match funds are issued on a quarterly basis. You can manage your giving history by selecting the "Giving History" link to review the status of your match request.

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Who is responsible for the guidelines?

The [guidelines](#) for the program are established by the McAfee Community Involvement program. These guidelines are reviewed on an annual basis. If you have any suggestions or questions about the guidelines, please send community@mcafee.com.

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What is a 501(c)(3)?

A 501(c)(3) is a section of the Federal Tax Code, which establishes the criteria for tax-exempt charitable organizations. An organization must have 501(c)(3) status (be tax exempt) in order to receive matching funds; that not all 501(c)(3) organizations qualify for the program.

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When is my request matched?

McAfee matches approved gifts on a quarterly basis. Typically, recipient organizations receive the matching donation within the first six weeks after the completion of a quarter. McAfee matches on a quarterly basis because it is cost-effective to approve and pay these requests in batches. Many of the recipient organizations receive donations from several donors within the same period of time. Making one contribution to the recipient organization for several requests helps both McAfee and the recipient organization reduce overall program administrative expenses. This reduction in administrative expenses maximizes the portion of our budget allocated to matching gifts directly supporting philanthropic activities.

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Why isn't a donation to a "Charitable Gift Fund" eligible?

The McAfee Matching Gift Program only matches charitable donations made directly from an eligible donor's personal funds directly to an eligible recipient organization. A donation to a Charitable Gift Fund is not a donation to an organization because a Charitable Gift Fund is not an accredited institution.

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How is the annual donor limit determined?

The annual donor limit is determined by the actual date of your gift to the recipient organization. For example, if you make a donation of \$1,000 on Dec 31, 2006 to an eligible institution, and you submit your matching gift request in January 2007, the matching gift award (if approved) will be "charged" to your 2006 limit.

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Why do I have to submit separate requests for each gift made over a period of time to the same institution?

This provides for consistent records among the donor, recipient institution and McAfee, as well as complies with auditing standards. By requiring a form for every gift made, McAfee can ensure that every gift is matched appropriately. McAfee considers each gift a separate transaction and therefore must have appropriate documentation.

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Why is it necessary to provide the exact date of my gift?

McAfee requires the exact date of gift in order to determine if the gift is eligible to be matched. Our policy is not to match gifts that are more than a year old.

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Why does a school need to be accredited?

Accreditation is required because it is an equitable and cost effective way for us to ensure that the recipient schools meet and maintain a certain standard of quality.

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