**IMAGINEIF LIBRARIES**
**POLICY 1004: DONATIONS (OTHER THAN LIBRARY MATERIALS)**

The Library Board of Trustees welcomes gifts, grants, donations, devises, or bequests of property, real or personal and is authorized by law “to accept gifts, grants, donations, devises, or bequests of property, real or personal, from whatever source and to expend or hold, work, and improve the same for the specific purpose of the gift, grant, donation, devise, or bequest. These gifts, grants, donations, devises, and bequests shall be kept separate from regular library funds and are not subject to reversion at the end of the fiscal year.” MCA 22-1-309

In accordance with MCA 22-2-309, “the library board of trustees of every public library shall have the power to accept gifts, grants, donations, devises, or bequests of property, real or personal, from whatever source and to expend or hold, work, and improve the same for the specific purpose of the gift, grant, donation, devise, or bequest.”

The Library Board requires that all such gifts, grants, donations, devises, or bequests to ImagineIF Libraries must be received and accepted by the library director on behalf of the board of trustees.

Monetary gifts, grants, donations, and bequests designated by the donor for a specific purpose shall be placed in Fund 7055 (Gift Fund) to be used for their intended purpose, as long as such purpose does not violate applicable law or ImagineIF library policies. Monetary gifts, grants, donations, and bequests designated by the donor for a purpose that violates applicable law or ImagineIF policies will be returned to the donor.

Monetary gifts, grants, donations, and bequests not designated by the donor for a specific purpose or designated by the donor for a long-term capital improvement project, shall be placed in Fund 4020 (Library Depreciation Reserve Fund) shall be placed in Fund 7055 to be used for their intended purpose. If a monetary gift, donation or bequest exceeds $1,000 and if the intended purpose allows such transfer, the Library Board of Trustees may consider transferring it to the ImagineIF Libraries Foundation.

While all gifts are appreciated, some might not be appropriate for the library system. Gifts of non-library materials, such as collections, works of art, furniture, and equipment will be considered individually. Donors of such items may be referred to a more appropriate recipient. Gifts of library materials or donations intended for the purchase of library materials are covered in the Collection Development and Management Policy.

For gifts of library materials or donations intended for the purchase of library materials, please refer to Policy 5000 (Collection Development) (insert link to policy 5000)

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