

Boothbay Region Student Aid Fund Privacy Policy

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Boothbay Region Student Aid Fund ("**we**," "**us**," or "**our**") respects your privacy and knows that you care about protecting your personal information. This privacy policy identifies what information we collect from you when you use <https://www.brsaf.org/> (the "**Site**," including all subdomains) and the services made available on it, including your application, (the "**Services**") and explains how we may use or share that information. We will only use and share your information as described in this privacy policy.

We are committed to protecting the privacy of applicants, recipients, donors, and website users. We do not knowingly sell, rent, trade, or otherwise disclose personal information to third parties for marketing or commercial purposes. Information submitted to BRSAF is intended to be used solely for grant administration, donor stewardship, organizational nonprofit operations, and compliance with legal requirements.

This Site primarily operates as a nonprofit business website. This privacy policy applies to information we collect from you on the Site; through the Services; in email, text, and other electronic correspondence; through any mobile or desktop application through which we may communicate, and offline. This privacy policy does not apply to information that any third party collects from you after you follow links on the Site, including any advertising and affiliate links.

PLEASE READ THIS PRIVACY POLICY CAREFULLY. THE TERMS STATED IN THIS PRIVACY POLICY CONSTITUTE A BINDING LEGAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN YOU AND BOOTHBAY REGION STUDENT AID FUND. BY USING THIS SITE AND THE RELATED SERVICES, YOU UNCONDITIONALLY AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS STATED IN THIS PRIVACY POLICY, INCLUDING ALL EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY, AND WARRANT THAT YOU HAVE FULL AUTHORITY AND CAPACITY, LEGAL AND OTHERWISE, TO USE THE SERVICES. YOU MAY NOT ACCESS OR USE THIS SITE OR THE SERVICES IF YOU DO NOT AGREE TO ANY PART OF THESE TERMS. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO PERIODICALLY MAKE UPDATES TO THIS PRIVACY POLICY AS OUR PRACTICES CHANGE. YOUR CONTINUED USE OF THE SITE AFTER SUCH CHANGES CONSTITUTES YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THE CHANGES, SO PLEASE CHECK BACK PERIODICALLY FOR UPDATES.

1. Information We Collect

We may collect and use the following types of information from those who use the Site and the Services:

- Information by which you may be personally identified, such as your name, address, email address, phone number, social security number, mobile phone, and other information that may not be publicly available ("**personal information**").
- Information about you that does not identify you personally, including, but not limited to, items such as your demographic information (for example, your age, gender, race, religion, political affiliation, and household income), personal interests, online interactions, viewing data, requests for Services, communications with us and third parties, advertisement interactions, and any other activities when using the Site or the Services.
- We will collect personal information as submitted with your academic or school materials. This personal information will include items such as your school information, academic information, enrollment information, diploma information, FAFSA forms and financial information, and information on the educational program you are seeking a grant to attend.

We may combine information you provide us with other information about you that we obtain from your past use of the Site and Services and from other sources, such as the school. We may access other information about you collected from third parties, such as social media and marketing companies. We will treat any non-personal information that is combined with personal information as if it were all personal information.

a. Automatic Data Collection

We collect the following types of information from you as you use the Site through automatic data collection technologies:

- Log file information commonly collected by host servers when you visit websites, including internet protocol (IP) addresses, browser type, Internet Service Provider (ISP), date and time stamps, referring/exit pages, domain names, landing pages, pages viewed, click counts, and similar information. This information is not connected to personal information and is used for purposes of administering the Site, analyzing trends, tracking visitor activity, and collecting demographic data.
- Other details regarding your activities on the Site and Services, including your equipment, operating system, software, traffic information, and location data.

Our automatic data collection includes the use of the following technologies:

- **Cookies.** A "cookie" is a small piece of data that is stored on a visitor's hard drive in order to store information about visitor preferences and activities on the Site. We use this information to optimize the experiences of our visitors. For instance, a cookie can help us identify you when you return to the Site in order to save you time. In the event that our business partners, affiliates, or advertisers on the Site use cookies, we will not have access or control over such cookies. However, any use of cookies will not relate to any personally

identifiable information about you. You may also choose to refuse to accept cookies by configuring the appropriate setting on your browser. However, doing so may prevent you from being able to access parts of the Site or Services and may prevent the Site from functioning properly.

- **Google Analytics.** We may use Google Analytics or similar services to collect non-personal information from you regarding your use of the Site. Google Analytics is a web analytics service offered by Google, Inc. that mainly uses cookies to report on your interactions on the Site and analyzes how you use the Site. For more information on Google Analytics, including how to set up privacy controls on how Google Analytics collects your information, please see the help article, [Safeguarding your data](#).

b. How We Respond to Do Not Track Signals

We do not track visitors' activities over time or across third-party websites and therefore do not respond to Do Not Track (DNT) signals. However, many third-party websites track your browsing activities in order to tailor advertisements and other content to your interests. If you do not wish to be tracked in this manner, then you should configure your browser settings appropriately.

2. How We Use Your Information

We are the sole owners of information collected from visitors on this Site. We will not sell or rent your information to third parties. We use information collected from you or about you, including personal information, for the following purposes:

- To administer the Site and enforce our rules and policies.
- To provide access to Site content and Services to you.
- To customize Site content and Services according to your preferences.
- To improve the Site and Services.
- To research and analyze the usage data, preferences, and trends of our visitors.
- To diagnose technical or Service-related problems.
- To maintain security over your information, the Site, and its contents.
- To research and analyze our target demographics.
- To fulfill any requests for information, products, or Services.
- To contact you regarding Services we provide you.
- To carry out our responsibilities and enforce any contracts or agreements between you and us.

- For any other use as we may indicate at the time you provide the information.
- To fulfill any other purpose with your consent.

All information collected from visitors of the Site belongs to us, whether or not such information is personal information, information you volunteer, or information passively collected about you. As such, such information may be subject to transfer to a new owner in the event of our bankruptcy, sale, or liquidation.

3. How We Share Your Information

We may share personal information and other information that we collect as follows:

- With Boothbay Region High School, including the guidance office, but only to the extent to confirm that a student has or has not completed an application with us. We will not share personal details with the high school.
- With our trusted employees, contractors, business partners, service providers, suppliers, vendors, and other third parties that support us, which may include sending you emails on our behalf; analyzing your activities and interactions on the Site in order to make improvements to the Site, Services, and experiences of our visitors; and providing support to the Site, the Services, our operations, or fulfilling your requests. These third parties may only use personal information in order to provide such support and are contractually required to maintain the confidentiality of your information. For example, we may share personal information with credit card processing companies in order to bill visitors for goods or services.
- With a successor, or other third party due to a merger, restructuring, reorganization, or other transfer or disposition of Boothbay Region Student Aid Fund or our assets, operations, including, but not limited to, in the event of a sale, bankruptcy, dissolution, or similar proceeding. In such event, we will provide you with prior notification if your information will become subject to a different privacy policy.
- In response to court orders, subpoenas, or legal processes, such as requests from government regulatory or law enforcement agencies; to defend, pursue, or participate in legal actions or proceedings or exercise a legal right; to take precautions against actual or potential liabilities; to investigate or respond to potential or suspected illegal activities, fraud, or threats to the Site, its visitors, or the property or physical safety of any person; to enforce or investigate violations of our rules; or as otherwise permitted or required by law. We reserve the right to dispute any request from a government or law enforcement agency, or any request in connection with a legal action or proceeding, that we believe to be unlawful.
- With those that we so indicate at the time you provide the information.

- To third parties when we have your consent or when we have parental consent if the visitor is a minor.

We may store personal information in locations outside of our direct control; for instance, on servers or databases where the hosting provider is located, such as cloud storage. Additionally, we may share or sell aggregate information about our visitors that does not personally identify individuals with our partners, affiliates, advertisers, and other third parties without restriction. This information may include personal information that we have changed so that individuals are no longer personally identifiable. We may also share this information with third parties in order to analyze visitor data, activities, and usage of the Site or Services in order to make improvements to the Site, Services, and experiences of our visitors.

If you choose to participate in any promotions or similar events through the Site or Services, the rules or terms and conditions for such events may change the way we share your information with third parties. Please review the applicable rules or terms and conditions for all such events, if any, in which you participate.

4. Links to Other Websites

This Site may contain links to or from other websites. This privacy policy only applies to information collected on this Site. We are not responsible for other website's privacy practices. Please be aware of when you exit our Site using such links. We encourage you to review the privacy practices of all other websites you reach through links on our Site.

5. Opt-Out Procedures

As your privacy is important to us, we provide you with the following procedure(s) for opting out of future communications from us:

- **Email and SMS.** You may opt out of optional communications by clicking "unsubscribe," or a similar button, at the bottom of any emails we may send you and then following the online instructions, or by texting STOP in response to an SMS message. However, please note that it may not be possible to opt out of certain emails (for example, critical emails relating to your application or an award).
- **Questions.** Any visitor may contact us by email at brsaf.org@gmail.com or to ask questions about this policy.

Cookies. In order to opt out of cookies and other tracking technologies, you can configure or disable cookies in your browser settings. However, please note that doing so may cause parts of the Site to function improperly.

6. How to Access and Change Your Information

You are responsible for keeping any personal information you provide on the Site current. Please email us at brsaf.org@gmail.com to request access to view, correct, or delete information you have provided to us. We will make reasonable efforts to comply with your requests, if possible. If you provided personal information in connection with a specific Service we provide, you may have to update or delete that information by returning to that Service page. Any requests to delete your information are subject to our internal reporting and retention policies as well as any legal obligations that we may have.

7. Notice of California Privacy Rights

Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1798.83, California residents who use our Site may request certain information regarding any disclosure of personal information to third parties for their direct marketing purposes. To make this request, please email us at brsaf.org@gmail.com or use the contact information provided below at the end of this policy. Should you choose to email us, please include in the subject line or body of your email the phrase "California Customer Choice Privacy Notice" and specify the personal information you do not wish to be shared with third parties for their direct marketing purposes. Please allow up to thirty (30) days for a response.

8. Security

We take the security of your information seriously and have electronic, physical, and administrative safeguards in place, with the intent to comply with all regulations for your protection. These security measures seek to protect your information both online and offline from disclosure, alteration, or unauthorized use. However, please keep in mind that no transmission of data over the internet is guaranteed to be completely secure. Third parties may be able to access private communications illegally; for instance, through the use of hacking, malware, and viruses. As such, all information you transmit on the Site or Services is at your own risk. We are not responsible for instances where third parties circumvent our security measures without authorization, illegally or otherwise.

The information you submit to us is encrypted using Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) data encryption technology and is transmitted securely. You may verify this by locating "https" at the beginning of the address of the webpage or an icon of a closed lock in your browser. The computers and servers we use are also kept in a secure environment behind firewalls. We limit access to your information to those people that need to view it to perform necessary support tasks, including fulfilling your requests. We will promptly notify you in the event that personal information becomes compromised according to our notification procedures outlined below or as otherwise required by applicable law.

9. Children's Privacy

This Site does not knowingly collect personal information from children under 13 years of age. If you are under 13 years of age, do not use this Site or provide any personal information to us. We will delete all information that we discover is provided by children under 13 years of age without verification of parental consent. Please email us at brsaf.org@gmail.com if you believe we have received personal information from a child aged under 13 and we will use our best efforts to remove such information.

10. Changes to This Privacy Policy

We may update this privacy policy at any time. We will post any changes in our privacy practices on our Site with the date of the most recent revision indicated next to the "Effective" date near the top of the policy. If we make significant and material changes to the way we manage our visitors' personal information, we will notify you by email or by posting prominent notice on our Site. It is your responsibility to ensure we have your current email address and to periodically check this page for any updates.

11. Notification Procedures

We reserve the right to determine the most appropriate means of providing you with any notice required or advisable, in our sole discretion, under the terms of this privacy policy or as required by law. We may choose to provide notification by email, physical written notice, posting prominently on the Site, or through other conspicuous means.

12. Cross-Border Data Transfers

Your personal information may be processed and transferred to countries other than your own. Some of these countries may have different laws and practices regarding data protection than your country. By using the Site, you agree to such cross-border transfers of your personal information.

13. Contact Information

You may contact us as follows:

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